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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR COXLEY,
HENTON, AND WOOKEY CHURCHES

• SEPTEMBER 2026 •

WOOKEY DUCK RACE

Wookey's Annual Duck Race is taking place on **Friday 4th September** in Wookey Churchyard. Come along and have a fun-filled time!

The first race will start at **5:30 pm**, with local businesses kindly sponsoring races, including The Burcott Inn, The Pheasant, Ring O'Bells and The Hub. Plus, the Village Race will have a prize of local produce from Wookey Farm, Burcott Mill and Fenny Castle Vinyard. All money raised helps to support Wookey Church.



This year, there'll be a range of **new games** for adults and children to enjoy. Plus pizza, drinks, delicious cakes, chocolate tombola, bottle tombola and a raffle! Please bring cash!

There's still time to donate chocolate, bottles and homegrown items - see other article.



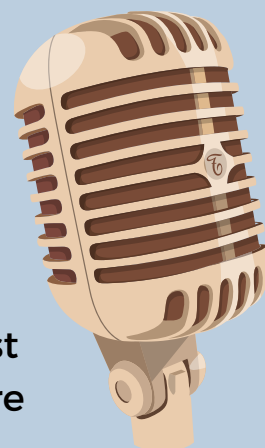
PLEASE PRAY FOR...

- Farmers who are facing difficult times due to extreme weather
- Children who are starting school, and teachers who are returning to school
- Wookey Duck Race - for good weather, lots of visitors, and a fun time!

MADBAND - 7PM FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER - HENTON CHURCH

Following great success at Wookey Village Hall and Wells Little Theatre, MADBand (five local middle aged dads, Andy Healey-Childs, John Carroll, Steve French, Steve Collinson and Graham Blunt) will perform your favourite boy band songs at Henton Church. They will be supported by Lyn Hynde and Polly Carroll singing popular hits. A fabulous evening is in store.

Tickets are available at £15, from vivianchalk@icloud.com or sharonjgillard@yahoo.co.uk and all proceeds will go to the Christ Church Henton Revitalisation fund and a dementia charity. There will be a cash/card bar.



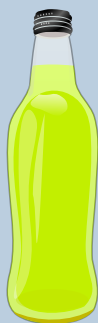


Bishop Fiona & Revd. Jan blessed Henton Church after the completion of Phase 1 of the Revitalisation project on Sunday 9th August.

WE NEED CHOCOLATE AND BOTTLES!

It's not too late to donate bottles or chocolate for the tombolas for Wookey duck Race!

Chocolate bars, boxes or tubs of chocolates, chocolate biscuits etc. Bottles of soft drinks, alcoholic drinks, shampoo, sauces etc.



Thursday 3rd September is the last day to drop these donations in to **The Vicarage** on Vicarage Lane, Wookey.



ALL TOGETHER COMMUNION - 10:30AM SUNDAY 20TH SEPT. - WOOKEY CHURCH

For St Matthew's Day, Wookey Church is inviting the congregations from Henton, Coxley and Godney to come and hold a special Holy Communion service. There'll be singing with organ music, prayers, Bible readings and a short talk.

Plus, we are delighted to be welcoming Bishop Fiona (Bishop of Taunton), who is going to be worshipping with us. You'll have a chance to meet her before and after the service.

TAIZÉ - 6:30PM SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER - COXLEY CHURCH

A quiet hour to refresh your inner self with Taizé style prayer and worship. We'll focus on 'Learning to Pray.' With readings, a beautiful selection of chants, silence and prayers – take time out for quiet reflection.



DONATE YOUR HOMEGROWN ITEMS

We're in need of homegrown items for the Homegrown Stall at Wookey Duck Race. It could be jams, preserves, honey, fresh fruit and vegetables, plants, herbs, relishes, or bread.

Please drop off perishable items at Wookey Church or 3 Knowle Lane on **Friday 4th September**. And drop off non-perishable items at 3 Knowle Lane by **Thursday 3rd September**.



ST MATTHEW'S DAY 2-4PM SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER - WOOCKEY CHURCH

Wookey Church is named after Saint Matthew's and we're inviting everyone to an Open Day.

Ever wondered what the view is from the top of the church tower? Join a free **tower tour**. Plus, there's a **self-guided Walking Tour** around the church showing some interesting historical features, or how about having a go at the **I-Spy Quest** for children?



Outside, we're holding a **treasure hunt** for children with nature activities to explore how the churchyard supports local wildlife.

Want to just relax? Come and enjoy tea and **cakes**, and listen to a performance by **Choirworks!**

All donations are welcome, to help us maintain this historic church, and benefit the local community.



MEDITATION GROUP (MON. 7TH SEPT & MON. 5TH OCTOBER)

Meditation is a universal spiritual tradition. We find it in all the great wisdom traditions of the human family. Meditation takes us to the depths of our being, to our true self and to the pure experience of God in the ground of our being.

Join us for meditation / silent prayer each month in Buxton's Community Room (left of Buxton's Close, Vicarage Road, Wookey, BA5 1JW). Please arrive at 2pm so that we can all be seated by 2:15pm, as there is a security lock on the door. There's a chance to enjoy a cuppa afterwards too. Contact Julie Moore on stuart.moore3@btinternet.com for more information.

COMING UP ...

- Harvest Festival - for all churches at Coxley Church - 10:30am Sunday 18th October, followed by a Harvest Bring & Share Lunch - from 11:45am
- Wookey Quiz & Puddings Night - 7pm Friday 30th October
- Coxley Quiz & Puddings Evening - 7pm Saturday 7th November



September Services

Sunday 6th

08:30 at Wookey - Quiet Holy Communion
09:00 at Henton - Sunday Breakfast
Village Hall
10:30 at Coxley - Holy Communion
18:30 at Henton - Evensong

Sunday 13th

09:00 at Henton - Holy Communion
10:30 at Wookey - Inspire
18:30 at Coxley - Taize

Sunday 20th

10:30 at Wookey - All Together
Communion

Sunday 27th

08:00 at Henton - BCP Holy Communion
10:30 at Wookey - Holy Communion
10:30 at Coxley - Sunday Brunch

Events:

Tues 1st, 8th, 15th

Friday 4th

Sunday 20th

19:00 at The - The Bible Couse
Vicarage, Wookey

17:00 at Wookey - The Duck Race

14:00 at Wookey - St Matthew's Day

Mondays:

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:

Thursdays:

16:30 at Henton - Afternoon Prayer

09:15 at Coxley - Morning Prayer

10:00 at Wookey - Midweek Holy
Communion

14:30 - 16:00 at - Coxley Community
Coxley Cafe (Warm Space)

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