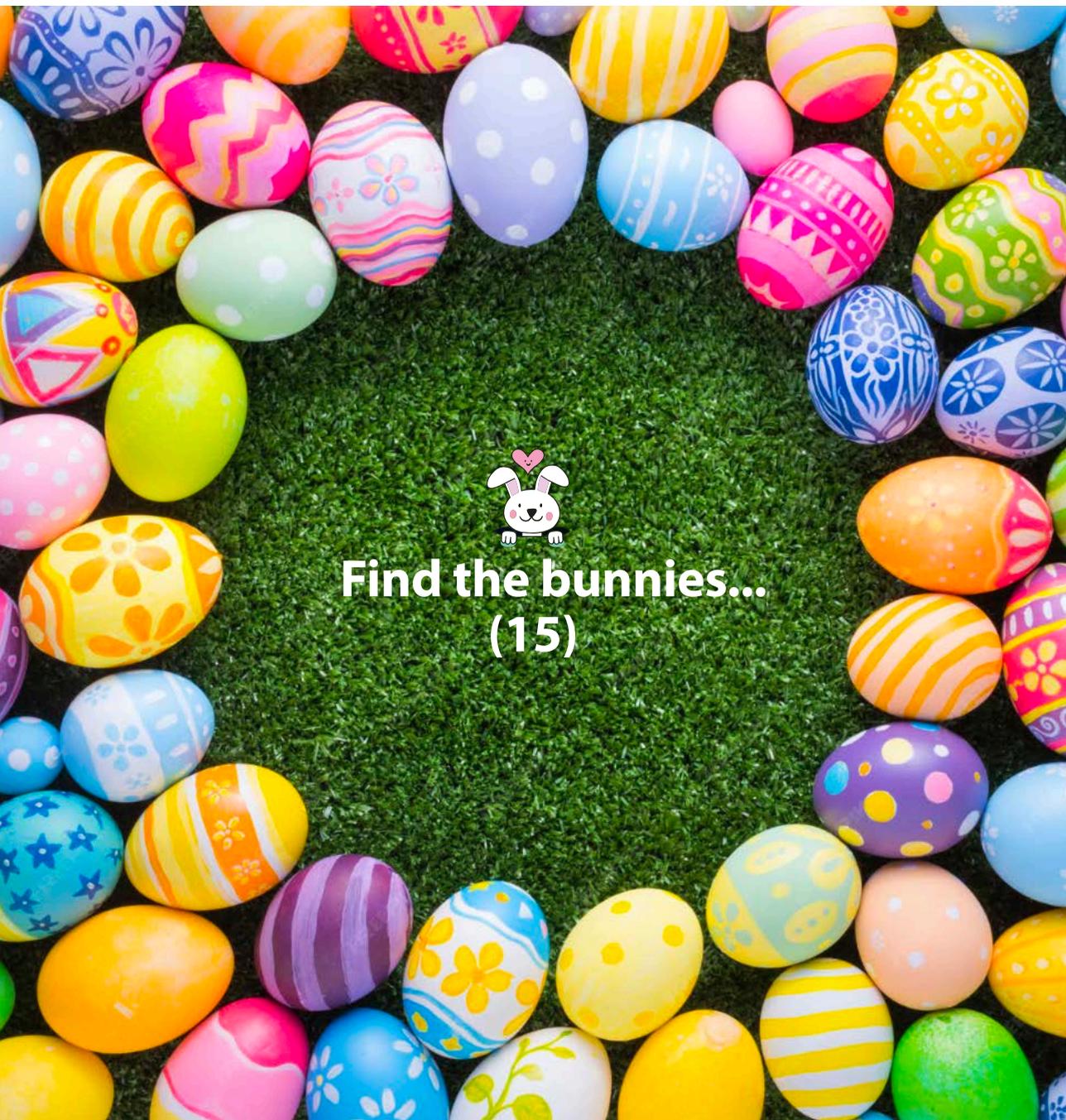


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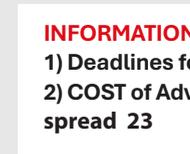
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Species of the month

## Bee-flies

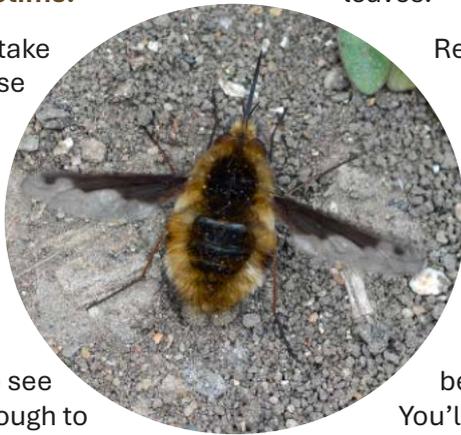
Peter Thompson, Barford.

**Have you seen a small, bumble bee-like insect that hovers in front of you for a few seconds, and then suddenly shoots off? Some people describe it as a tiny, fluffy, flying narwhale, as it has the insect equivalent of a narwhal tusk! This is however a proboscis (tongue) for sipping nectar, as opposed to a weapon for impaling unsuspecting victims.**

At a glance, it's easy to mistake one for a bee, however, these small furry creatures buzzing around you are actually flies. And they have a fascinating lifestyle.

If you head outside on a warm spring day, (April and May are the best months to see one) you might be lucky enough to spot a Dark-edged bee-fly, *Bombylius major*. Its high-pitched hum may catch your attention before you see it.

This is the most common bee-fly species in the UK. It's widespread across England, Wales and Scotland, occurring in urban gardens and city parks as well as in woodland and coastal areas.

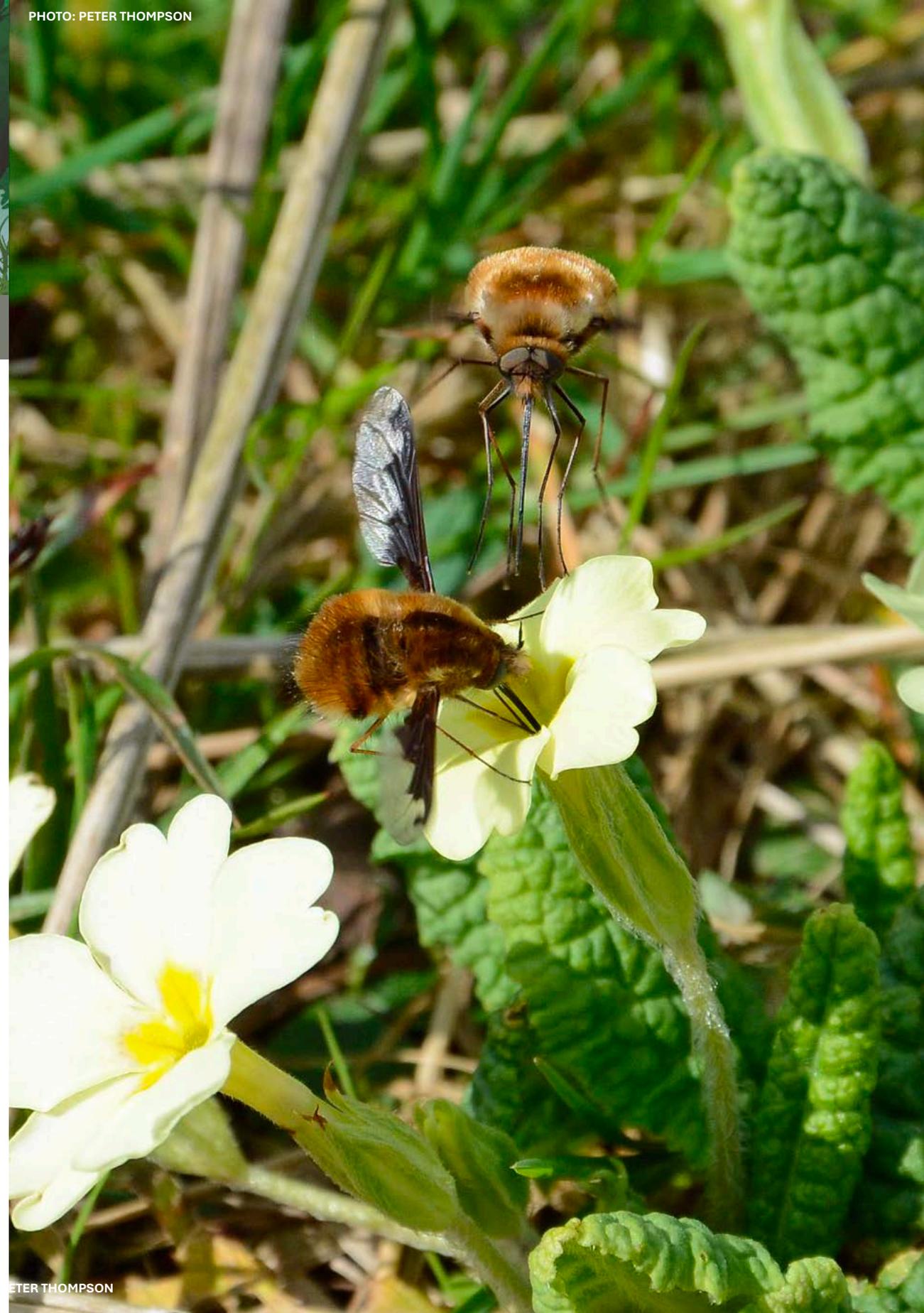


It's one of the earliest bee-flies to emerge. Having pupated over winter, Dark-edged bee-flies usually start to appear in March, but they don't often fly in temperatures less than 17C. When they aren't whizzing from flower to flower, seeking out nectar with their long proboscis, these sunseekers will often sunbathe on bare ground or dead leaves.

Resting with its wings pointing upwards, the Dark-edged bee-fly looks like a little stealth bomber. It has a dark, uneven band along the front of the wings.

Here in Wiltshire, you may also see a Dotted bee-fly, *Bombylius discolor*. You'll have to wait until this bee-fly is resting to see the lovely little dots on its wings.

Bee-flies are one of many insects that rely on mimicry for protection. Imitating the warning systems of another species is a great way to scare off potential predators, without needing to invest the energy into actually being harmful. This phenomenon is known as Batesian mimicry. Listen to a bee-



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fly in flight and you'll also hear how it buzzes just like a bee to enhance the effect.

Adult male bee-flies (you can tell the sexes apart as the males' eyes touch on top of the head, females' eyes are widely separated) perform courtship rituals to woo their ladies. A male will hover at heights of 2.5 metres and exhibit territorial behaviour such as darting at other males to warn them off and spinning at females to show off.

Once the female has mated, she will fly around looking for a solitary bee's nest. Solitary bees often create their nests in the ground, making the entrance tunnel look a little like a tiny volcano.

The female flies over to the solitary bee's nest and flicks out her eggs, hoping they will hatch near or in the nest. The bee-fly's ovipositor – the egg-laying tube – has a spine that helps her to flick the eggs. This act is called “bombing”, and she is essentially carpet-bombing her eggs, which she does while the bee is away from its nest. She even coats her

eggs with sand, soil, or gravel to protect them, camouflage them, and make them easier to throw!

When the eggs hatch, the bee-fly larvae enter the burrow of the solitary bee and feed on the pollen left for the bee's larvae. Then they go through a second metamorphosis, called hyper-metamorphosis, which is very rare in the insect world. One entomologist described this as, “It's like going from an active toddler to an enormous, sedentary teenage larva that eats the bee grubs.”

So, keep your eyes open for this fascinating fly, which is so dependent on bees – not only pretending to be a bee, but also relying on bees to bring up its young! They may well be in your own garden or nearby park. — PT

Peter Thompson lives in Barford St. Martin and has worked in conservation and farming all his life. He is Chair of the Salisbury & District Natural History Society and would be delighted if readers joined either the society's Facebook page or the society itself – or indeed both! If you are interested, please see details on the right.

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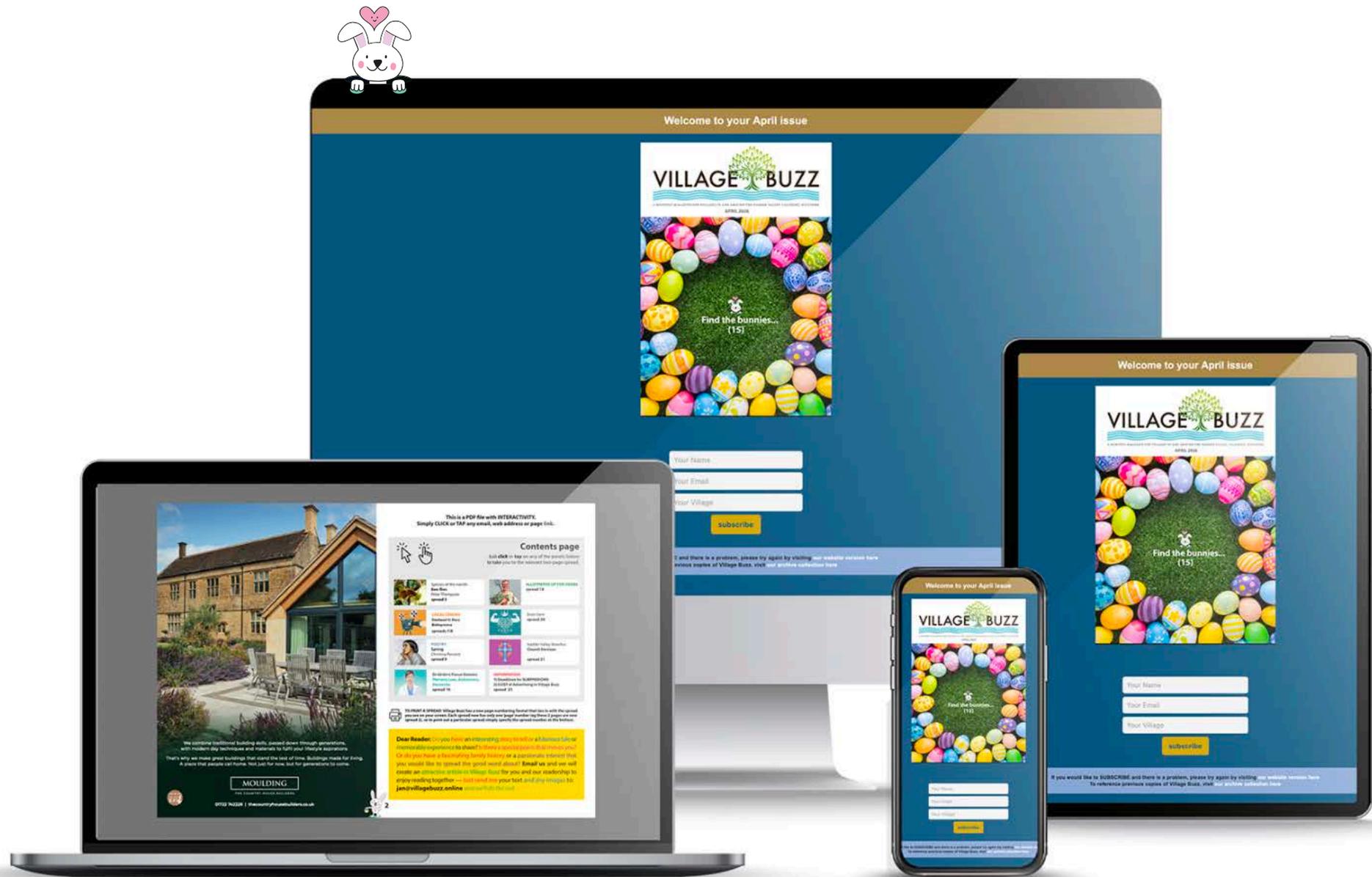
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Donhead St Mary



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## Donhead St Mary

Donhead St Mary Village Hall, Church Hill, Donhead St Mary, SP7 9DQ. Doors open at 6.30pm and the film starts at 7.15pm.

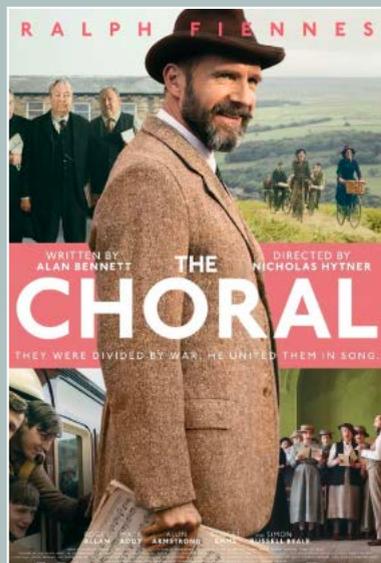
Tickets are available from Ludwell Village Shop from 11.00am.

If you would like to reserve your tickets online, please [click here](#).

Unfortunately, we have had to add a small booking fee to cover the cost of this service.

### The Choral 9 April 2026

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This is just a reminder that our film on Thursday 9th April, the last of this season, is The Choral. This is a 2025 British period comedy-drama about a Yorkshire village's choral society in 1916, facing dwindling members due to World War I, who recruit unlikely teenagers and a mysterious new choirmaster, Dr. Guthrie (Ralph Fiennes), to perform Elgar's "The Dream of Gerontius", exploring community, war, and finding hope through music. Directed by Nicholas Hytner and written by Alan Bennett. I've seen this film and can highly recommend it.



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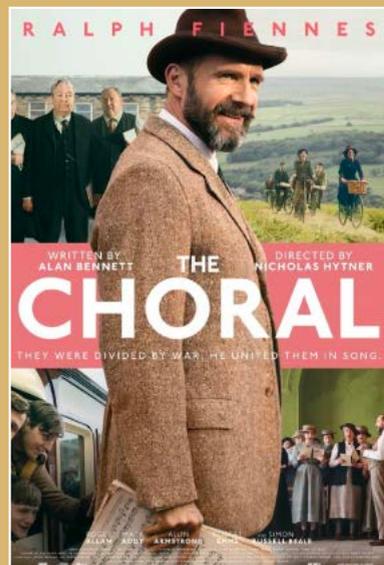
## Bishopstone

Bishopstone Village Hall SP5 4AA, usually on the last Friday of the month, at 7.30pm. Doors open at 7.00pm when a bar and snacks are available.

Bookings should be made with Caroline either by phone 01722 781044 or email: [bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com](mailto:bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com) — Entry is £6, paid on the door by cash, card or cheque.

**The Choral**  
24 April 2026

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A choral society's male members enlist in World War I, leaving the demanding Dr. Guthrie to recruit teenagers. Together, they experience the joy of singing while the young boys grapple with their impending conscription into the army.



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## Friday 10th April

Friends of Bishopstone Church  
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**A talk on  
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*UN Syrian operations in action*



In 2012, the Syrian civil war was at its height. The Assad regime was on the defensive, with Opposition Forces closing in on the capital. Then reports appeared of strange clouds, mass poisoning, and death without visible injuries.

**Jerry Smith**, who lives in Bishopstone, was the Head of Operations for the Joint UN team that was sent to verify, disable and remove Assad's declared chemical arsenal. He outlines the challenges he faced in war-torn Syria.

**Friday 10th April** 7:00 pm for 7:30 pm start  
Bishopstone Village Hall, SP5 4AA

Tickets £12.50 – with canapes and a cash bar  
(18 years old and under: £5)

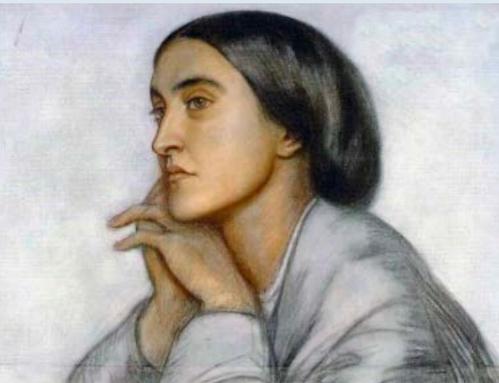


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## Poetry Corner



**Christina Rossetti** (1830-1894) was a prominent English poet of the Victorian era, known for her emotional and often religiously influenced poetry. She was born in 1830 in London and grew up in a creative family connected to the Pre-Raphaelite movement, which included her brother, the artist Dante Gabriel Rossetti. From a young age she wrote poems that explored themes such as love, faith, loss, and the passing of time.

One of her most famous works is *Goblin Market* and *Other Poems*, which includes the well-known poem 'Goblin Market,' a symbolic story about temptation and sisterly devotion. Her poetry is admired for its rich imagery, musical rhythm, and emotional depth. Christina Rossetti died in 1894, but her work remains widely studied today and she is considered one of the most important female poets of the Victorian period.

## Spring

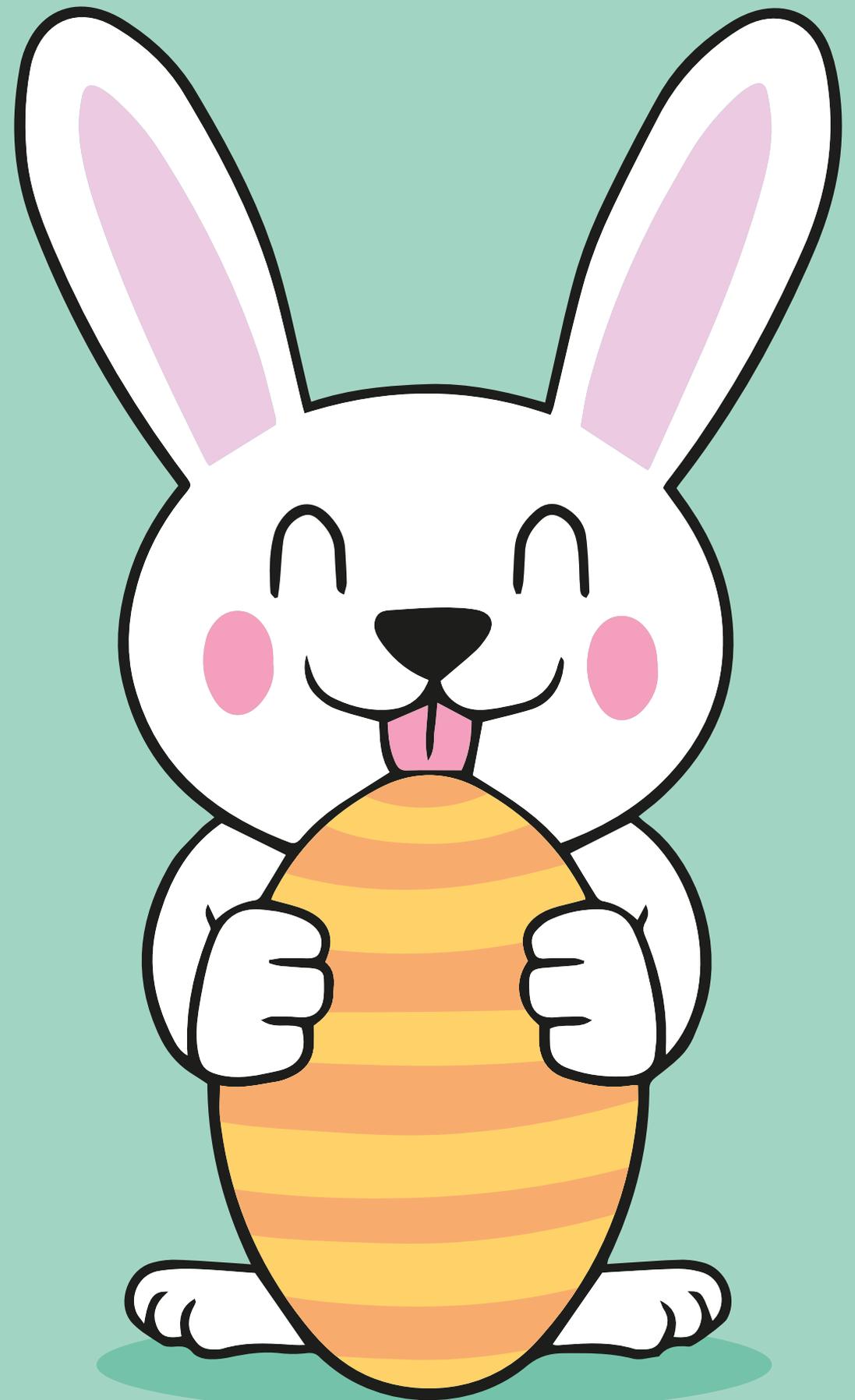
BY CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

Frost-locked all the winter,  
Seeds, and roots, and stones of fruits,  
What shall make their sap ascend  
That they may put forth shoots?  
Tips of tender green,  
Leaf, or blade, or sheath;  
Telling of the hidden life  
That breaks forth underneath,  
Life nursed in its grave by Death.

Blows the thaw-wind pleasantly,  
Drips the soaking rain,  
By fits looks down the waking sun:  
Young grass springs on the plain;  
Young leaves clothe early hedgerow trees;  
Seeds, and roots, and stones of fruits,  
Swollen with sap put forth their shoots;  
Curled-headed ferns sprout in the lane;  
Birds sing and pair again.

There is no time like Spring,  
When life's alive in everything,  
Before new nestlings sing,  
Before cleft swallows speed their journey back  
Along the trackless track –  
God guides their wing,  
He spreads their table that they nothing lack, –  
Before the daisy grows a common flower  
Before the sun has power  
To scorch the world up in his noontide hour.

There is no time like Spring,  
Like Spring that passes by;  
There is no life like Spring-life born to die,  
Piercing the sod,  
Clothing the uncouth clod,  
Hatched in the nest,  
Fledged on the windy bough,  
Strong on the wing:  
There is no time like Spring that passes by,  
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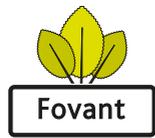


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# What unseen creatures lurk beneath the surface of the River Nadder?

Join us on Saturday 4th April from 10.00 to 12.00 noon

**Children and adults from the Nadder Valley are invited to attend a fascinating River Dipping event on the River Nadder in Barford St Martin on Saturday 4th April from 10.00am to 12.00 noon. The event, organised by the Barford St Martin Community Fund, is guaranteed to be a fascinating experience for all those attending.**

Come and get your feet wet and learn more about the mostly unseen creatures that lurk beneath the surface of the river. This intriguing event is being run by the very experienced duo of Peter Thompson, and Tracy Standish, Senior Education Officer for the Wessex Rivers Trust.

Pete Thompson explains more about the unseen wildlife in our rivers. He said, "In the UK we have over 4,000 freshwater invertebrate species that spend at least part of their lifecycle in freshwater, including mayflies, stoneflies, and caddisflies – collectively called

riverflies. These species play a vital role in maintaining clean water, recycling organic matter and providing a food source for fish, birds and mammals. Without these creatures the food web would collapse.

"For children to see and be able to study creatures such as water scorpions closely is an opportunity for them to experience creatures that they have probably not see before. It is a really important introduction into the natural world that will hopefully grow into a life-long passion."

Pete and Tracy will use special river nets to catch whatever species happen to be in the river and will explain some of the extraordinary life cycles of the different creatures that will be seen, including vibrant dragonfly and damselfly larvae. They will also explain the conservation measures needed to ensure the

future of these important creatures.

The River Dipping event on Saturday 4th April runs from 10.00 to 12.00 noon. There is no charge for children and £5 per adult. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The event, which is raising funds for the Barford St Martin Community Fund invites Nadder Valley residents and children to put on their wellies and explore some of the extraordinary creatures in the River Nadder.

**To attend the River Dipping day on the Nadder, please contact Stephanie Wheatley to book your place and for meeting details.**



**[stephanie.stephanian@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stephanie.stephanian@hotmail.co.uk)  
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Barford St Martin



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Peter Thompson.  
The Barford Community Fund's River Dipping on the River Nadder will show a range of fascinating river species such as stoneflies, the larvae of dragonflies such as this banded demoiselle or water scorpions.

For further information on this, please contact: Morag Walker, The Barford Community Fund  
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# Coming to Salisbury this April! Stars Appeal Trekkers star in inspiring film

**A ONE-OFF CHARITY SCREENING of an inspiring film featuring three Stars Appeal trekkers is being held in Salisbury this April.**

'More Than a Mountain' features Viv Grant, Helen Davies and Caroline Cooper, from Salisbury, who have together raised over £30,000 by taking part in Stars Appeal treks over the years, and in 2025 joined a very special expedition in Nepal led by local leader and Everest summiteer, Jo Bradshaw.

The local community is invited to join the Stars Appeal, Salisbury Hospital's Charity on Wednesday, April 8, for the film screening of their adventure in Nepal, and hear about what it meant to them in a live Q&A. All while helping raise funds for the Stars Appeal.

'More Than a Mountain' is a powerful documentary that challenges long-held assumptions about who belongs in the world of high-altitude mountaineering. It follows fifteen women as they take on the demanding ascent of Yala Peak, a 5,500m Himalayan mountain in Nepal, led by Salisbury resident Jo Bradshaw, a former comfort-lover who transformed her life to become an Everest and Seven Summits mountaineer.



Climbing Yala Peak

The expedition celebrates 50 years since the first woman reached the summit of Mount Everest, and the film boldly asks: Do you know her name?

Japanese mountaineer Junko Tabei was a trailblazer and pioneer whose legacy continues to inspire. The team climb in her honour, and in honour of every woman whose achievements have been overlooked or are hidden in the shadows of mountain history.

Ranging in age from 29 to 71, and spanning complete beginners to seasoned climbers, each woman brings a deeply personal story of courage, doubt, resilience and possibility. Together, they test their limits, challenge stereotypes, and illuminate the true breadth of what

women are quietly achieving.

'More Than a Mountain' is not just an expedition story. It is a celebration of strength in all its forms and a reclamation of the women, both seen and unseen, who have paved the way.

**The screening is on Wednesday 8 April at Salisbury Hospital, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Tickets are £8, available in advance only from [starsappeal.org/events/](https://starsappeal.org/events/)**

Attendees will also find out more about the charity's work at Salisbury District Hospital supporting patients, their families and the staff who care for them.

Funds raised by the event will help towards the £2million the Stars Appeal aims to raise this year to fund state-of-the-art equipment, enhancements to buildings, and ongoing projects across Salisbury Hospital, including support for people with cancer, play therapy equipment and a dedicated play assistant on the Children's Unit, and Stars Appeal Wi Fi.



The team gathers after their climb

The Stars Appeal is the charity for Salisbury District Hospital. Every day, work funded by the charity helps hundreds of patients at Salisbury District Hospital and supports the NHS staff who care for them. The Stars Appeal aims to raise over £2million each year to fund projects which offer direct, practical support to patients, their families, and the Hospital's staff.

Further information:  
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### Dr Kinlin's Focus Sessions

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## Mum thanks Salisbury Hospital after son diagnosed with rare blood disorder

**A Salisbury mum whose son was diagnosed with a rare blood disorder is taking part in a sponsored walk to thank Salisbury District Hospital and the Stars Appeal for going “above and beyond” to care for him.**

Emma Liu and her son Remy, aged two, will be joining walkers from across the local community at the Stars Appeal’s Walk for Wards on Sunday, July 5th at Wilton House.

In December last year, Remy was rushed to hospital when he had a severe nosebleed. As Emma recalls: “It got to 45 minutes, and the bleeding still hadn’t stopped. It was really scary. To see Remy in hospital was a shock to the system - nothing prepares you for when your child gets seriously ill.”

Remy was diagnosed with Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a rare blood disorder, that affects his platelets, causing an increased risk of bruising and bleeding, and spent three days on Sarum Children’s Ward. Remy has monthly hospital check-ups to monitor his condition.

During Remy’s time in hospital he has benefited from additional facilities the Stars Appeal, Salisbury Hospital’s Charity, provide on the Children’s Unit.

Emma, aged 28, said: “The playrooms and sensory room were invaluable when Remy was in hospital and gave him a calming space to be in. The Stars Appeal Play Assistant delivered toys to Remy’s bedside so he could play in his room. When he was feeling better he loved spending time in the playroom - the choice of toys was endless. It would have been a very miserable stay in hospital

if it wasn’t broken up with all the fantastic play facilities to distract him,” adds Emma. “Even now when we go to hospital appointments he says he’s going to play. The toys and the child-friendly facilities make him forget that he’s about to be poked with needles. Visiting the hospital feels more like a play day with important medical care in between.”

Home comforts funded by the Stars Appeal also helped make Emma’s stay in hospital with Remy more comfortable. She said: “When Remy was admitted it was such a rush to get a bag packed that we forgot a few important things. It was such a relief to have the Stars Appeal toiletries and to be able to have a shower. We were helped endlessly by the Stars Appeal Wi-Fi, I was able to keep my family updated and when Remy was feeling better he could play on his tablet.

“Everyone on Sarum Ward and the Stars Appeal have gone above and beyond to help Remy. We want to support the hospital and

the Stars Appeal to continue providing all these great things that make hospital stays for children like Remy less scary.”

It is free to register for Walk for Wards on Sunday, July 5th at Wilton House, and participants can walk the 3k, 5k, 10k, or 15k route. Entry includes lunch and admission to the Wilton House gardens and adventure playground.

Walkers are asked to sign up in advance and raise at least £20/£50 sponsorship per person (route dependent) for their chosen ward or department.

**To register visit [www.starsappeal.org/event/](http://www.starsappeal.org/event/)**



Emma Liu with her son Remy in the Stars Appeal play area on Sarum Ward



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## April's Brain Gym

### HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

The objective of the puzzle is to complete the grid so each of the rows, columns and 3 x 3 sub-grids contains the numbers 1 to 9. The challenging part of the puzzle is that each number can only appear once per row, column, or sub-grid.

### HOW TO PLAY SUM SQUARE

Each side of the shape must add up to the number shown. The numbers you can place are 1-9 and each number can only appear once. Some of the numbers are already used.

[SOLUTIONS ON SPREAD 23](#)

### SUM SQUARE

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DATE	30 March – 4 April	5 April	12 April	19 April	26 April
	Holy Week	Easter Sunday	Easter 2	Easter 3	Easter 4

### Lower Nadder Benefice Services

Barford St Martin	18.30	Wednesday 1 April Compline	EB
Baverstock	-	-	-
Compton Chamberlayne	-	-	-
Dinton	-	-	-
Fovant	14.00	Good Friday 3 April Hour at the Cross	EB
Sutton Mandeville	-	-	-
Teffont Evias	-	-	-
Teffont Magna	19.00	Maundy Thursday 2 April Holy communion	EB

11.15	AAC	EB
09.30	AAC	SD
09.30	AAC	EB
09.30	AAC	JT
09.30	AAC	AB
09.30	AAC	MG
-	-	-
11.15	AAS	MG

### BENEFICE SERVICE

-	To Fovant	-	09.30	BCP	MH
-	To Fovant	-	18.00	ES ANZAC	EB/+SL
-	To Fovant	-	-	-	-
-	To Fovant	-	09.30	MP	EB
10.00	PC	EB	09.30	PC Patronal	MG
-	To Fovant	-	-	To Fovant	-
-	To Fovant	-	11.15	AAC	EB
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### Upper Nadder Benefice Services

Ansty	-	-	-
Chicklade	18.30	Tuesday 31 March Compline	JA
Hindon	18.30	Wednesday 1 April Compline	JA
Chilmark	14.00	Good Friday 3 April Compline / DS	+AR
Fonthill Bishop	-	-	-
Fonthill Gifford	11.15	Good Friday 3 April DS	LAY
Swallowcliffe	09.30	Good Friday 3 April DS	JA
Tisbury*	18.30 19.30 13.30	Monday 30 March Compline Maundy Thursday 2 April PC Good Friday 3 April DS	JA +AR JA

11.15	PC	MH
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09.30	AAC	GB
11.15	AAC	TF
09.30	HCBCP	MH
11.15	HCBCP	GB
11.15	PC <sub>T</sub>	MC
09.30	PC	NW

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18.00	EBCP	JA	09.30	PC with baptism	JN
11.15	AAS	JA	11.15	MP	LAY
09.30	MBCP	JA	-	-	-
-	-	-	11.15	MBCP	LAY
08.00	HCBCP	RHS	11.15	MBCP	LAY
09.30 18.00	PC CEBCP	MC MH	08.00 09.30	HCBCP PC	RHS BB

#### SERVICES

- AAC All Age Communion
- AAS All Age Service
- BCP Book of Common Prayer
- CbE Communion by Extension
- CE Choral Evensong (BCP)
- CW Common Worship
- DS Devotional Service
- E Evensong or Evening Prayer
- FC All Age Family Communion
- HC Holy Communion (*said*)
- HC02T/C Order 2 Communion, *traditional/contemporary*
- M Mattins or Morning Prayer
- MPr Morning Praise
- PC Order 1 Communion (*with hymns*)
- PC<sub>T</sub> Order 1 Communion, *traditional language (with hymns)*
- PC02T Order 2 Communion, *traditional language (with hymns)*

#### PC02T/C

- Order 2 Communion, *traditional/contemporary*
- RS Reflective Service
- SoP Songs of Praise
- SoW All Age Service of the Word

#### CLERGY

- Lower Nadder Benefice**
- +SL Bishop Stephen Lake
  - AB Andrew Bryant
  - BH Barney Hopkinson
  - EB Elaine Brightwell
  - JT Jenny Taylor
  - MG Michael Goater
  - MH Mark Hayter
  - PC Pat Clegg
  - SD Stephen Dunwoody

#### Upper Nadder Benefice

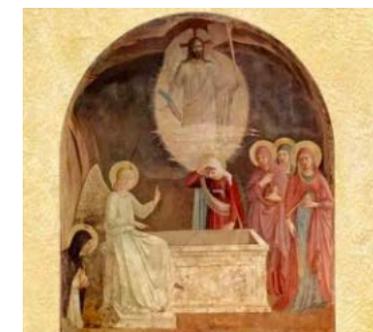
- AT Anthony Thomas
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- GB Guy Bridgewater
- JA Judy Anderson
- JD Julie Dunstan
- JP Joanna Percival
- LE Louise Ellis
- MC Michael Camp
- MH Mark Hayter
- ND Nigel Done
- NW Nigel Worn
- RHS Ruth Howlett-Shipley
- TM Tony Monds
- TH Tim Hiller
- TF Tina Fox
- +AR Bishop Andrew



# Healing & Wholeness



Come to join us in the stillness, bringing with you any person or situation you wish to pray for that is near to your heart and for healing for a world troubled by war.



**Jesus is the Light of the world**  
**Wednesday April 15th\*, 4.00pm**

St Andrew's Chapel  
**St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury**

**Easter: Resurrection**  
 Jesus brings hope and renewal

\* Please note the later date this month

# From darkness to light

April arrives this year against a backdrop of a world that continues to feel unsettled and uncertain. News headlines remain filled with conflict, humanitarian crises, and the ongoing challenges of political division and economic strain. From tensions in the Middle East and the continuing war in Ukraine, to the pressures of rising costs of living closer to home, it can sometimes feel as though hope is in short supply.

It is into this kind of world that Easter speaks with quiet but profound power. At its heart, Easter is not a story told in easy or comfortable circumstances. It begins in fear, injustice, and suffering. Yet it moves, steadily and unexpectedly, toward hope, renewal, and the possibility of new life. That journey—from darkness to light—continues to resonate in times like these.

Around the world, many communities are experiencing deep uncertainty. Families are displaced by conflict, others are struggling with poverty or the long-term effects of climate-related disasters, and many feel anxious about the future. These realities can seem distant from village life, yet they are part of the shared human story that connects us all. What happens beyond our borders inevitably shapes the world we live in, and reminds us of our responsibility to remain aware, compassionate, and engaged.

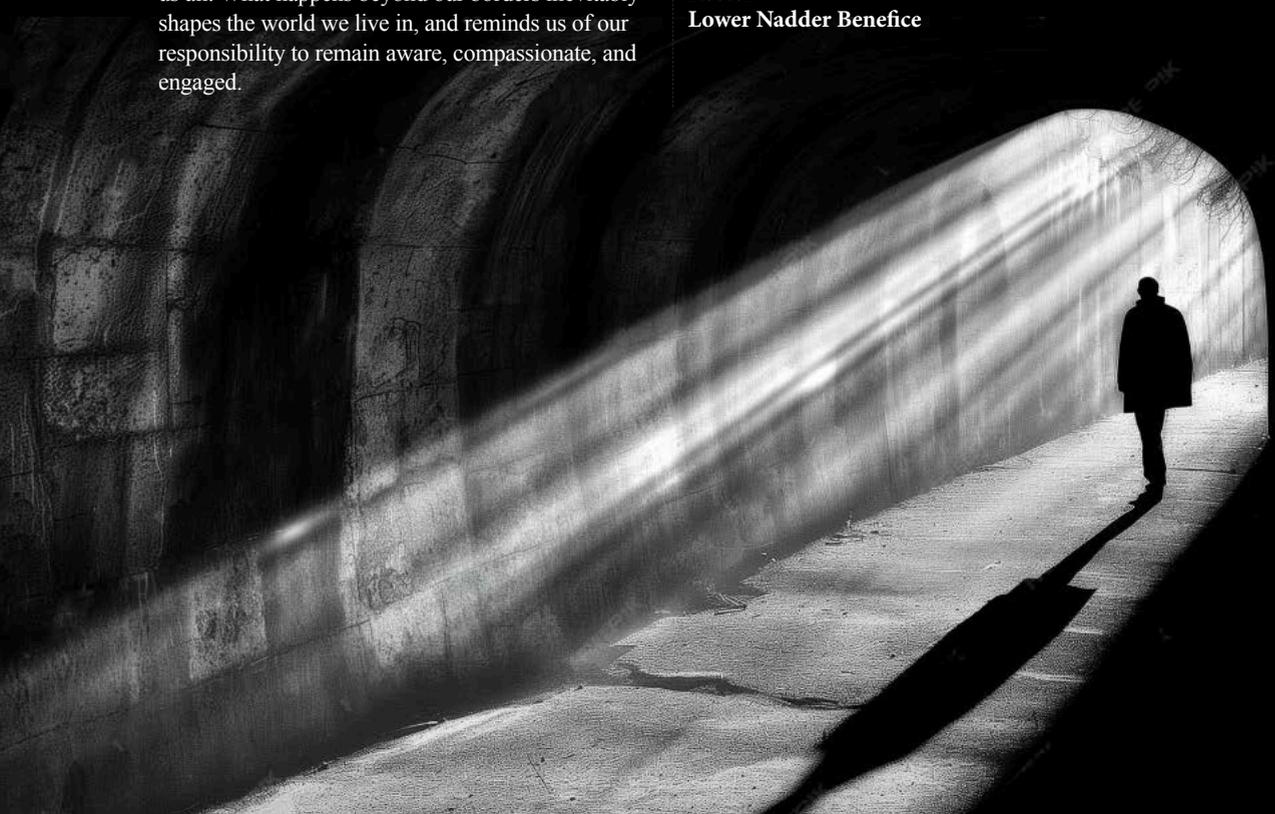


Easter doesn't ignore these realities. Instead, it offers a different way of seeing them. It reminds us that even in the most difficult circumstances, change is possible. It speaks of resilience in the face of hardship, of courage where there is fear, and of hope that refuses to be extinguished. These are not abstract ideas, but deeply practical ones—seen in the lives of those who continue to rebuild, care for others, and seek peace in the midst of turmoil.

The message of Easter is about transformation. It reminds us that endings are not always final, that new beginnings can emerge where we least expect them, and that light can break through even the deepest darkness. For some, this is expressed through faith and worship; for others, it may be found in acts of kindness, in standing alongside those in need, or in a renewed commitment to making the world a better place in whatever ways we can.

Easter doesn't offer easy answers, but it does offer a powerful reassurance: that hope is real, that renewal is possible, and that even in the most troubled times, light has not been overcome.

**Rev. Elaine Brightwell**  
Rector  
Lower Nadder Benefice



Barford St Martin



Burcombe



## TEA and CHATS

Plenty of tea, coffee, cake and chat with many friends from our villages.

A talk by Vicki Rowse who will tell us about her life nursing in Zambia.

ALL WELCOME

**Tuesday 14th April**

2-4pm in St Martin's church.

There is no charge, donations for the church. Jenny Barrett

[jennybarford@gmail.com](mailto:jennybarford@gmail.com)



Sutton Mandeville



All Saints Church  
Sutton Mandeville

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## MONTHLY DRAW RESULTS



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## BRAIN GYM solutions

### A DODDLE

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**THIS IS THE FIFTH DRAW OF THIS 'LOTTERY YEAR'!**  
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**Liz Daw 01722 714362**  
 or [liz.daw1@btinternet.com](mailto:liz.daw1@btinternet.com)






**Save the Date**  
**Plant Sale**  
 23 May 2026  
 10.00 - 12 noon  
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 In aid of St George's Church

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## Advertising and article submission deadline



### Thursday 23 April

If you plan to submit ready-made advertising please ensure that the file is in the format of either a high resolution Acrobat PDF file or a high resolution JPEG (300ppi) file – If we have to amend your artwork/image to make it usable, we reserve the right to add a small charge for doing this work, thank you.



# All Saints Church, Sutton Mandeville



## Monthly Draw

**A chance to win a share of £70 per month**

**1<sup>st</sup> prize - £40    2<sup>nd</sup> prize - £20    3<sup>rd</sup> prize - £10**

**It's time to renew or sign up for  
the 2025-6 All Saints' Church Monthly Draw**

Thank you for your valued support. The monthly draw has been very successful in raising funds to maintain All Saints' Church, Sutton Mandeville. Renewal of your membership is now due and we are asking subscribers to please pay for all twelve months by April 21<sup>st</sup>, ready for the April draw.

For just £24 (£2 per month) you will secure a number in the monthly draw.  
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### Rules

- All named applicants must be over 16 years old.
- A draw will determine the number allocated to each applicant, this number will be entered in each draw for the next 12 months.
- All numbers must be held for 12 months.
- All winners will be advised directly and prize money will be provided to the contact address by the 10th of the month following the draw.
- The results will be published online in the Village Buzz Magazine: [village-buzz.co.uk](http://village-buzz.co.uk) and on paper on the village notice board near All Saints' Church
- If demand exceeds/does not meet 125 numbers the organizers have the right to increase/decrease the prize money, the relationship of prize money to revenue will be maintained.
- The balance of the revenue after prize money and costs will be provided to the Parochial Church Council for use in maintaining All Saints Church.
- The draw can be discontinued with two months' notice and any overpayment will be refunded in full.
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### Sutton Mandeville Monthly Draw January 2026-7

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