

Parish Info + News



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Parish of All Saints, Langton Long

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Please note that Tim's day off is Friday.
Rosy's day off is Monday. The Staff are usually
unavailable between 5.00 and 7.00pm each evening.
**For all other contact details, please phone
the parish office or see the web site.**

Our usual Weekly Events @ BFPC ...

Thursdays at 9.30am BCP Holy Communion
Fridays at 10.00am Rainbow Toddlers@Parish Centre
Fridays at 10.30am Prayers at Langton Long
Saturday Morning Coffee House



Thurs 1st	Maundy Thursday 7pm Holy Communion
Fri 2nd	Good Friday 10.30am United Walk of Witness 3.00pm Hour at The Cross
Sat 3rd	1.00pm Jesus of Nazareth in the Centre
Sun 4th	"Easter Day" "Risen to Meet With Us" 9.00am BCP Holy Communion at BFPC 10.30am All Age Holy CommunionBFPC 11.00am All Age Holy Communionat LL
Tues 6th	Prayer Day: 9am Prayer at Parish centre 12 noon at Langton 8pm Prayer at Parish centre
Thurs 8th	MU Prayer meeting at Parish centre
Sun 11th	"Risen to Meet With Us" 9.00am CW Holy Communion at BFPC 10.30am All Age Worship at BFPC 11.00am Holy Communion BCP at LL
Sat 17th	Working party in church Working party at Parish centre garden Soup lunches at Parish centre
Sun 18th	"Risen to Send Us Out" 9.00am BCP Holy Communion at BFPC 10.30am Morning Worship at BFPC 11.00am Holy Communion CW at LL Followed by LL AGM
Wed 21st	Homegroups Meet: "Social Evening"
Sun 25th	"The Armour of God" 9.00am Morning Prayer at BFPC 10.30am Holy Communion at BFPC 11.00am All Age Worship at LL 3pm Scout service
Wed 28th	Homegroups meet: "The Armour of God"
Thurs 29th	BFPC AGM at Parish centre



Outlook

News from Blandford Forum and Langton Long - April 2010

Paid On The Nail

"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me"
Luke 9:23

If you go to the business area of my home city, Bristol, you will find some curious metal tables outside of the Corn Exchange, dating back hundreds of years. These are known as the "nails" and some claim that the expression "Paid on the Nail" began with deals negotiated and agreed across these tables. Christians have adopted this expression as a reminder that the payment for the sin of the world was made in the nails that held Jesus to the Cross. Others have pointed out that mere nails could not have held him there - only the extraordinary love he had for those he came to save, namely, you and me.

A few weeks ago, we learnt that a combination of the generosity on the part of those who gave on the "Thanksgiving Weekend" to launch the Centre, alongside the amazing news that our Contractor had actually managed to finish the work inside the budget allocated, meant that we do not have to begin the life of the Centre with a debt hanging over us. This is truly wonderful news and something which remind us of God's guidance and provision throughout the project - and is the cause of great celebration and praise! In the next week or so, we will go through the Easter story and recall the price that was paid for us on the Cross - and the even more amazing thought that we do not have to go through life with the debt of sin hanging over us. Our guilt is wiped away and gone. As with the Centre, we may struggle to grasp the depth of what this means - and be tempted to believe that somehow there *must* be something

which is still owed, something we *ought* to pay for or something which was not included in the contract. But when Jesus shouted "It is finished" from the Cross, he was saying just that: the work of redemption, the work of freedom from sin and guilt was *finished*. Completely. Utterly. Absolutely.

I will not forget the incredibly hard work that the members of the HSG put in over many months. Neither will I forget the amazing generosity of the congregation in the Gift Day of November 2007, when over £110,000 was given or pledged. I will never forget the immense dedication shown through the Talents project of last summer ... if I forget that the Centre cost a great deal of money and that it came through the hard work, the sacrifice and the generosity of spirit in the congregation, then I am in danger of devaluing the Centre itself.

In the same way, we are tempted to overlook the cost of the Cross. We forget that it cost Jesus the emotional trauma of being betrayed by one of his closest friends and the desertion of all the rest. It cost him the pain of a corrupt trial and facing the lies of those who accused him. It cost him the physical pain of torture to the point of death, but being kept alive to face the ultimate cost: the cost of death in the most cruel and degrading manner mankind has ever devised.

If we truly want to rejoice in the freedom and joy of Easter and all that it brings us, we must take a moment or even a day (it is called Good Friday) so that we do not underestimate the cost of the Cross. The more we value Good Friday, the greater our understanding of why we rejoice on Easter Day!

Tim Storey



Tuesday 6th April Prayer Day at Blandford & LL

9am @ Parish centre - 12noon @ Langton -
8pm @ Parish centre

Prayer requests to 456260 or prayer@bfpc.org.uk
by Sunday 4th April, please!



"Outlook" - News from the Parishes of Blandford Forum and Langton Long in Dorset.

Mission Statement: "To Discover and Nurture Relationships in Jesus Christ."

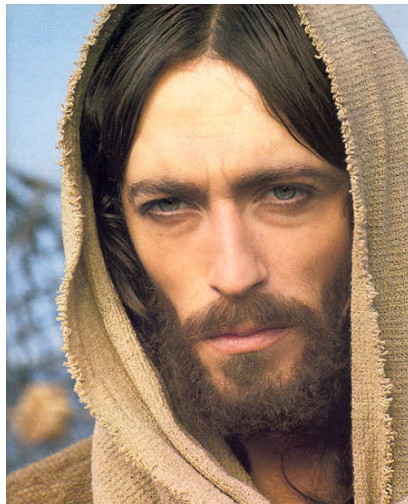
Blandford Vision Statement: "To see every road in Blandford Forum baptised in the love of God."

Langton Vision Statement: "To build a joyful Fellowship of Healing and Wholeness."



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“Jesus of Nazareth”



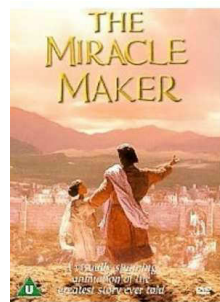
The full 4½ hours of Zeferelli's masterpiece starring Robert Powell.

**Blandford Parish Centre
Easter Saturday
3rd April 2010**

Part 1: 1.00pm -3.00pm
3.00pm: Refreshments
Part 2: 3.30pm - 6.00pm
6.00pm: Short Act of Reflection

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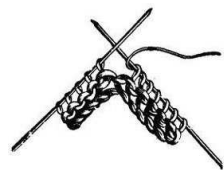


Stitches

A new drop-in Group to learn, Improve or pass on all sorts of stitching skills.

Starting Friday 9th April
1.30pm- 4pm

At The Parish Centre
For more details see Jennie Rake



Working Parties: Can you help?

Are you able to help on the morning of Saturday 17th April.

Either with the garden at the Parish centre or with minor repairs to the Church



If you can please speak to Judith Crompton (garden) or Bob Henley (church)



MILTON BLANDFORD DEANERY

MARKET PLACE

Saturday May 15 10.30 - 2 p.m.

BLANDFORD SCHOOL

Talk by the Bishop of Sherborne at 11:15
COME AND FIND OUT WHAT THE LOCAL CHURCHES ARE UP TO!

Come & go as you please Bring a picnic lunch - drinks provided

Book Review:

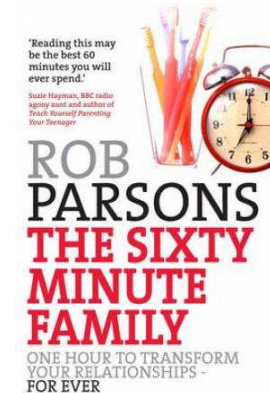
The Sixty Minute Family

“I'm not a great reader, and so groaned a bit when accepting a book from someone - thinking 'When am I going to get a chance to look at this?'. But the title encouraged me - 'The Sixty Minute Family' and it claimed that 'an hour (would) transform your relationships forever' - which seemed like a good deal!

And it was a treat! It's split into 10 short chapters, each ending with some 'action points' to consider. Each chapter took me no more than 15 minutes; every one had a lot of practical, realistic ideas and tips, wrapped up in a narrative of stories with sensitivity, humour and honesty. I feared a 'religious', trite text - and it certainly wasn't anything near that. Whilst aimed at families with kids, it could also be helpful to couples. I'd thoroughly recommend it - see me if you want to borrow my copy.

The author is Rob Parsons, founder of the charity 'Care for the Family.'”

Judith Crompton



News from Langton Long



The double baptism last Sunday, when we welcomed Brynley Thomson and Constance Wates into our Christian fellowship, filled the Church. - I didn't realise there were so many young families with young children in the area! - it was a joy to have them with us - but what a challenge to introduce them to the blessings of a walk with Jesus and to nurture relationships with Him - and that's what we have promised to do, parents, godparents and ourselves. We are really only just beginning to see the germinating seeds of our vision for Langton, please continue to pray.

We still have prayer at Langton on Friday mornings, usually at 10.30am. do feel free to come and join us and/or let me know if there are people or situations for which you would like us to pray. (01258 452707)

The next coffee morning will be on Wednesday 21st April then Wednesday 19th May and regularly on the third Wednesday of each month.

The other important date is **SUNDAY 18th APRIL** our AGM -please pray for the future of our fellowship and that the right people may respond to God's call to serve on the PCC.

In the mean time may you and all those you love enjoy a BLESSED and HAPPY EASTER
Barbara Ward.

Baptisms:
21st March at LL:
Brynley James Thomson
Constance Grave Olivia Wates



Memorial service:
15th March at BFPC: Clive Brickell

Funeral:
24th March at BFPC: Ben Barney

AGM Dates:

Langton Long
Sunday 18th April at 12.15pm at Langton BFPC
Thursday 29th April at 7.30pm at Blandford