# UGBOROUGH PARISH NEWSLETTER

# February 2015



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Garden Club Anne Holway. Our February meeting will be on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m. in The Old Post Office. The speaker will be Mike Stephens from Liskeard with a talk entitled "Have a Wonderful Winter Garden". We woul be pleased to welcome any new faces to our meetings. For information please rir Anne Holway on 01752 941872.

## Coffee Drop-In Centre

# 10,30am-Noon every Thursday morning in Ugborough Church Post office available 10 a.m.-12 noon

Why not meet up with friends and neighbours over coffee, tea, cake & biscuits? Everyone welcome.

## Newsletter Funds Appeal.

Thanks to the very generous people of Ugborough Parish who have donated following our appeal for funds last month. Your encouragement and support are very much appreciated.

## Ceremonial flying of the Flag.

The flag will be flown on the following occasions-

February 6<sup>th</sup> Accession Day of Queen Elizabeth II

February 19<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Duke of York

# Erme Valley RDA - Peggy Douglas

As the winter progresses we appeal once more for Volunteers to help with a multitude of tasks! We're not just looking for helpers for our Riders and Horses - but for those who might turn their hand to tack cleaning, painting, DIY in its many forms or just plain tidying.

Please contact me on 07882 286421 if you are able to help.

And so our Thirtieth Year commences - and we are planning many special events.

# Two dates for you diaries:

May  $8^{th}$ ; when we host an evening at the Delamore Art Exhibition at Cornwood. May  $9^{th}$ , when the Military Wives will be singing for us in concert.

Watch this space for details.....

#### Beacon Federation Governors- Vacancy for a Co-opted Governor

Sue Roberts , Chair of Governors

The Governors are responsible for the strategic direction of the Federation's schools and are passionate about ensuring that every child has the best possible experience during their primary schooling. We are looking for someone who shares this vision and can contribute towards the continuing development of the Federation. Experience of property and site management, public relations, ICT and marketing would be particularly useful but not essential.

Governors meet monthly, serve for a 4-year term and can be parents of children at the Federation's schools or members of the wider community. They do need to be able to visit the schools during the day from time to time.

If you would like to find out more about being a governor or to discuss this informally with one of us please contact the school office at:

Ermington (01548 830459) or Ugborough (01752 8924890) or email *admin@ermington.devon.sch.uk* before Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February.

<u>The Beacon Federation</u> - Executive Headteacher - Mrs. Jane Byrne Ugborough Primary School.

We said au revoir to Mrs French who is on maternity leave and hello to Mrs Westworth who joins the Federation as SENCO while Mrs French is away. We also welcome two new Teaching Assistants to our team, Mr Hill-Smith and Mrs Timothy, and a new teaching student, Miss Golding, in Year 5/6.

Can we appeal to parents to park sensibly whilst dropping off/collecting children and be mindful of our neighbours? Please park in the Square and walk up to school. For this year's music concerts at the Watermark Centre in Ivybridge, Earlscombe class, together with musicians from Year 4, will represent the school in the production "Raise My Voice" on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March. Further information on tickets sales etc will be published soon - watch this space!

A reminder that Friday  $13^{th}$  February is a Non Pupil Day and  $16^{th}$  -  $20^{th}$  February is Half Term.

# The car parking congestion at the junction of Lutterburn St/Undertown (an Undertown Resident, name supplied).

On 10<sup>th</sup> January, the refuse collection lorry was unable to access Undertown resulting in inconvenience to the council, and residents not getting their bins emptied. This in itself may not seem to be of overly great importance to the car owners involved but of greater importance is the free and urgent access which may be required by fire and ambulance services, both of which have been required by Undertown residents in recent years. It would be appreciated if car owners could bear this in mind when parking vehicles at this junction.

## Ugborough Parish Walking Group - Merryl Docker

The first walk of this year happens to fall on 1st February! We will meet as usual in the Square at 10.45am for kick off at 11.00am. The



first snowdrops have already been spotted and lambs have been hear bleating. Come with us on a gentle stroll around our beautiful parish to see mor signs that Spring is round the corner. It is there right under our feet if we spen the time to look. Everyone will be made very welcome with your 4 legged frienc too. For more information about the Parish Rights of Way please contact Merr Docker (01752 893651) or Tom Holway (01752 941872). See you soon.

## Mary's Coffee Morning - Wednesday 4th March - In aid of the Church.

I can't quite believe that it's time to start advertising the Coffee Mornin Christmas seems months ago and I am already thinking about the daffodils the are usually out by the time of this coffee morning.

Once again this event will be held at Oakenham, opposite Hillhead Farm at the to of the hill, in memory of my granny who lived here and ran the same coffee mornir on the first Wednesday in March every year. Please come along for tea, coffee an homemade biscuits, as well as a cake and plant stall. There is parking at the hous or in the farmyard. Shelley Hutcheon 07720765014

### Ugborough Fair 2015

The first meeting of the year is coming up and we would love to see some ne members to help this now historic and important event in the village. We have a amazing new committee who have all been through the planning of this event one and are full of ideas to make this year's even better. It would be just a little be easier with a few more volunteers and a Secretary! If you could spare just a fe hours to help run one of the events or could take on the role of Secretary, pleas contact Shelley on 07720765014 or email at shelley@oakenham.com

## Ugborough goes on safari again...

Safari Supper 2015 will be Saturday 21st March.

Application forms from John Pursey 01752 896278 or  $\mbox{ugboroughsafari@gmail.com}$  Closing date for applications  $9^{TH}$  MARCH For school and village funds.

# Ugborough Youth Group Mandy Baker

Friday, 6th February - Ugborough Youth Group - regular monthly session in th village hall between 7 and 9 p.m.

<u>Ugborough News</u> is looking for a paper boy/girl who would be willing to deliver papers in BITTAFORD, this would be for Saturday and Sunday mornings only. To begin FEBRUARY 2015. If you are interested please ring any of the following contact numbers and ask for Julie (07769664478 or 01364 72132 - 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.) or alternatively you can call in to "Sign of the Owl Birds" for quick chat and further details.

## Ivybridge U3A - Jean Sherrell

The February General Meeting of Ivybridge U3A will be held at The Watermark on Monday 16th February at 2 p.m.

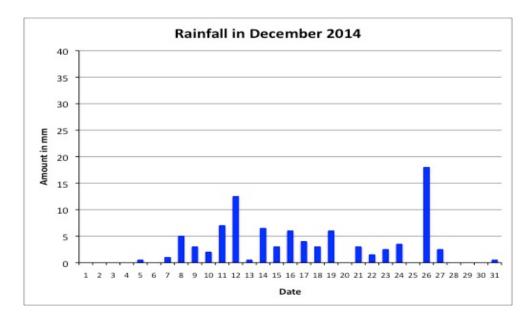
The speaker, Janet Cowlard, who gave us such an interesting talk last May on the Windsors, is returning with a talk on "The Mystery of the Royal Letters"

<u>SeaMoor Children's Centre</u> at Town Hall, Ivybridge has a 'fantastic, fun Spring timetable of free events for families with children under 5'.

Visit www.southhamschildrenscentres.org.uk for full details.

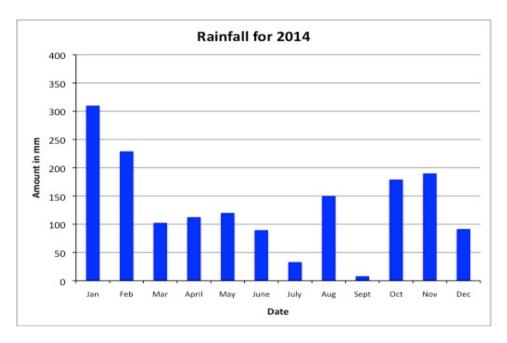
## Rainfall at Shellwood Hill George Arnison

Below is my rainfall chart for December 2014 where I've recorded 91.5mm (3.6") at Shellwood Hill. For comparison, the previous four Decembers have given 237.5mm (2013); 327.0mm (2012) 165.5mm (2011) and 54mm (2010).



Also below is a chart summarising monthly rainfall at Shellwood Hill for the whol of 2014 - for which I've recorded a total of 1615mm (63.6") - compared wit 1441mm (2013), 1990mm (2012); 1125mm (2011); and 1112mm (2010).

It's been another year of weather extremes nationally: according to the Me Office last winter (Dec'13 to Feb'14) was the wettest since records began (whic was in 1910 for the UK and 1766 for England!) and the stormiest for sever decades, possibly much longer. By contrast, September was the driest across th UK since records began in 1910 (and one of the warmest).



Ugborough Sustainable Saturdays has some exciting events lined up for 201! One of them will be a series of four seasonal Potluck Dinners. We would like to ca upon each and every one of you to dust off your family recipes, get inspired be local produce and it doesn't have to be just food we also welcome a good homebre or cordial recipe. Bring along your creation and recipe to the Village Hall on 28th February at 6 p.m. for the first event. The recipes will be collected an published as part of our very own USS cook book and your creations will obvious be enjoyed by us all. Please email or call Charlott to get your free ticke ugboroughss@gmail.com or 07730767694

For locally produced foods, crafts and cafe, Sustainable Saturdays dates for February are February  $7^{th}$  and  $21^{st}$  from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

## Ugborough Village Hall- Stafford Williams

Thanks go to the donation from the Victorian Fayre run by Shelley and Philomena - the Hall needs all the income it can get so such effort is gratefully received. On that note there are some users who are tardy in paying, often because the fee is quite small. Rather than feel guilty please try and pay before events to avoid any embarrassment and to reduce the chance of us having to put up prices.

There have been a few problems with the website booking system recently so please confirm that your booking is completed using text to Philomena's mobile number (07866 518333).

Users of the Hall may wish to publicise their activities through this newsletter, but it is difficult for the Hall Committee to speak on your behalf. Please contact Norma Roe (editor) directly if you want folk to know about your events.

There has been a change to food labelling regulations and anyone serving food from the Village Hall needs to be aware of the details. If you provide meals onsite you will need to write on your menus and any display board the relevant allergens if they are included - further information is at

http://www.food.gov.uk/sites/default/files/multimedia/pdfs/maycontainguide.pdf

### Ugborough Local History Group- Merryl Docker

Do join us on Wednesday 25th February at 8 p.m. in Ugborough Village Hall when a very good friend of the History Group Gordon Partridge (retired Lighthouse Keeper) will be regaling his own family history with an illustrated talk on "My family and fishing in Brixham". Learn more about the fascinating history of fishing in Brixham with Gordon who no doubt has many fascinating tales to share with us.

Members free, non-members very welcome at just £2 on the door. For more information about the History Group please contact Merryl on  $01752\ 893651$ 

## Old Hips Party Maureen Tubman

Thank you so much to Phil and all the lovely ladies who worked so hard to make our meal at the hall such a success.

It was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. For those who did not turn up, you missed a treat.

#### Beryl's Bookworms - Sue Johns

This month we read Gillian Flynn's 'Gone Girl' - a dark, psychological thriller of the first order.

Set in post-recession Missouri the book opens with the husband

Nick returning home to find his house has been disturbed and his wife, Amy, missing. There follows two narratives; Nick relating events as they unfold, an Amy speaking through her diary of the early years of their relationship. The tw story lines begin to converge - and we were all shocked in the middle section whe the truth begins to unfold. The ending is vertiginous and unpredictable, yet som felt it was unsatisfactory.

Flynn plays the reader with a flawless plot, resulting, most agreed, in a real pag turner. The main characters were clearly psychopathic and sociopathic, and the relationship with each other and those close to them, we all agreed, was portraye true to type. We did wonder about the sort of mind that dreams up such a twiste and downright nasty storyline!

The language was very 'American' and most felt, offensive - yet we had to agree this in itself lent to the mood and enhanced the storyline. The detriment involvement of social media and reality TV was significant in the outcome, and the led to discussion on the future of criminal investigations and unbiased juries.

One of us felt the book was just too unpleasant to be enjoyable in any way. However, we did indeed mostly agree that this was a good, entertaining read an we scored an average of 4 out of 5, with one 5. And now we're all off to watc the film!

Next Month: 'The Lie' by Helen Dunmore, one of our favourite authors.

## **DEBUT** presents **HEART & MUSIC**

An exceptional night of songs from the West End and Broadway

On Saturday 14th March in St Peter's Church, Ugborough from 7 p.m.

Featuring West End performer James Nelson and joined by vocalists Morvern

Harrison, Gareth Wynne and Cat Orton.

Under the Musical Direction of Jon Orton

Tickets £10 from Helen Hart, Philomena Jones or Sue Johns

Wine bar available from 6.30 p.m.

Pasty supper following the concert



## Your Stars Tonight.

I am chewing on my sustainable organic oat flakes when I hear a dread incantation intoned by the steamed dietor. "Twixt moor and sea, still stands fair Ugborough in moss and stone." I groan inwardly knowing

that she is girding her loins to edit another edition of the Ugborough Parish Newsletter. I tiptoe out the door into the darkened garden with gloomy foreboding that yet again the stars will be sealed off behind the clouds - for in truth "Ugborough nestling twixt moor and sea" is not conducive to star studded nights.

We were travelling back from Bognor Regis after a successfully signing up Gina'n'Paul to lead our 2015 sales drive at the prestigious bric a brac stall at the next Ugborough Fayre. We had set off for Ugborough just after sunset and Venus was shining bright in the cloudless Western sky - showing us the way home. But by the time we came over the top of Haldon Hill there were only fleeting glimpses of clear sky. It did not bode well for star gazing in Ugborough. But "Surprise! Surprise!" the sky was clear over Lutterburn Street. "Would it last?" - a quick check for Ugborough Beacon on the excellent Metoffice website (the 36 hour forecast on cloud cover always seems pretty accurate) looked promising. Another quick internet check on The Skyandtelescope website showed Jupiter's moons were having a busy night - Io disappearing as it crosses Jupiter's face and Europa eclipsed by Jupiter's shadow at 22.24 hours - and that was something I wanted to see.

That gave less than 30 minutes to swallow a sandwich, double wrap against the subzero frost and get the telescope operating. With minutes to spare I was ready, but the cloud decided to roll in from the coast and Jupiter and its 3 visible moons blinked in and out of view in the murk. Europa was some distance from Jupiter and then suddenly it was gone - completely obscured by Jupiter's shadow and dead on time. The seeing was crystal clear but I was irritated by a tiny jet black floater in my eye that kept appearing - and then I realised I was seeing the shadow of Io thrown onto Jupiter's surface

This was turning out to be a fabulous night for star gazers so I grabbed the binoculars hoping to spot Comet Lovejoy and it did not take long to find as a very slightly green haze almost directly overhead and on the very edge of naked eye visibility, {It should be still visible in Andromeda at the beginning of February} By now it was wonderfully clear - just right for photographing Jupiter through the telescope- but then one o'clock struck and I suddenly realised it had been a long day. And anyway there is always tomorrow.

Of course I forgot - this is Ugborough - so tomorrow it rained.

#### SPORTS REPORT - Janner Motson

Youth Football Update- A mid-term progress report is due so that you can kee up-to-date with your favourite Uggies team.

At the top of the club, the U16s continue to struggle and have yet to get a wi They suffered from injuries early on and have yet to recover to a stable 13 player each week. This has meant a different back four every match and over-reliance c less experienced members of the squad. Coach Peter is working on it and I hop that some stability is found soon.

The U13s are doing very well with a squad of mainly U12s and have great spiri They have not had many points, but they run teams close and have a wel coordinated back four. They lack size and pace so scoring goals can be difficul but they are no push-over. The U12s share players with the U13s and are sittir  $4^{th}$  in their table. They lack consistency, but have plenty of talent so should finis strong.

The U10s were in the wrong division and suffered from loss of key players an some really good opposition; however, they are now where they should be and ar unbeaten in the new division following some great performances. Although a little short of squad members they are a good unit and pass the ball well.

Last up are the U8s, who have done so well in a short time that they now compet in the first division, where they look comfortably at home. They have a new an able keeper and are learning their roles quickly. I saw them happy to try flicks an skills in recent games that bodes well for their future.

All this has been made possible by a committed coaching and management tea that has 2 FA qualified Level 2 coaches, 3 Level 1 coaches, a goalkeeping coacl Treasurer, Chairman, Secretary, Welfare Officers, website organiser an supporting parents who run the line, referee, collect money and rise to th occasion when called. If you want to be involved come to the ICC astro ever Saturday 9.30-11~a.m.

I have received 2 items from Ugborough residents about an unpleasant subject concerning inconsiderate dog owners. I am going to repeat the advice from Tracey Weaver, South Hams District Council Dog Warden on 01803 861117

The mornings and evenings are now darker, which means that we all need to be extra vigilant when we are exercising our pets. Please ensure that you are proper prepared for a stress free walk by having a torch so that you can see where you dog has fouled, and plenty of poo bags so that you can clear it away and dispose c it as required by law. (SHDC Dog Control Orders 2013) There is no excuse for ar dog fouling anywhere in SHDC Towns, Villages or the surrounding fields.

## Stream/drains at entrance to Higher Bowcombe Farm. Amanda Sneape

Most of you will be aware the drains around this area are very sensitive to becoming blocked with leaves etc., since we have been here we have tried, whenever possible, to keep them clear. However, we have recently noticed that black 'poo bags' are frequently the cause of the problem and would request that the person or persons who are throwing them into the stream and surrounding area could please stop doing so. When the drains become blocked the water cascades across our entrance and down the road, which, in freezing conditions, causes ice and a danger to everyone. Many thanks.

## Storm drain in village Michael Bolton.

Somebody is walking a dog (or dogs) on the road from the village towards Toby Cross and when it relieves itself collects the result in non-degradable black plastic bags, and then pushes them into the storm water drains. WHY? The result that they eventually collect where the storm drain surfaces below Bank End and blocks the water from returning underground. This causes it to flow down the road creating considerable flooding of the road. Clearing the storm drain is a very unpleasant job so would the culprit please desist and take the offending bags home to dispose of them in the grey bin.

#### Around the Parish.

Recently I have been asked if I would include more details of regular events in our busy Parish. While I do not have information yet about regular classes at the Village Hall, I am including this month's events at our three wonderful (and very different) pubs. Please support them.

## The Anchor, Ugborough

Wednesday  $11^{\text{th}}$  February- Ladies who Lunch - 2 course lunch with wine and a Guest Speaker. Cost £15 per person.

Valentine's Day, February  $14^{th}$ , also available  $13^{th}$ . - 3 course dinner with wine. Cost £59.95 per couple.

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February- Shrove Tuesday- free pancakes between 3-4 p.m. 19<sup>th</sup> February- Chinese New Year- themed meal of 4 courses, £19.95 per person. Also regular Pie Nights on Wednesdays. Tapas evenings 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays of month.

# The Ship, Ugborough

Regular Burger Nights in the bar on Thursdays and Fish and Chips on Tuesdays. Also a Valentine's menu is available.

# The Horse and Groom, Bittaford

Valentine's menu available on  $13^{th}$  and  $14^{th}$  February at £39.95 per couple including wine.

Gypsy Folk Night on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February with Belfast Busker.

Ugborough Parish Council Clerk: Sarah Woodman 01364 661127 email: ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk Website: www.ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk The Parish Council budget and precept was the major feature of the Januar Parish Council Meeting. The Parish Council is increasingly taking on responsibilitie from the District Council, such as maintaining the Bittaford playground, and th projected expenditure has risen to reflect this. To make ends meet, the precept (Parish Council element of your Council Tax) will increase to £15000. The average Council Tax band will be paying £20.91 to Ugborough, which represents an increase of £1.22 since last year.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan progress has been well publicised throug its recent leaflet distribution. After the two consultation events in January, further workshop is planned to produce the Interim Report. Follow the progres on the website (www.ugboroughplan.org), Facebook or Twitter - and get involved!

**Planning applications** Only one, for the change of use from shop to residential c the Post Office Stores, 5 Beacon Terrace, Bittaford, to which no objections wer raised.

**DCC Clir Hosking** was following up complaints about potholes, and is chasing up th grit bin we were promised at Lutterburn.

SHDC Clir Holway reported on the pressures facing SHDC, including a reduce central Government grant, and the reduction in District Councillors at the nexelection. A meeting about the travellers proved disappointing, as progress we likely to be slow - although Clir Holway advised that DCLG funding was available they a suitable site.

**Dartmoor National Park** is leading the way in promoting self-build housir opportunities under the government's 'Right to Build' initiative. The Vanguar Project on Dartmoor aims to identify:

Local people with a genuine wish to pursue a self-build project in their communit Land which may be suitable for self-build. For more information and to register you interest, visit www.dartmoor.gov.uk/selfbuild

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Wednesday 4th February

## Bittaford Methodist Chapel Jutta Berger 01752 698381

Please come and join us at our services at 10. 30 a.m. unless otherwise shown.

February 1st Rev. David Youngs Sacrament of Holy Communion

8<sup>th</sup> Mrs.Lilian Sharp

15<sup>th</sup> Rev.Ralph Ward Sacrament of Holy Communion 2.30 p.m.

22<sup>nd</sup> Mrs.Sheila Merrin

Our Hall is available for hire. We have a small Tea Kitchen. All enquiries contact: Jutta Berger as above or e-Mail to: *juttaberger@tiscali.co.uk*Green Pastures Coffee Bar for families with small children.

Open every Friday from 10 a.m. 'til 12 noon including School Holidays!

## Lent Study Group

For Ugborough and Ermington the meetings will be on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 p.m. starting on February  $24^{th}$  at Whitsun Cottage, Fore Street, Ugborough, David and Sally's house

## Exploring Reader and Ordained Ministry - a day workshop

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2015 from 10 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. (latest!) at *St Luke's Church, Buckfastleigh* TQ11 0DA. For more information contact Philip Sourbut Tel 01392 817296 *philip.sourbut@exeter.anglican.org* 

Advance notice- Women's World Day of Prayer - St. Mary's, Diptford,

7.30 p.m. Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March (Men and women welcome)

This annual event has been prepared by the women of the Bahamas, the service being entitled "Jesus said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you?"

### Your Christmas Gifts.

Thanks to the generous donations of the congregations that attended the Christmas Services at St Peter's Ugborough, we were able to send £608 to The Children's Society.

It was wonderful to see around 400 people gathered in Ugborough Church to say our farewells and celebrate the life of our friend Shaun Andrews, who always looked on the bright side of life.

Our sincere sympathies to Mary, Sharon and all the family.

## St. Peter's Church, Ugborough Harberton Vicarage

My dear Friends,

I am putting pen to paper, well - fingers to keyboard, to be accurate, in the wak of the atrocities in France and having been listening to a debate on whether th pen is mightier than the sword and whether free speech is a holy grail.

There are obvious things to say - that there can never be justification for the sor of revenge taken against a satirical magazine; that one's sympathies and prayers  $\underline{c}$  to the relatives and friends of the victims and indeed to the whole French people that our security services deserve support as they strive to keep our populatic safe.

But there is also the major question about freedom - freedoms of every sort. You and I have the freedom to walk through these villages and country lanes with real anxiety because other people are not free to attack us; you and I have the freedom to spend our money as we wish because there are curbs on democrat government to dictate every detail of life; you and I can eat food with reasonable confidence because we trust manufacturers to observe certain standards a hygiene and safety. In short, each freedom we enjoy is because others are  $\mathbf{n}$ 0 free to remove it from us.

More importantly, our freedom is granted us by the Creator. We are not robot compelled to be good or to follow only one prescribed path - in learning relationships, work, attitudes, recreation etc. etc. We have the dignity of choic and decision making.

But these freedoms also place a responsibility on us - to choose our path of lif with care, to use our freedoms in a way that does not hurt others, to respect th different choices of others, to engage in debate about how society, busines public bodies, government and so on should conduct themselves.

We accept that we cannot control the world or put an end to much of the violenc and abuse that goes on. But we can exert enormous influence on our families an friends and the areas of life in which we are involved - and that influence can hav a ripple effect and reach a wider public than we imagine.

As Christians, known to be church going people, our responsibility is greater: we le Christ and our fellow Christians down when we fall short of the ideals set befor us by Jesus - of truth, love, tolerance, generosity, self-sacrifice and forgivenes and so on.

To keep our wills and intentions so motivated, we need to be in frequent an conscious touch with Jesus and our fellow Christians - principally in prayer, stuc and worship. If all of us who attended a Carol singing event around Christmas, the warm glow of Yuletide, were to carry that enthusiasm through the other eleve months of the year and use our times of worship and fellowship each week, not just

once in a while, to fuel our lives, we could make a real difference in combating evil with sheer godliness.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday - February  $18^{\text{th}}$  - not a bad time to start!! Let's all make a real effort to come closer to God and goodness this year. With love and prayers, Caroline.

The **Three Rivers Mission Community** covers the parishes of Diptford, Ermington, Halwell, Harberton, Harberton ford, Moreleigh, North Huish and Ugborough.

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Dr Elizabeth Tingle- 01548 821038 or

Jeremy Wells- 01364 72180

Parish matters may also be referred to our Reader

Dr. David Stafford- 01752 691525

## Village services.

A reminder that you can hop on board the Devon Libraries Mobile Library Service at Ugborough Square, Tuesdays from 9.30 a.m.-10 a.m. every 4 weeks.

The February visit will be on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

And don't forget to visit your Post Office in Ugborough Church on Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning.

## Contributions

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to this Newsletter.

Contributions should be sent to - Mrs. Norma Roe, The Editor, Ugborough Parish Newsletter, 20 Lutterburn St, Ugborough, Ivybridge, PL21 ONG.

The deadline is 15th of the month please. Thank you for keeping to this.

**E mail is welcome to** *norma-davidroe@tiscali.co.uk* (I use Microsoft word, font *C*omic Sans. Any articles as attachments in this format would be particularly welcome.)

Your Newsletter is available online at the Parish Council website and the Ugborough Website - http://www.ugborough.com/

If you have any stories, pictures, accounts of history, adverts you want to run or anything else to go on the web site for the whole parish please contact Richard Barker on 01548 821000 or email him at *richard@fowlescombe.co.uk* 

#### St Peter's Church Services in February

Date and time	Service
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 9.30 a.m. (Candlemas)	All Age Worship
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 11 a.m.	Sung Eucharist and Baptism
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 9.30 a.m.	Family Communion
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 7 p.m. (Ash Wednesday)	Sung Eucharist and Ashing
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 11 a.m.	Sung Eucharist and Baptism
Tuesdays (except school holidays) 9 a.m.	Celtic Prayer

<u>Advice from the Stroke Association</u> Stroke Helpline- 0303 3033 100.

Suspect a stroke? Act FAST and call 999

F= FACE weakness

A=ARM weakness

S=SPEECH problems

T=TIME to call 999. Early treatment can prevent further damage to the brain.

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