

UGBOROUGH PARISH NEWSLETTER

January 2018



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Garden Club Anne Holway



Happy New Year to all green fingered readers, and those who would like to be! We start the year with a party night on Thursday, 11th January. Please ring Anne on 01752 941872 for further details.

In February we plan a snowdrop walk which will be a day time event and subject to the weather.

Coffee Drop-In Centre

10.30 a.m.-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.

Ceremonial flying of the Flag

The flag will be flown on the following occasions-

January 9th

Birthday of the Duchess of Cambridge

January 20th

Birthday of the Countess of Wessex



Back by Popular Demand

Ugborough Dramatic Society presents:

Aladdin

A Panto by Tom Whalley

The fun, laughter and drama are back for four nights. Oh Yes it is!

Wednesday 31st January-Saturday 3rd February 2018

in Ugborough Village Hall. Doors close 7.15 p.m.

Tickets- Adult £7.50 / Child £5.00

Available from Susan, 3 the Square, Ugborough

07941 247207 or ugboroughds@gmail.com

Cheques payable to Ugborough Dramatic Society.

Few tickets left so book soon to avoid disappointment!



Ugborough and Bittaford Pre- School -(incorporating breakfast club and after school club) Charity Number 1043499- *Faith Matthews*

Open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday - Friday during term time in Ugborough Village Hall

Baby and Toddler Group (drop-in) - Monday 10 -11.30 a.m.

Contact 07763 215455

admin@ugboroughandbittafordpre-school.org.uk

We hope everyone had a peaceful Christmas and look forward to welcoming the children back, with stories of Father Christmas visits and what they got up to over the holidays. The end of last term saw our Christmas party, singalong and our excursion to see the Pennywell Farm nativity (with no shortage of real live animals, which the children loved!). In preparation for Christmas the children decorated small Christmas cakes to take home, made decorations to hang on their trees and got very, very excited.

December saw two further fundraising efforts. Many thanks to Ash and Hannah Todd for orchestrating the Charity Poker Tournament which was great fun and raised £215.00 Thanks also to Joan Haywood for organising the Hamper raffle, which was drawn at the last Ugborough Sustainable Saturday prior to Christmas and which was a lovely way to round off the 2017 fundraising efforts.

Huge thanks to all who helped organise, run and support these initiatives which are vital to ensuring we can provide high quality experiences for the children.

This new year we are delighted to be welcoming several new children to our Pre-School, and I'm sure the other children will enjoy making new friends with them in next to no time. Each child with us is allocated a Key Worker upon joining and this member of staff has special responsibility for them over the duration of their time with us. This feeds in to us being able to provide a rich learning environment for each individual child.

Following recent interviews we are pleased to have two new members of staff on board for After School Club. We welcome Martin Hill-Smith and Michelle Rowley - both of whom bring many years of experience and training working with children.

Baby and Toddler group recommences on Monday 8th January (10 a.m. in the Village Hall). All are welcome at this friendly drop in group.

Ugborough Church Bellringers

Invite You to Our

BIG BREAKFAST

Saturday 13th January

Ugborough Village Hall

8:30 a.m. to 12 noon

Ugborough Local History Group *Merryl Docker*

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a change to the scheduled January meeting on Wednesday 31st because it clashes with the famous Ugborough Panto (Oh no it doesn't, Oh YES it does!!) So please change your diary date to Wednesday 24th January at 8 p.m. Our friend Derek Gore from Exeter University will be delving into our very far distant past with 'Prehistoric, Roman and Early Medieval discoveries at Ipplepen'.

Come along and join us to see what secrets the past holds! New faces are always made welcome. A very Happy New Year to all our members and friends. [

Ugborough Fair 2017 News *Shelley Hutcheon*

Please find below a list of donations made from the profits of Ugborough Fair this year.

Church General Fund	£500.00
Newsletter	£100.00
Ugborough Village Hall	£1,000.00 (towards new roof)
Ugborough and Bittaford Pre-School	£700.00 (towards new build)
Community First Response - Modbury	£200.00 (in memory of Dave Hollett)
Ugborough Dramatic Society	£350.00 (towards curtains)
Erme Valley RDA	£215.00 (from Landrover Rally)
Church Bell Fund	£215.00 (from Landrover Rally)

Rail Ticket proceeds of £240.00 (£120.00 purchase which was then price matched by Great Western) - Village Hall

The Long Bar - profits to Erme Valley RDA

The Bellringers generated over £900 during Fair Week for the Bells

I think this is it!! Quite an amazing achievement for our village to be able to support all of these charities so well. Marvellous as my granny would say.

(Sincere thanks to all who made these generous donations possible by their dedication and hard work. Ed.)

Ivybridge U3A - *Jean Sherrell*

The January General Meeting of Ivybridge U3A will be held at 2 pm on Monday January 15th at the Watermark.

Our Speaker Mike Haywood will talk about-

"The Voyage of the Mayflower in 1620. The Myth and the Reality".

The Beacon Federation *Executive Headteacher - Mrs. Jane Byrne*

Ugborough Primary School.

It was lovely to see you at our Nativity at St Peter's Church - I am sure you will agree it was a wonderful way to round off the term.

We all look forward to seeing you all back hale and hearty on 3rd January 2018 ready for a term of hard work and personal achievement.

Year 3 will be looking forward to their Overnight Visit to Dewerstone Cottage on 25th January.

Ugborough Ladies' Lunch *Willa Howe*

The next Ladies Lunch will be held on

Wednesday 24th January 2018 at the Ship Inn Ugborough at 1 p.m.

Ladies wishing to reserve a place should contact Willa Howe

Tel. 01752 960173 Mobile: 07920118950

Email: *willahowe50@hotmail.com*.

Beryl's Bookworms *Norma Roe*

Our December meeting was party night- this year with a Greek theme- wonderful food and great company! Many thanks to Jane Johns for hosting and allowing us to play ridiculous and incredibly enjoyable games in her home.

Special thanks also to Sharon for devising the challenges - all with an appropriate Olympic theme! Synchronised swimming anyone?



Four River Dementia Alliance

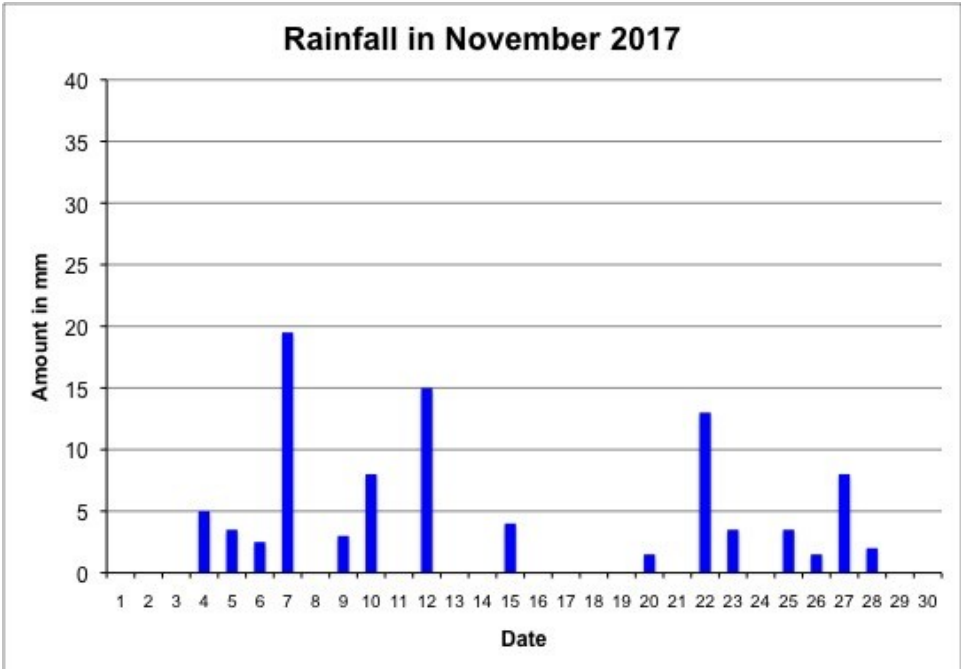
LET'S TALK ABOUT DEMENTIA IN OUR COMMUNITIES'

A conference promoting dementia friendly communities is being held on Friday 2nd February 2018 at The Watermark, Ivybridge from 9.30-3 p.m. Speakers include Gary Streeter MP, Ian Sherriff - Plymouth University, Helen Penwarden - Devon Federation of WI's and Dr. Edmund Jack GP. Everyone welcome individuals, carers, groups, organisations & businesses. Come and join us to find out how to support people living with dementia in your community or share your ideas and experiences .Buffet lunch. This is a **FREE** event -**Booking is essential** via

<https://talkaboutdementia.eventbrite.co.uk>. For more information contact ***Adrian@southhamscvs.org.uk*** Tel 01803 862266

Rainfall at Shellwood Hill *George Arnison*

November was another relatively dry month. I recorded 93.5mm (3 3/4") at Shellwood Hill- the second driest November since I started keeping records in 2010. It compares to the last four Novembers of 135.55mm (2016), 193.0mm (2015) 190.0mm (2014) and 120.5mm (2013).



The Three Rivers Mission Community

invites you to our Messy Church at Ugborough Church

on Sunday 28th January from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

Craft activities, songs, games and Bible stories

followed by a Party Tea

Everyone Welcome- All children to be accompanied by an adult

Clergy Contact: Rev'd David Sayle Tel: 01548 821199

or email: parish_sayle@me.com

or www.threeriversmissioncommunity.org.uk





Your Stars Tonight. The steamed dieter has always had a regrettable weakness for foot tapping to the rhythms of the traditional jig, so it was no surprise to find her in the front row for the return of Geraint "Jiggy" Edwards and Rick "Reels" the Stick to a local hostelry - note the careful abstaining from "Product Placement" in the Parish newsletter - although this could be readily altered by a movement of Bitcoins into the "Stars Tonight" account No. 146450 at the Bank of Cayman Islands.

The opening of the gig was reminiscent of those 60's Soul Reviews where the backing bands manfully played to an increasingly restive audience while the star of the show skulked back stage hoping to whip us into an anticipatory frenzy. In the absence of Geraint, Rick responded to plaintive cries of "give us a jig" by running through his extensive repertoire, which nowadays far exceeds the Spotify catalogue in number. It was well past the steamed dieter's bedtime when Jiggy swept into the room, but then disappeared into a scrum at the bar.

But eventually the creative tension had to be released and when Jiggy eventually hoisted his accordion onto his shoulders Jiggy and Reels launched with the volume of a Saturn V lift off. From the opening Mavericks' "Dance the night away" through to "Drunken sailor" the duo wove their two instruments around their gorgeous harmonies. Over the years (it must be 30 by now) Rick's voice has matured to become a rich Port against Geraint's Guinness flavour. An excellent night we all agreed as we eventually left and stepped out into the Ugborough night.

At this point I wanted to segue into a riff on the lines of "and the sparkling canopy of heavens above seems dimmed after these two stars". Unfortunately it is Devon; so it was dark, dank and drizzling.

But should there be a clear night this January 2018 then the glory in the night sky will be Orion marching across the Southern horizon, followed by his faithful dog whose head is marked by the brightest star in the sky, Sirius. To the west of Orion is the rather sprawling and undistinguished constellation of Cetus the Whale. One of its brightest stars at magnitude 3 is Mira, the "miraculous", which has a distinctly red appearance. Enjoy it over the next month because soon it fades from visual sight down to around magnitude 9 which is just visible with binoculars, before returning again over a regular period of 331 days. It seems that Mira is a huge old red star which bloats up to a huge size before shrinking back again - a bit like my waistline over Christmas.

Back to the Gym or perhaps regular workouts to Jigs 'n' Reels?

Ugborough Sustainable Saturdays -Sarah Scanlon

As I am writing this, we have just completed a very successful OAP Christmas party in the village hall. It was a fantastic turnout and all seemed to enjoy the food, drink and atmosphere. A very big thank you to all who helped, many hands certainly made light work.

The USS team have produced vouchers that can be used for products from the stalls or the café and we will be donating these to local charities as part of their raffle prizes. So if you have an event coming up and need raffle prizes, then just contact us.

Our next organised event will be a pot luck supper where all can bring along a savoury or sweet dish and drinks and we just enjoy each other's company. There is no entrance fee or raffle tickets to buy and all are welcome.

Let us know if you would like to attend closer to the day on the usual channels (speak to Val, Vici, James or Sarah) or e mail us at ugboroughss@gmail.com

The date is February 10th so there is plenty of time!

See you at USS in the New Year. The dates for January are 6th and 20th.

Please also note that USS on February 3rd will take place in the church as it's panto season!

Citizens Advice South Hams

Citizens Advice South Hams is a local independent charity and is one of over 300 local charities who together as members of the National Citizens Advice Bureaux make up the largest advice provider in England and Wales.

The Citizens Advice service helps people to resolve their problems, providing free, confidential, independent and impartial advice to everyone, informing them of their rights and responsibilities. The goal is to help everyone find a way forward with whatever problem they face. As an organisation it values diversity, promotes equality and challenges discrimination.

The issues that people have cover debt, housing, homelessness, disabilities, benefits, employment, consumer problems and more. Last year in the South Hams alone the charity helped over 4,300 residents resolve over 9,040 problems.

Citizens Advice watches for unfairness amongst the issues that clients present with and campaigns for change, influencing local and national policymakers and service providers. It is a major champion for citizens and consumer rights.

It is also staffed mainly by trained volunteers and relies on donations and funding to survive.

The local charity needs people to come forward as volunteers, as advisers, as administrators, as fundraisers and to help with PR. The type and length of training provided will depend on what role interests you. People from all walks of life

volunteer, those who have retired, those who want to return to work and need current work experience, young people wanting to add work experience to their CV's and those who are looking for their next direction in life.

To find out more contact [*volunteering@southhamscab.org.uk*](mailto:volunteering@southhamscab.org.uk)

It also needs people to help fundraise, the initial training for an advice volunteer is between £750 - £1000, with annual costs to then support that volunteer (supervision, quality checks, office space and IT infrastructure, further training, travel) between £2,500- £3,000. Citizens Advice South Hams already has 45 volunteers and needs more. It needs people to help raise funds doing anything from cake bakes, pub quizzes to triathlons.

To find out more contact [*friends@southhamscab.org.uk*](mailto:friends@southhamscab.org.uk)

It needs donations so it can carry on with its vital work either by cheque made payable to South Hams Citizens Advice Bureau and posted to Follaton House, Plymouth Rd, Totnes, TQ9 5NE or by visiting its website [*southhamscab.org.uk*](http://southhamscab.org.uk) For advice call 03 444 111 444 or come along to one of the drop in sessions at Citizens Advice, Follaton House, Monday - Thursday, Between 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. or 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Citizens Advice South Hams is a Registered Charity, number 1091133.

Ugborough Parish Council

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Website: [*ugboroughparishcouncil.org*](http://ugboroughparishcouncil.org)

The proposal for 7 self build/custom build homes at Lutterburn Farm dominated the public session at the start of the December Parish Council Meeting. The main concerns related to the access and drainage/flooding, and reports on these issues, which had been submitted as part of planning application 3460/17/OPA, had not been made available to the public nor to the Parish Council - and some of the letters of objection had not made it onto the SHDC website, either.

Other concerns from the public included the use of Ugborough Square during the day as a 'Park & car share' facility, leaving no spaces for local residents or visitors. Speeding vehicles along Lutterburn Street continued to be a hazard, and Cllr Hosking would look into possible changes in national policy on 20mph speed limits.

District Cllr Holway reported on the Ivybridge Neighbourhood Plan 'yes' vote; SHDC's proposed community lottery to fund good causes; and an Enforcement Notice on the travellers at Hillhead, which may take up to 18 months.

County Cllr Hosking reported on the disappointing outcome of his meeting with DCC Highways, which confirmed that no funding would be made available to improve the B3196 from Kitterford Cross to Loddiswell. The Parish Council will be

complaining and will encourage other Parishes affected to express their disappointment. Two useful helplines were given - the Anti-Terrorist Hotline 0800 789321 and the DCC Domestic Abuse Helpline 0345 1551074.

The Neighbourhood Plan has reached the examination stage, and adjustments are being made so that it aligns to the emerging Joint Local Plan, rather than the previous Development Plan documents.

Planning Applications considered at the meeting are listed below, with the Parish Council recommendations given in **bold**:

- Change of use of agricultural land for camping site, glamping site and provision of facilities block (amendment to planning approval 4190/16/FUL to extend campsite area) at Dunwell Farm, Ugborough Ref 3714/17/FUL **Support**
- Outline application for residential development of 7 self build/custom build homes built to high sustainable zero carbon standards, with access from Lutterburn Street at Lutterburn Farm, Lutterburn Street, Ugborough Ref 3460/17/OPA **Abstain, in the absence of the flooding and access reports, which formed part of the planning application and have not been made available to the Parish Council or public. Letters of objection were also missing from the website.**
- Erection of 3 industrial unites for B1, B2 & B8 use, associated parking and new road access at Site at SX6935 5891, Woodpecker Inn, South Brent Ref 3854/17/FUL **Neutral, subject to a satisfactory report on access arrangements.**

The Burial Ground fees were reviewed at the meeting, and this prompted Cllr Holway to make a plea to those visiting the graves to take their rubbish away with them (plastic water bottles, dead flowers etc). The Parish Council pays to have the rubbish collected and relies on volunteers to put out the rubbish sacks, so your support in removing the rubbish would be greatly appreciated.

TAP funding from SHDC/DCC is being sought for gully sucker hire, to reduce flooding in our lanes; and for a defibrillator to be provided in the redundant Wrangaton phone box. Decisions on these applications will be made at the beginning of February.

Ugborough Parish Council grant funding of £120 has been made to Citizens Advice South Hams, and £250 has been offered to Ugborough Church towards replacement floodlighting. The bench next to the church steps is terminally rotten and partially blocks the steps, so it will be removed when the Christmas tree is cleared away - other seating is very close by.

The Devon Highways Parish & Town Council Conference, attended by your Councillors Beable & Holway, was promoting DIY kits to fill potholes, which our

Community Lengthsman could use. A little bit more research is needed, but could this be the answer to our hazardous lanes?

Useful advice is regularly sent through to me, and here are some nuggets of information which may be useful to you, too:

- **Cybercrime** is one of the most common offences committed in 2016, with an estimated 2 million incidents, compared to 686,000 burglary offences. And while householders often take simple precautions such as installing double locks or deadbolts, just 28% of people in the south west follow the latest advice regarding password strength. The most common types of cybercrime reported in the south west are "Phishing" (asking for internet bank login details) and "Spearphishing" (family or friends asking for financial help). Remember - bank and other reputable companies will **not** request login information by email. For more information, go to www.actionfraud.police.uk or www.cyberaware.gov.uk
- **Connecting Devon & Somerset** is helping you 'Get up to Speed' by running General Data Protection Regulation workshops and, with the Heart of the South West Growth Hub, 'Your Digital Toolkit for 2018 - Preparing your business for the digital future'. For more information, go to <http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/get-up-to-speed/events/>
- **Sign up to school closure alerts** this winter in 3 easy steps by going to https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKDEVONCC/subscriber/new?qsp=UKDEVONCC_4 and entering your preferred email address and the schools you want information on. For the latest information and travel advice from Devon County Council, follow **Twitter @DevonAlert**.
- **Western Power Distribution Affordable Warmth** aims to reduce fuel poverty by lowering your fuel bills and making your home more energy efficient. For more information, call 01392 248 919 or visit www.devoncommunities.org.uk

Confused by the long weblinks? Then access this Newsletter online at ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk to copy & paste the links.

Finally, thanks are in order to Richard Prowse, who provided our magnificent Christmas tree in front of Ugborough Church, and to the volunteers who helped tidy up Ugborough Square - a great improvement!

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd January, starting at 7.30 p.m. Agenda and minutes will be displayed on the noticeboards and website.

Bittaford Methodist Chapel *Jutta Berger 01752 226733 mobile 07265285828*

Please come and join us - we look forward to welcoming you. Our services start at 10.30 a.m. unless otherwise stated.

Sunday 7th January- B. Youngs

Sunday 14th January at 6 p.m. - Rev. Lawrence- Covenant Service

Sunday 21st January- Mr/Ms Smart

Sunday 28th January- C. Lawrence

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!

St. Peter's Church, Uqborough

A letter from our Priest in Charge- Rev'd David Sayle

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Traditionally at this time of year we hear a lot about resolutions and new beginnings. The Christian faith is about new opportunities so I invite you all to join us in the '2018 Year of Prayer.'

This is simply an invitation for the whole year to commit to spend a few minutes each day in prayer, and to come along to special occasions in our Churches where we can spend a few moments reflecting and praying together.

Prayer is an opportunity of developing our relationship with God, through it we meet and get to know God. We have all encountered various situations when we find prayer difficult or we are simply not sure how to begin. The two following guides may be helpful as I invite you to join with me in this 'Year of Prayer.'

Five-Finger Prayer:

- When you fold your hands, the thumb is nearest you. So begin by praying for those closest to you—your loved ones for example. cf.Philippians 1:3-5.
- The index finger is the pointer. Pray for those who teach—the Church, those who help others reflect on God and especially all who teach cf. 1.Thessalonians 5:25.

- The next finger is the tallest. It reminds you to pray for those in positions of leadership and authority—national and local leaders, and your supervisor at work cf.1 Timothy 2:1-2.
- The fourth finger is usually the weakest. Pray for those who are in trouble or who are suffering cf.James 5:13-16.
- Then comes your little finger. It reminds you of your smallness in relation to God's greatness. Pray for yourself and ask God to supply your needs cf. Philippians 4:6,19.

Or you might want to follow the **Church of England's Cycle of Intercession.**

Every day

- ¶ In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life
- ¶ In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs

Sunday

- ¶ The universal Church
- ¶ Bishops, synods and all who lead the Church
- ¶ The leaders of the nations
- ¶ The natural world and the resources of the earth
- ¶ All who are in any kind of need

Monday

- ¶ The media and the arts
- ¶ Farming and fishing
- ¶ Commerce and industry
- ¶ Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger
- ¶ All who are unemployed

Tuesday

- ¶ All who are sick in body, mind or spirit
- ¶ Those in the midst of famine or disaster
- ¶ Victims of abuse and violence, intolerance and prejudice
- ¶ Those who are bereaved
- ¶ All who work in the medical and healing professions

Wednesday

- ¶ The social services
- ¶ All who work in the criminal justice system
- ¶ Victims and perpetrators of crime
- ¶ The work of aid agencies throughout the world
- ¶ Those living in poverty or under oppression

Thursday

- ¶ Local government, community leaders
- ¶ All who provide local services
- ¶ Those who work with young or elderly people
- ¶ Schools, colleges and universities
- ¶ Emergency and rescue organizations

Friday

- ¶ The Queen, members of parliament and the armed forces
- ¶ Peace and justice in the world
- ¶ Those who work for reconciliation
- ¶ All whose lives are devastated by war and civil strife
- ¶ Prisoners, refugees and homeless people

Saturday

- ¶ Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love
- ¶ Those whose time is spent caring for others
- ¶ Those who are close to death
- ¶ Those who have lost hope
- ¶ The worship of the Church

You may find that neither of these guides are helpful for you and if that is the case, please feel free to contact me so we can look at patterns of prayer which may be more suitable. Whether you are used to praying, or this is a new idea, please take join others around the Mission Community in a '**Year of Prayer**'. Remember the only way to discover if prayer is effective is to pray, so go on, **give it a try**.

With every blessing,

Rev'd David

The Three Rivers Mission Community Study Course will continue on Thursday 11th and Thursday 18th at 7.30 p.m. at-
Cherry Knoll, Totnes Road, Ermington, PL21 9NS

As 2017 closes, we think of those in our community who have lost loved ones during the year and our thoughts and prayers are with them.

St Peter's Church Services in January
All services now start at 9.30 a.m. unless otherwise stated.



Date	Service
Sunday 7 th January	All Age Worship- an informal service where all are welcome.
Sunday 14 th January	Holy Communion
Sunday 21 st January	Service of the Word- a less formal service led by members of the congregation.
Sunday 28 th January 4.30 p.m.	Holy Communion Messy Church
Thursdays at 12 noon	Mid week communion

The **Three Rivers Mission Community** covers the parishes of Diptford, Ermington, Halwell, Harberton, Harbertonford, Moreleigh, North Huish and Ugborough. You can find out about everything that's going on across all the parishes at its website,

www.threeriversmissioncommunity.org.uk

For all church business and parish matters, please contact
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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 0NG.

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 Comic Sans. Any articles as attachments in this format would be particularly welcome.)

Your Newsletter is available online at the Parish Council website ugboroughparishcouncil.org and at ugborough.com

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Village services.

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

The date for January is 16th.

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