

# The Overton Oracle

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At the time of going to press Overton is subject to all Wales Covid-19 Alert Level 2. Use your common sense! The latest information is available on <https://gov.wales/coronavirus> or on <https://www.wrexham.gov.uk/coronavirus>

## Welcome to the Playcentre Open Day

If you have a child who will be 2 years old soon, or you want to reserve their place for when they turn two later this year, then book to come along to our next **Open Day** on Saturday **12th June** 10am until 3pm. There are still time slots available so do phone 01978 710688 or email us [overtonplaygroup@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:overtonplaygroup@yahoo.co.uk) We would love to chat to you and meet your family!



## Litter picking

With restrictions easing the litter picking days have returned. The next day will be on the **June 5th** and then the first Saturday of every month after that, meeting at 10am outside the Corner Shop for an hour's litter pick around the village. Pickers can be provided.



## Did you spot the Scarecrows

around the village. Photos on the Oracle website.



## Pill blister packs

It is with regret that Terracycle, the recycling company, have pulled the plug on taking the foil/blister packs for recycling that were being collected at the Overton Pharmacy. An alternative for recycling is being looked for.



## Overton 2021 Fete Lite is a GO! Saturday June 26th

### Bunting

By June 26<sup>th</sup> Overton will be transformed – we're hoping – with the longest string of bunting the village has ever seen! Let's see how many of us can put up bunting along fences, hedges, fronts of houses to really get us in the festive mood.



### Stalls

Then, on the morning of the 26<sup>th</sup> June (10.00 – 1.00pm) we're inviting organisations and businesses who would normally have taken a stall at the fete to still take a stall in locations around the village. The location map has been uploaded on the OCC website, and has been posted on social media, or you can contact Charlotte or Katrina (see below for contact details) for another copy.



There will be no formal charge for stalls but for those who wish to, we're suggesting a suggested £5 donation to charity (Hope House and Nightingale House are the suggested charities but if you have a charity you support please make your donation to that charity if you would prefer)

### Community Picnic

Then, the Community Picnic in the Park commences at 1pm (till 4pm). This is a free event, open to as many Overton residents as possible but in case we still need to operate track and trace please book your spaces in advance so we know who and how many people will be coming.

Bring your own picnics (but please no BBQs) to the Playing Field and stake out your plot! Feel free to bring decorations to make your picnic spot stand out from the crowd if you like! There will be a raffle – proceeds going to Hope House and Nightingale House so please dig as deep in your pockets as you can.



It's not the 'full fat fete' (that will return in 2022 all being well) but let's make Fete Lite 2021 a chance for the community to come together to let their hair down which, after the year we've had, we definitely deserve

Please contact Charlotte or Katrina to book your stall, to register your picnic place or for any other queries. If you can donate a raffle prize then please let us know that, too!

**Bring on 26<sup>th</sup> June - we look forward to seeing you all there!**

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## Seeds from St Mary's - with Rev'd. Peter Mackriell



Dear Friends,

I have had much cause to think about the mental health impact of the Covid-19 crisis; as you probably know, I spend half my week working for Chester Diocese looking after the mental health and wellbeing of clergy and others referred to our counselling service. It has been interesting to track the referrals to the service through the last fifteen months and I have certainly noticed a rise in recent weeks.

In a very interesting interview for the Radio 4 programme "The Life Scientific" (still available on BBC Sounds), Professor Richard Bentall of Sheffield University commented, "It never was going to be the case that everybody would respond to the pandemic in the same way." Research suggests that there was an increase in depression and anxiety when Covid hit, not necessarily reflected in referrals because people were avoiding doctors and hospitals; but has there been the expected tsunami of mental health issues? He shared some figures, which suggested that of those surveyed through the first year of the pandemic,

- 60% proved to be highly resilient
- 25% saw an increase in anxiety and/or depression over time
- 10% were actually doing better
- less than the remaining 5%, have persistent mental illness, not pandemic related

The first figure is hugely encouraging; people have found ways to support themselves through this time of trauma – and, indeed, there is much evidence that we weather collective trauma much more easily than individual traumas. There does seem to be some truth in the idea that "we're all in this together", although I have resisted the cliché that we're all the same boat, preferring to say we're all in the same storm but in our own (different) boats.

That 10% of the surveyed group were doing better is intriguing; apparently this has been a time when people in mid-life, often with settled careers and teenaged children, have flourished. They have rather enjoyed lockdown and the benefits it has brought in a calmer routine, time to spend with the nuclear family, and no financial worries. When I shared this with one group, however, someone said that his teenagers were very stressed by the whole experience, so that just proves we can't generalise!

It is probably less surprising – and rather worrying – that for 25% of the population, anxiety and/or depression has increased. Apparently, the elderly and people in their 20s have been particularly susceptible. I am beginning to hear this in the calls I have been receiving in recent weeks. Elderly people have felt the isolation more deeply, and younger people have been disproportionately impacted by job losses, risk of eviction in rented properties, reduced contact with others in work, college or community settings, and the pressures of caring for young children, including home-schooling.

Some of these factors may be relieved in the coming months, but for some there is an increase in anxiety as we return to social interaction. This may be health-related anxiety, particularly for those not yet vaccinated. But it can also be a social phobia; we have become acclimatised to our own small spaces and the thought of having to mix with others is initially disturbing. For some this has been illustrated by the experience of seeing scenes on television of people mixing – "I wouldn't want to be there", we find ourselves thinking – or the sense of personal space being invaded in a shop or in a casual encounter with a neighbour. We may take some time to become confident again in social situations.

There may not be a tsunami of mental health problems in the coming months, as we emerge from lockdown, but there will certainly be those for whom these are very real issues. We may find that we want to take time now to reflect, to notice what impact the last year has had on us, to choose what to change, what to go back to, what to keep from this strange experience. All of this may be supported by people like me, counsellors and therapists; or we may reflect with family, friends or through methods like journaling or art work. Reflection itself is an important part of our recovery.

Churches and other community groups may also be able to offer places of calm, curiosity and connection. These three 'C's will help us recover. We need peaceful, non-anxious spaces – physical spaces and relationship-spaces. For me, the garden is a place of calm; there are also profound moments of peace to be found in the holy spaces that are our church buildings, and in prayer and meditation.

Being curious about our experience, taking time to reflect, is the beginning of recovery for those who feel battered and bruised by the last fifteen months. We can support each other in listening to each other's stories, being curious without being intrusive; to listen is to love, and this is such a simple way of fulfilling the law of love.

And we all need to rebuild connection. Most of us find that we do need others – and even when there is anxiety about a return to normality, we do want to get over the hurdles and meet with others in community. Gently does it; a coffee with a friend, a walk in the park, attending a mid-week service before we walk in to a full church. We can be kind to ourselves as we negotiate the coming weeks, and kind to one another, but we do need to be in community, connected.

I hope and pray that you find those who can encourage you in your journey – whatever the coming months bring.

*Peter Mackriell*

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Rev'd Jo Mackriell, on her ordination as priest in St Asaph Cathedral on Saturday 26 June.

## Overton Growers 2021 Competitions

The Overton Community Growers will be running two competitions this year:



1. The biggest sunflower - it's not the tallest one that will win this year but the one with the biggest head. So choose your seed varieties wisely and get planting this week.
2. Hanging baskets- not everyone has a garden, but everyone has a bit of space for a hanging basket, big bright begonias or maybe something more unusual like herbs & veggies?

No prizes, it's just for fun, but we shall feature the best ones on our Facebook page and in the Oracle. Judging will take place in September, dates to be announced nearer the time.

## Winner of the Poetry Competition

sponsored by the Overton on Dee WI

### Trump's Reasoning

Doctor Lilian told President Trump, that  
Three Brazilians had died from a Covid 19 bat.  
Trump's face went ashen white with shock.  
Blood drained, he was unable to walk,  
He collapsed heavily on to the floor.  
Minutes passed until he was able  
To get back in to his big chair.  
The Presidential staff were all  
Stunned at this rare display of emotion.  
They waited for him to speak,  
Or even Tweet with a social posting.  
Finally the President looks up  
And asks a question of Dr Lilian,  
Just how many peoples is a brazillion?

*by Steven Thomas-Spires*

Thank you to everyone who entered our Poetry Competition, the judge was impressed with the range and quality of the entries and we will run this again in 2022.

**Overton Recreational Club** has now reopened and it has been lovely to welcome our members back. We have followed all government guidance to ensure a socially distanced, safe environment for all. We are open every evening until close, 7.00pm open Monday to Friday, 4.00pm open on Saturdays and 3.00pm open on Sundays. The pool room has had a much needed revamp and while pool is off limits at present we have darts and snooker available. Bingo has returned every Thursday and every other Sunday, as well as the quiz. Most major football matches will be televised on our big screen TVs. Membership will be carried over from last year for anyone who had paid their subs. For new members it's just £4 per year. Contact us for more information. Our prices have remained the same and we will be introducing new lines of various bitters and ales.

Follow us on Facebook "Overton Recreational Club" for all updates and we look forward to welcoming you again soon

## St Mary's Aided School, Overton

### MIDDAY SUPERVISORY ASSISTANT

**5 hours per week (1 hour per day Monday to Friday 12pm – 1pm)**

**Hourly rate £9.25**

**(TERM TIME ONLY WITH NO TERM TIME LEAVE)**

Do you enjoy working with children? Do you want to work in a school?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, flexible and committed member of staff to join our professional and supportive MDSA team. You will be providing supervision and support for children whilst they are eating their lunch and afterwards in the playground. Experience of being with children, either as part of a family or working with them, is essential.

The Governing body seeks to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant to undertake the supervision of the pupils in the dining hall, playground areas and school premises and any other appropriate ancillary duties.

If you interested/require further information about the post or to get an application form, please contact St Mary's School on **01978 710370** or email

[mailbox@stmarys-overton-pri.wrexham.sch.uk](mailto:mailbox@stmarys-overton-pri.wrexham.sch.uk)

## Wear a flowery hat!

Please put Friday, 18 June, in your diaries - it's Wear a Flowery Hat Day!! In fact, that whole week is Britain's Flower Week when we are asked to wear our floweriest clothes, skirts, blouses, dresses, and yes, gentlemen, shirts, ties, waistcoats, and to decorate the house with flowers. Remember we are all doing bunting for the fete the following Saturday so make it flowery and hang it early.

Brain Tumour Research has long promoted Wear a Hat Day for their fundraising and so we will have another front door sale at 22 High Street from 10 am to 4 pm, selling home made cakes and raffle tickets for this good cause that doesn't get the publicity it deserves. £5 a bag just as on Red Nose Day BUT wear a flowery hat and get £1 off!! The Playcentre are joining in and the children are making their own flowery hats, so if they can do it, everyone can. Hope to see you then.



## The Overton Oracle needs you

If the Oracle is to continue we need a Chairman and some new committee members. Could you help?

The Oracle committee is not a lot of work. It's a get-together once a month for an hour, usually in the pub, it's keeping your eyes and ears open for news and views, and it's proof reading the draft Oracle to spot the spelling mistakes and errors.

There's no fundraising to do as the adverts and a grant from OCC should cover the cost of printing, and our wonderful distributors are volunteers. But to be an organisation that can apply for a grant and have a bank account we have to have a committee.

If you could help **please** email [overtonoracle@gmail.com](mailto:overtonoracle@gmail.com) or ring 710631.

## Overton Community Growers Update

### Growers & Wildlife group volunteer day:

Thanks to the Landfill Disposals Tax Community Scheme grant we have obtained, we are now able to run a series of monthly volunteer days that aim to help the local environment. Our first one involved planting wildflowers in St Mary's churchyard and the car park. Unfortunately the mixed wildflower plug plants we ordered were delayed due to the cold snap in April, but we still had lots of primroses, foxgloves, snowdrops, cyclamen, native daffodils and bluebells to put in. We also weeded out more dandelions and ground elder in the car park garden to make way for more wildflowers & bee friendly plants. It was great to have volunteers from Wrexham Refugee Council and Just Across Drop-in brave the weather and work with us too.

You may have noticed the addition of some strange creatures and characters in the car park garden, thank you to Dough Nation & all involved in organising the scarecrow competition, the growers kids (and the adults) have had great fun making them.

### Scout Hut area:

The old worn out boxes have now been replaced by two brand new planters. Thanks to the 'Dads and Grandads' in the growers who braved a rainy Saturday to help build them, especially Paul from 'Granary Joinery' for his expertise and 'Timber Direct' in Penley for the discounted wood. They look great and should last a good few years.

For more information or to join in [overtongrowers@gmail.com](mailto:overtongrowers@gmail.com)



## Overton Playcentre

Our Oren Bubble have really enjoyed playing in our Outdoor Learning Area in the mornings with our mud kitchen and our water play! We are outside in all the weather even when it's been good weather for ducks! Although not our baby ducks - they have hatched out and will have their first swim with us next week with the children singing 5 little ducks, before they get too big and have to go back home to Lily and Martyn's Poultry! we have also loved our minibeast work including making a big snail home and worm homes too!



Our Gwyrdd bubble have been busy growing plants and selling them at the end of the drive, making scarecrows to enter the scarecrow competition as well as taking delivery of 2 tonnes of sand for a large sandpit that will also be fabulous for Holiday Club! With Sweetie Friday too they have nearly made enough to buy a very robust educational bike for the older children which we are excited to order very soon (when they've agreed on the exact one they want!).

St Mary's Out of School Club is going from strength to strength as more parents return to work. They are also making full use of the outdoor area at the school. See details of our Open Day on Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> June on Page 1, and AGM on Page 8, contact us for Zoom link.

Huge thanks as always to the wonderful businesses, groups and individuals who continue to support us throughout this pandemic including as always Overton Butchers! Thanks to Overton Council Community Chest fund the staff have been making great use of the outdoor coats purchased with the grant to make full use of the lovely rainy weather!.

## Green bins payment

Wrexham Council begin accepting renewals for green bins on line from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June [www.wrexham.gov.uk/gardenwaste](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/gardenwaste) Do not try to renew before that date. The service start was delayed last year due to the pandemic and consequently all subscriptions were extended to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021. The cost is again £25 and will run till September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022. If you have a neighbour who doesn't use the internet perhaps they could pay you the £25 and you could register online for them at their address. I know I did this for several people last time.

*John McCusker*

## Overton on Dee W.I. News



When I came to live in Overton, I had absolutely no intention of joining a W.I. It is quite a common story too; I think people have a preconceived idea about it, with images of a lot of stuffy old ladies drinking tea and eating cake. (OK, we do like cake.) I am so glad I did join this wonderful, vibrant and evolving group because our W.I. is brilliant. It is so much more than a meeting once a month and the Village Produce Show. There is always so much going on, whether it's a community event (we promise that our Village Handicraft Show will resume next May!) a regional initiative, or a National campaign.

The history of our own W.I. is long and varied, fascinating and humbling. We are doing all we can to make sure that its future is just as wonderful. Our Programme is full of interesting and fun events and has been throughout all the lockdowns. Trips and tours are planned, along with afternoon teas and coffee mornings for the whole village to enjoy.

We have enjoyed creating our Scarecrow display outside the Village Hall, and look forward to seeing all the others around Overton. We will be taking part in the Fete, in whatever format is planned for this summer.

This month, we were entertained by Sarah Slater, Senior Lecturer and Hampton Court Tour Guide with "Living with The Ghosts of Hampton Court Palace" a fascinating insight to the paranormal myths and legends surrounding this wonderful building, the home of Henry V111 and the Tudor Dynasty. It has certainly inspired us to visit and see for ourselves the rooms behind the stories, and hope to plan a trip for next year.

We are all looking forward to being able to get together properly very soon, and in the meantime would like to invite you to discover more about our W.I. and all we have to offer.

Thanks as always to Jill and the team at the Overton Oracle for keeping the Village connected, and to our local businesses for all they do for our community.

*Margaret O'Neill 01978 710451*

## Overton Wildlife Group

We were very pleased to receive a letter from the House of Commons this week, with Simon Baynes MP getting in touch to congratulate us on our funding. Simon is a regular follower on our Facebook page ('Overton Wildlife Group') and so gets updates on the work we're doing. He writes "Groups like yours really do help preserve and protect our natural world, which is currently under threat from the impacts of climate change and careless human behaviour."

### Volunteer days

We started our volunteer days with a day planting and pulling at St Mary's church and the car park wildlife garden. Planting snowdrops, primrose and pulling ivy and dandelions. We were very pleased with the huge turn out we had, with many hands making light work. *(photo right)* Our next volunteer day will be planting wildflowers in the mini meadows on Saturday 26th June.

### Green roof

The bug hotel in the playground had a bit of a spruce up this week. We installed a green roof composed of sedums. Sedums are great for wildlife, particularly bees. We will be returning soon to plant wildflower plug plants in the surrounding mini meadows.



## Two Doves

At Two Doves we are FULLY open indoor at last. We are open Tuesdays to Thursdays 9.00am to 3.00pm, Fridays and Saturdays open 9.00am to 4.00pm. Check out our website [www.2doves.co.uk](http://www.2doves.co.uk) or Facebook page We look forward to welcoming you back.

*Nicki and Lou*

## The White Horse

The White Horse is fully open. Bar menu available on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays plus some specials as well. Open for Sunday Lunch 12.00 to 3.00pm. Booking advisable.

## St Mary's School - Learning in the Great Outdoors

It was **Wales's Outdoor Learning Week** 19-25th April and so the whole School took their learning outside. Taking our class topics as inspiration, this led to a whole range of cross-curricular learning opportunities outdoors. The sun shone and the school grounds were alive with activity as we embarked upon maths, literacy, science and geography lessons in the great outdoors.

Year 1 and 2 used their topic of 'Where We Are' to celebrate our place in Wales and went on a hunt around Overton to spot signs that tell us we are in Wales. *(photo right)* You might have spotted them around the village on their treasure hunt looking for signs and objects which they then used to create maps and information about Overton.

Year 3 have been reading the book 'A River' by Marc Martin and so their outdoor learning took on a watery theme with pond dipping and building their own river channels. Amongst many other activities, Year 4 and 5 got busy cutting back and pruning in the history garden. Charlie in Year 4 said, "I felt excited because we got to take care of the environment."

In Year 6, in Science, we have been learning about Carl Linnaeus and his system of classification of living things, so we explored the school grounds and mapped and identified a variety of trees and plants using their Binomial names. Being outside really brought our learning to life but we also felt the benefits to our health with Tigs saying: "I really feel being outside more has benefited my mental health and wellbeing."

We would like to say a huge thank you to Wildbanks Conservation who cleared our pond area recently and transformed an overgrown space into another fantastic outdoor learning area at St Mary's. It was amazing how many tadpoles and newts we discovered during our pond dipping sessions!

## Show Racism the Red Card - Competition Winners!

On 22nd April, Year 6 participated in an online workshop, along with other Wrexham Schools and Wrexham Football Club to support Stephen Lawrence Day. We learnt about his legacy and focused on themes of friendship, respect and difference. We heard from players about their experiences of racism, and pupils from every school had the chance to ask questions, with the best question winning a signed Wrexham FC football. We were thrilled that St Mary's were named the winners with Jess's well-considered question: "Do you think racism in football has affected players' mental health?" It was certainly a thought-provoking session.

*by Year 6 Reporters Tigs, Tomos and Jess and Mrs Williams (Year 6 Teacher)*



### News from our Wrexham CBC Councillor

I have organized for the pot holes to be filled on Cloy Lane and you will notice a few were done recently. Highways now realise over it's length a lot more tar is required with a more permanent fix. So in the next few weeks sixteen ton of hot tar with a roller will be in your lane. Not quite sure of the date yet but some temporary diversions might be in place whilst repairing particularly bad sections.

Also I appreciate broadband is an issue for many residents and I have had a site visit with Wrexham's broadband guru who is investigating and I will report back as soon as I can. I am also conscious of other badly pot holed areas and I am trying to get them sorted if possible at some stage.

*Cllr John McCusker*

### Contact your Member of Parliament Clwyd South

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### Contact your Wrexham CB Councillor

(Schools, planning, dustbins, dog poo, potholes etc)

*Cllr John McCusker*

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### Contact Overton Community Council

(Playing Field, Cemetery, Fete, Community grants etc)

- Email: [clerk@overton-on-dee.co.uk](mailto:clerk@overton-on-dee.co.uk)



### Overton Royal British Legion 120 Club

Results of the "120 Club" Draw for May 2021. 120 members entered and the draw was made on Wed 12th May 2021. Winning numbers were selected by Alan Mawdsley.

#### Winners: -

- 1st Prize £240.00 No 17 Hayden Austin
- 2nd Prize £120.00 No 87 Sara Jane Bangay
- 3rd Prize £ 60.00 No 118 Diane Johnson
- Legion Fund: £180.00

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Next Draw will be a **BONUS DRAW** on Wednesday 9th June 2021

**Please Note: THE RBL "120 CLUB" DRAW WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE PLACE EACH MONTH DURING THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS.**

If you wish to join please ring DAVE AUSTIN 01978 710678.

**"IF YOU DON'T PAY YOU DON'T PLAY"**

**Thank you for your Loyal Support**

More photos from the Overton Community Growers & Wildlife group volunteer day in St Mary's churchyard and the carpark garden, helped by volunteers from Wrexham Refugee Council and Just Across Drop-in.



*Adverts are not included in the on-line archived edition of the Oracle. This is because the archive of the Oracle is available on-line going back many years and the adverts and contact details would be out of date.*

## What's On

**June Diary for St Mary's & St Hilary's**  
 Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>  
 10.00am All Age Worship 11.00am Holy Communion  
 Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup>  
 11.00am Holy Communion 9.45am Morning Prayer  
 Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup>  
 11.00am Morning Prayer 9.45am Holy Communion  
 Sunday June 27<sup>th</sup>  
 11.00am Holy Communion 9.45am Morning Prayer  
 Every week:  
 Mondays 5.00pm Evening Prayer (not May 31st)  
 Wednesdays 9.15 am Holy Communion  
 Thursdays 8.30 am Morning Prayer  
 For all service details see  
<https://www.stmarysoverton-on-dee.org/worship>

## June Diary for Overton Methodist Chapel

Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Rev'd Neville Pugh  
 Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Mr David Young  
 Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Rev'd Phillip Poole  
 Sunday June 27<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Mr Martin Woodhall

**Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>** 10.00am Village Litterpick. Meet outside the Corner Shop.

**Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup>** 6.50pm Overton Community Council meeting held remotely via 'GoToMeeting'. If members of the public would like to "attend" they should contact Katrina Chalk on [clerk@overton-on-dee.co.uk](mailto:clerk@overton-on-dee.co.uk) for log in details. Members of the public wishing to speak can do so 6.50pm-7.00pm.

**Thursday June 17<sup>th</sup>** 7.00pm Overton WI meeting on Zoom. Speaker: Christine Pearce with "Three demonstrations of flower arrangements".

**Friday June 18<sup>th</sup>** 10am-4pm 'Wear a Flowery Hat' Day in aid of Brain Tumour Research. Cake stall at 22 High Street.

**Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup>** Overton Playcentre AGM on Xoom, contact Playcentre for the link

**Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup> Overton Fete**  
 10.00am-1.00pm Stalls around the village  
 1.00pm-4.00pm Community Picnic on the Park

**Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup>** 11.00am-3.00pm Wildlife Project Volunteer Day planting wildflowers in the mini meadows.

**Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup>** National Thank You day

## For Sale

## Family Announcements



**Happy June Birthdays** to Margaret Williams, Cynthia Smith, Elizabeth Coward, Heugo Heard, Marlene Williams, Katharine Crockford, Jill Burton, Ken Roberts, Andrew Brookfield, Graham Manley, Colin Bamber, Nicole Netzbant-Piggott, Andy Myers, Rosie Myers, Stephen Perrin, Tracy and Kayleigh Leech, Kate Best, Claire Hellingman, Brenda Lewis, Jenny Horton, Neil Evison, Sara Williams & Matthew Tombs.

**Sincere condolences** to the family and friends of Nick Dunn of Willow Street who passed away in May.

**Sincere condolences** to the family and friends of Glenys Lloyd who passed away in May.

## New church website

St Mary's Church has a new website with information about the church, forthcoming services and events. The plan is to expand the website to better serve the community, local people will be able to use it to announce special services, such as Weddings, Baptisms, Memorial Services and Funerals and pay tribute to a loved-one who passed away recently, or years ago, on the Memoriam page. Those wishing to make use of this free service or who have any other suggestions for the site should contact -

Rev Peter Mackriell at [revpeter@maelormissionarea.uk](mailto:revpeter@maelormissionarea.uk) or Joanne Kember on [overton@maelormissionarea.uk](mailto:overton@maelormissionarea.uk)

Log on to the website at

[www.stmarysoverton-on-dee.org](http://www.stmarysoverton-on-dee.org)

**Thank you** Thank you for all your cards, presents and best wishes for my birthday. I had a lovely day.

*Eileen Palmer.*

## Dustbin Days

Thurs. June 3<sup>rd</sup> General Waste & Recycling / food  
 Thurs. June 10<sup>th</sup> Garden Waste & Recycling / food  
 Thurs. June 17<sup>th</sup> General Waste & Recycling / food  
 Thurs. June 24<sup>th</sup> Garden Waste & Recycling / food

## PLEASE REMEMBER

**Copy deadline is 20<sup>th</sup> of the previous month.**

Get your events & news to us early to avoid disappointment

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