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THE COLDRIDGE CALENDAR

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DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2025:

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www.middevonparish.co.uk/coldridge AND OUR "WHAT'S ON IN COLDRIDGE, DEVON (WOICD)" FACEBOOK PAGE AT: www.facebook.com/groups/coldridge

VILLAGE HALL 'REGULARS':
TAI CHI: CLASSES RUN FROM
4.00pm, EVERY MONDAY

PILATES & CHAIR PILATES: EVERY TUESDAY, FROM 5.30PM

Sunday, 31st AUGUST

10.00am: CHURCH MISSION COMMUNION 4.00pm: CHURCH: 'SONGS FOR JOSH'

Monday, 1st SEPTEMBER

2.30pm: CHURCH: CHURCH CAFÉ

Wednesday, 3rd

2.30pm: HALL SUNSHINE SINGING

Friday, 5th

7.00 for 7.30pm: HALL **SOCIAL/FILM NIGHT:** Film: Main Feature tells the story of the creation of a Welsh star & 'national treasure. (Cert 12A/2025)

Sunday, 7th

10.30am: CHURCH: MORNING PRAYER

Tuesday, 9th

2.00pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE QUILTERS

Wednesday, 10th

7.30pm: HALL: WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Talk by Devon Air Ambulance

Thursday, 11th:

1.30-3.30pm: HALL: *Introduction to Chinese Brush Painting;* Workshop with Mary Moult 7.00pm: HALL: ADULT TABLE TENNIS

Friday, 12th

7:00pm: HALL THE COLDRIDGE ARMS

HARVEST WEEKEND!

Saturday, 13th

2.00pm: HALL: HARVEST FESTIVAL DISPLAYS

Sunday, 14th

5.00pm: CHURCH: HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE 6.00pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE HARVEST SUPPER

Thursday, 18th

7.30pm: HALL: **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** (Commencing with Public OPEN FORUM)

Sunday, 21st

10.30am: CHURCH: HOLY COMMUNION

Thursday, 25th

10.30am –3.30pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE CAFÉ

11.00am and 2.00pm: CHURCH TOURS

(Booking Required, please email coldridgeparishchurch81@gmail.com)

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7.00pm: HALL ADULT TABLE TENNIS

Friday, 26th

7.00pm: HALL: CRIB CLUB

Thank you all for your Notices, News and Events for this issue.

The copy deadline for our OCTOBER issue is <u>SUNDAY</u>, <u>21st September</u>. Please may I have all your items, in WORD or JPEG format, no later than then.
Many thanks; John W Smith

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NEWS FROM ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH: WORSHIP, SERVICES & EVENTS:

Firstly, a Round-Up of our AUGUST services and events:

Our special, Lammas Day event **"St Matthew's Goes Outside"** took place on Sunday 3rd down by the Lake at Higher Chilverton.

Despite a slightly overcast day, with a threat of rain (what's that?), we all enjoyed a lovely short service, led by Peter Rapsey and with prayers and readings given by different members of the community. This was followed by a 'Bring Your Own' Picnic, with free Tea, Coffee and Cider on tap. A great event. Thanks to Andrew and Lyn for hosting it. Must do it again sometime!

On **Sunday, 31**st **August**, we welcome congregations from our neighbour parishes in the NW Creedy Mission Team to a **Team Eucharist at 10.00am**. This will be led by Rev. Jeremy Putnam. It would be great if the people of Coldridge could be on hand to make them all welcome. The collection from this service will be given to the **'Young Lives vs Cancer'** charity (formerly known as CLIC Sargent), the charity that is supporting Josh and his family during his treatment in Bristol.

Also on Sunday, 31st August, at 4.00pm, is our 'SONGS FOR JOSH' event in church. This follows the format of our popular 'Hymns & Pimms' services. It provides a further opportunity to offer moral support Keeley, Joe and Josh and their wider family, through prayer, song and community 'togetherness'. Please come along and support them all. (This is not a fundraiser.)

Our service pattern in **SEPTEMBER** is as follows: **Morning Prayer at 10.30am on Sunday, 7**th

Harvest Festival Service on Sunday, 14th at 5.00pm, Followed by Harvest Supper at 6.00pm in the Hall. Booking Required, please. Tickets are £5.00/Head. Please see separate posters, etc...

Holy Communion for St Matthew's Day on Sunday, 21st, led by Rev. Peter Rapsey, at 10.30am

CHURCH CAFÉ:

The Cafe, this month, is on **Monday, 1**st **September starting at 2.30pm**. Everyone is very welcome to join us in the Church for Tea/Coffee, Cakes and Biscuits and, as usual, some very cheerful conversation.

John Smith & Andrew Green (Churchwardens)

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To book a trip or to join the team (we urgently need to recruit new volunteer drivers) please contact:

John Smith on 01363 83436 or email: biggles1047@gmail.com

GARDENINGCLUB:

Gardening Club took August off to catch up in the garden and we're back in September in partnership with St Matthew's Church PCC to host and celebrate the Coldridge Harvest Festival Weekend on 13th and 14th September. This celebration is open to all to welcome the season of abundance to our village. See the 'newsletter within the newsletter' for more details and keep an eye out for more details to come in the next couple of weeks.

If you are not (yet!) a member of the Coldridge Gardening Club, and would like to see what it's all about, please drop us a line on coldridgegardeningclub@ecomail.uk for more **Tracy Forward** details.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



WI took a break over August and enjoyed the sun. We are back on Wednesday, 10th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall with a talk from Devon Air Ambulance. This talk will deep dive into the vital work of Devon Air Ambulance and discover the lifesaving difference we can make within our local community. This talk provides valuable insights into the DAA mission, showcasing inspiring stories of how our support directly impacts lives. Learn about operations, but also see firsthand how our involvement can help ensure that they are always ready to respond when every second counts. For more information visit their website on www.daat.org

New members are always welcome or come as a guest (£3). Meetings are held (with the odd exception) on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Subjects range from charities and local interest groups, cookery demonstrations and craft workshops to the arts and wellbeing. Look out for more information on the village socials. Hope to see you soon. Lyn Green (WI Secretary)

THE AMBER FOUNDATION:

This wonderful working organisation, based up at Chawleigh, does a fantastic job, rehabilitating young adults back into being useful and proactive members of society. I have worked with the residents for several years and I am constantly amazed at how these young lives are turned around, changing them from hopeless to truly hopeful. They fully deserve our support at our Harvest Festival.

Thank you. John Smith (Editor)



HELEN'S MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING 2025

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen personal circumstances, I am unable to host my usual MacMillan Coffee Morning this year. However, I do have a supply of Collecting Boxes and so I am very happy to collect and pass on your donations should you wish to support this very worthwhile charity.

Thank you all for your past support and going forward. Helen Rockfield, Coldridge, EX17 6AX. Tel: 01363 83436

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An Introduction to Chinese Brush Painting

Autumn Workshops with Mary Moult Winkleigh Community Centre and Coldridge Village Hall £25.00 per workshop



Fridays 10.00 - 12.00 a.m. 19 September, 17 October and 14 November

Coldridge Village Hall Thursdays 1.30 - 3.30 p.m. 11 September, 9 October and 20 November

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COLRIDGE GARDENING CLUB & ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH PCC PRESENTS

Celebrate - Share

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Give thanks

COLDRIDGE

Amber transforming lives

Harvest Festival

Weekend 13th & 14th September

give thanks for the harvest from our gardens and surrounding fields. The Coldridge Harvest Festival Weekend will end events bel

Saturday 13th in the Village Hall

Exhibitors - bring your produce

for display
2pm til Doors open to all! Produce display
Tea & Coffee and Cake
Kid's Corner for Crafts and fun,



Sunday 14th - St Matthew's & Village Hall

5pm Harvest Festival Service everyone welcome! Harvest Supper in the Village Hall.

Ticket only



Exhibitors wanted!

We want to create a beautiful display of all the good things that come from the garden and kitchen. It's not a competition, just a display, and it's open to everyone to show off the fruits of their labour. We'd love to see veg, fruit, flowers, homemade preserves, chutneys and cake (wrapped). Please bring your exhibit 'display ready' if poss, e. on a plate/in a basket from 12noon ready for the doors to open at 2pm. This is also an opportunity to give as all produce displayed will be donated to the Amber Foundation.

Produce Display & Refreshments

From 2pm everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the display and join us for tea, coffee, cake and a raffle. Cash and Card is accepted for this event.

Kid's Corner

As well as the produce display and refreshments on Saturday afternoon in the Village Hall, there will be a Kid's Corner to keep the littlies amused with craft activities and Wonky Veg Competition - look out for more details about that soon!

Harvest Festival Service in St Matthew's

On Sunday 14th at 5pm there will be a Harvest Festival Service, and all are welcome. The service will be conducted by our new Vicar.

During the service, the congregation will be invited to bring food donations, give thanks for the bounty that surrounds us and enjoy some seasonal hymns, both traditional and contemporary, with a little help from Coldridge's own

continues with a Harvest Supper in the Village Hall.

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ALL PROFITS & PRODUCE FROM THE WEEKEND WILL BENEFIT A LOCAL FARMING FAMILY AND THE AMBER FOUNDATION

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COLDRIDGE

Amber

Harvest Festival Weekend 13th & 14th September

Harvest Supper

Join us for a celebratory two-course Harvest Supper in the Village Hall at 6pm, straight after the church service. Enjoy ham, salad and baked potato followed by apple pie, accompanied by some local cider if you like. There are only 60 spaces to this popular event and first come first served, so don't

This part of the weekend is ticket only.

To book your space see **John Smith** for tickets are £5 each (payable in advance, cash only).

Email John on biggles1047@gmail.com

to get your ticket(s) You can also book tickets online on the Village Hall website - look out for that info coming soon.



Traditionally, Harvest Festival is when

we give thanks for the crops safely gathered from the fields around us, our gardens and a celebration of the food we have. It's also a time for sharing,

and so we thought it would be a nice

idea to donate all the produce from

The Amber Foundation will benefit from the fresh produce. They support young adults (aged 18-30) facing complex problems and offer homeless support to

transform their lives by helping them move away from homelessness, out o

unemployment and work towards better, brighter and healthier futures. Read more about them at https://amberweb.org/

Saturday's display and church service

A time to share

will be donated to a local farming family going through a particularly tough time. The Coldridge community has been, and continues to support them.

What you need to know

There will be more details to follow to make sure you get the most out of the bumper Coldridge Harvest Festival Weekend, so keep an eye out on all the usual channels.

Any questions? Get in touch by events@stmatthewscoldridge.church

We look forward to seeing you all there.



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