

TEMPLECOMBE MESSENGER

December 2025/
January 2026
edition



Are you ready?

Are you ready? Ready for what? For work? For Christmas? For the New Year? For any eventuality? For a fresh start? Are you prepared? 'Be prepared' has been the motto of the worldwide scouting movement since 1907. In the words of Lord Baden Powell it: "means, you are always in a state of readiness in mind and body to do your DUTY".

How do you get ready for important events? Do you make lists? Is it important to be prepared, to be ready? What happens if you are not ready?

December is the season of Advent, a time of preparation. Getting ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas but also anticipating his return – the second coming. Christians believe that it is important to be ready for Jesus' return, because when he returns it will not be as a baby in a crib, but as the judge of all mankind. So Advent is a time of taking stock and of considering our life choices. An Advent candle is often lit daily and it was once a time of fasting, as a way of focusing the mind. Advent marks the start of the new church year.

In January, many of us will be thinking about making a fresh start, of resolutions that will hopefully make our lives better. But how often are they successful? Changing, improving, can seem impossible. The good news is that whatever our situation, Jesus offers us the possibility of a fresh start, no matter what we have done. That's why he came to earth as a baby over 2000 years ago. That's why he died an agonising death on a cross. So that we could experience the love of God and be forgiven for our bad choices. So that we could have a fresh start and could have the hope of life everlasting.

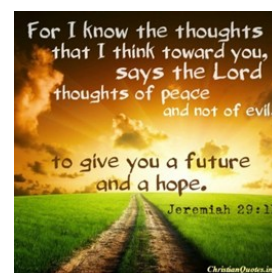
It is our prayer that this Christmastide you may experience the love and hope that Jesus brings and that you will find space to prepare your heart as well as your home for any eventuality.

We hope that as many of you as possible will join us for our Christmas services and also take part in our Crib Festival.

The St Mary's Worship team.

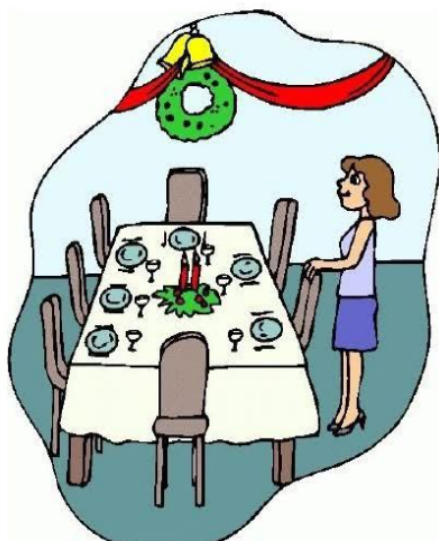
TEMPLECOMBE CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

7 th Dec	09.30	Bubble Church (Village Hall)
	10.30	Holy Communion
14 th Dec	16:00	Christingle Service
21 st Dec	09.30	Bubble Church (Village Hall) – dress up Nativity service
	18.30	Carol Service
25 th Dec	10:00	Holy Communion
28 th Dec	09.30	Bubble Church (Village Hall)
	10.30	Joint Benefice Holy Communion at Holton



TEMPLECOMBE CHURCH SERVICES FOR JANUARY

4 TH Jan	09.30	Bubble Church (Village Hall)
	10.30	Holy Communion
11 th Jan	10:30	Worship for Everyone
18 th Jan	09.30	Bubble Church (Village Hall)
	10.30	Morning Worship
25 th Jan	09.30	Bubble Church (Village Hall)
	10.30	Joint Benefice Holy Communion at North Cheriton



TEMPLECOMBE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

**PLEASE DON'T EAT ALONE ON
CHRISTMAS DAY!**

**Come and join with others
in the
VILLAGE HALL**

**If you would like to come along, please let
Jennie or Maria know by 15th December.**

Jeannie—01963 371054—stevensjeannie1@gmail.com

Maria—07918 605575 – maria1jill@btinternet.com

The lunch is provided by our Community Group Templecombe Together

Coffee Morning



At the Sports and Social Club

Recreation Ground Vine Street

11.00am to 12 noon

Wednesday's

**3rd and 17th December
2025**

All Welcome

**Contact tel. no 01963 370527
For more details.**

ABBAS AND TEMPLECOMBE

PARISH COUNCIL

**Meet at 7.15 pm every second Tuesday of the
month**

**At Templecombe Village Hall, School Lane, BA8
0HP**

All Parishioners are welcome to attend

Enquiries :

clerk@abbasandtemplecombe-pc.gov.uk

Tel no 01963 370527

**If any Parishioner has any concerns or incidents
of vandalism or anti-social behaviour, they
can report them to Avon and Somerset Police
Authority by either calling 101 or on their
website www.avonandsomerset.police.uk**



**THE RAILWAY TOURING COMPANY
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THE "SHERBORNE CHRISTMAS CAROL"**



CLAN LINE 35028

**LONDON TO YEOVIL
JUNCTION & RETURN
Passing Templecombe**

Approximate Times

Down at 13.00

Up at 17.00

**On Wednesday 3rd
December 2025**

**FOTS CHRISTMAS
PARTY (Fundraising)**

10.00 to 17.30

Refreshments provided by the
"Friends of Templecombe Station"

**A DONATION IN OUR
COLLECTION BOXES HELPS TO
KEEP OUR AWARD-WINNING
GARDENS LOOKING ATTRACTIVE**

(Please note: All Donations received are
used exclusively towards the upkeep of the
Gardens)

(FOTS are now working in Partnership
with Thales Group UK)

TEMPLECOMBE VILLAGE MARKET

AT THE SOCIAL CLUB

JAMS & CHUTNEYS
HONEY
JOURNALS
POTTERY
BIRD FEEDERS

**LAST MARKET BEFORE
CHRISTMAS!!!
LOTS OF GIFT IDEAS!**

KEYRINGS ETC
FRUIT AND VEG
ARTISAN BREAD
CAKES
BUTCHER
CHEESE

REFRESHMENTS

JEWELLERY

CARDS

LANPS

FLOWERS

WOOD

HONEY

TABLES £5 ANYONE INTERESTED IN HAVING A TABLE PLEASE
CONTACT MARILYN CHILDS ON 07535047128

NEXT MARKET

SATURDAY 6th December 2025

Templecombe Social Club



6th December 7.30pm

proceeds to Templecombe Youth Football

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Join us for a magical afternoon!

BOOKING EMAIL: TEMPLECOMBEEVENTS@GMAIL.COM

TEA PARTY



BAR



SANTA'S GROTTO
PRICES:
MEMBERS FREE!
£2.50 OTHERWISE

SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER, 4PM - 7PM

VENUE: TEMPLECOMBE SOCIAL CLUB

If you would like to come, please make sure you book
before 5th December, so we can let Santa know!



A Fond Farewell & Heartfelt Thanks

To all our wonderful customers, friends, and neighbours,

After 38 wonderful years, the time has finally come for us, Paul and Marianne , to hang up our aprons and retire.

It has been the greatest privilege to serve the community of Templecombe from our little fish and chip shop. We have watched children grow up and bring their own children in for a Friday night treat, shared in your celebrations, and been a constant part of many of your routines. We cherish every memory and every conversation.

We had always hoped to sell the business as a going concern to keep the tradition alive for the village. Unfortunately, despite trying for over a year, we have not found a buyer. It is with heavy hearts that we have made the difficult decision to close the shop for good.

This is not the outcome we wanted, but our own retirement can no longer wait. We want to thank you, from the bottom of our hearts, for your incredible loyalty and support over the last four decades. You have been more than just customers; you have been the reason we loved coming to work every day.

Our final day of trading will be 20th December 2025

A massive, heartfelt thank you to this amazing community for your support and friendship since 1986. We will miss you all.

Paul and Marianne xx

The three gifts of Christmas?

A short story by Christine Scott

You know when you get to a certain age, you get those gifts. Number one gift, the Teddy Fleece hooded blanket, hide away when wearing this garment. You certainly wouldn't look attractive, I look like an Eskimo in mine. Number two gift, the hot water bottle to go around your neck in it's fleece cover, it matches the blanket beautifully. I was wondering if I use number one gift at the same time as number two? Would I look cool? Don't answer that.

Number three gift is the food hamper so you won't go hungry during the festive holiday days. This contains a Chocolate Father Christmas, Mince pies, box of biscuits, chocolates in a tin, chutney, two packets of loose tea and of course don't forget the Christmas pudding. There was even a chocolate pudding for people like me who can't eat nuts. Good job I remembered to buy clotted cream before the big day.

I bought my husband two lovely cosy jumpers. He knew what he was getting, as he had tried them on in M and S. Then I committed the Christmas present giving sin, the massaging foot warmer! I saw it in B and M and as he has poor circulation etc. I thought the perfect gift. It's like a big cushion you slide your feet inside. When he opened his gift he had a strange expression on his face, like why, but I've also got to be grateful look. I asked him if he liked it, I could see he was struggling to answer. I pointed out that it would massage his feet, he still didn't look impressed. Sixteen days after Christmas it is still in its box.

On Christmas Day after lunch we visited a friend. We told her about our gifts, her daughter had given her a lovely coat. I was so envious. When I mentioned my husband's foot cushion she laughed her head off. She enquired if we had ever seen Billy Connolly's sketch called 'The Big Slipper'. I did a google when we arrived home. It's set in a retirement home, the old folks are all sat with these slippers on their feet. Unable to walk they have to hop around like bunny rabbits. I imagine my husband hopping around in one of his new jumpers with a mince pie in one hand and a glass of red wine in the other.

Don't get me wrong I'm grateful for my gifts, but I'm dreading next Christmas gifts. What will my three gifts be? A year's supply of Tena Lady, a big slipper and of course the food parcel! I'd rather be given a plane ticket to Spain or somewhere warm where I can relax on a sandy beach. I could use this years gifts from my husband, a suitcase and a very skimpy yellow polka dot bikini! I'll have just have to lose some weight.



CHRISTMAS MENU 2025

Appetizers

Spiced Parsnip Soup with Croutons
Meat Terrine with onion chutney & Ciabatta soldiers
"Old School" Prawn & Salmon Cocktail with brown bread

Main Course

Crown of Turkey with a cranberry jus & pigs in blankets
Salmon Wellington in a chive & watercress sauce
Beef Danube, hearty beef, mushroom & ale casserole
Feta & spiced root vegetable roulade



Sides

Caramelized Brussels Sprouts
Roasted Potatoes
Honey Glazed Carrots



Desserts

Sticky toffee pudding with custard
Xmas pudding served with brandy butter
Profiteroles

Cheese

West Country cheese plate served with biscuits, chutney, celery & grapes

3 COURSES £29.95

4 COURSES £34.95



From 29th November—20th December 2025



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

WITH US

Christingle Service

4pm 14 December

Bubble Church Nativity

9:30am 21 December (Village Hall)

Carol Service

6:30pm 21 December

Christmas Morning

10am 25 December



St Mary's

Abbas & Templecombe



Christmas at

Templecombe United Reformed Church

Thursday 18th December at 7.00pm -

Christmas Lights Carol Service

Sunday 21st December at 11.00am -

Carol Service

Christmas Day at 10.00am - Holy Communion

on ZOOM - Call 01963 370818 or

email templecombeurc@outlook.com for details

Everyone Welcome

***We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and every
Blessing in 2026***

Mistletoe

In Britain, most mistletoe is found in the south and west Midlands with particularly good populations in Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Gloucestershire, Gwent and Somerset. There is mistletoe everywhere, but it is only regionally abundant in that core area of the south-west midlands.

Change may be happening though—new evidence from the last 20 years suggest that mistletoe is spreading faster than it used to. This is particularly noticeable in eastern areas, where established but seemingly static mistletoe populations are now spreading. Is this change due to climate or to birds? It could be subtle hints of climate change—computer modelling does suggest that mistletoe will head heat with climate change. Or it could be something else. One possibility is better spread of the seeds by Blackcaps, a bird that is particularly efficient at spreading mistletoe. British Blackcaps migrate for the winter so they do not usually affect mistletoe here, but recently continental Blackcaps have started overwintering in Britain, with many thousands now spending their winters here and feeding on mistletoe and then spreading it.

Kissing beneath the mistletoe is a very old tradition indeed and although part of Christmas revels, mistletoe is rarely allowed inside a church because of its strong pagan associations. It is well known as the most sacred plant of the Druids, the priestly clan of the Celts.

If you have a young fruit tree in your churchyard, garden or elsewhere, how about encouraging mistletoe by smearing some berries onto the bark after Christmas is over. The thin bark of a young tree is easier for the mistletoe to penetrate and establish.

Submitted by Gemma Shave-Smythies

A FESTIVAL OF CRIB AND NATIVITY SCENES

2025

**BE CREATIVE AND TAKE PART IN ST MARY'S FIRST
EVER NATIVITY FESTIVAL**



All entries welcome and can be made of wood, stones, fabric, cake, cardboard or something you already have. The Cribs and Nativity Scenes will be on display in the church for the Christmas period to include the Christingle Service on Dec.14th and the Carol Service on Dec.21st

Just bring your crib or nativity scene to the church on Friday 5th or Saturday 6th Dec between 10am and 4pm

Templecombe Twilighers

Meets every other Wednesday in the
Social Club

3rd & 10th DECEMBER

Subs are £3—this includes tea, coffee
and biscuits

2pm—4pm

Please feel free to pop along for a cuppa and
a chat

Some weeks there will be activities.

For further details please call
Donna on 371241 (salon number)
Or Jacqui Dyer on 07713958354

The T-Birds

(Abbas & Templecombe Ladies)

We meet every 2nd Monday of the month
In the Village Hall

Our next event is on

Monday 8th December

7.30—9.30 pm

Members only.

Contact Sarah on 07890 543769

Market

and

Coffee morning

Horsington Village Hall

1st Saturday of the
Month

10—1

6th December 2025

St Mary's Church

Quiz night

Last Sunday of the month

At the Social Club

The next quiz will be on

Sunday 21st

December

8.15 pm

£2.00 per person—just turn up!

Raffle

Bar open

New Year's Eve



Templecombe Social Club

New Year's Eve Disco 7.30pm



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The History of Hogmanay!

Scots are known for throwing a great party, so it's no surprise New Year's Eve, or Hogmanay as it's known in Scotland is such an important day! Historically, Scots have focused more on Hogmanay than we have on Christmas, but why?

What is Hogmanay?

Hogmanay is New Year's Eve in Scotland. Hogmanay and its many traditions takes inspiration from the Nordic celebration of the shortest day, the Winter Solstice, and the ancient Gaelic celebration of Samhain. Hogmanay was the time of year when families would get together, have a party and exchange gifts, instead of Christmas. Hogmanay was prioritised over Christmas in Scotland because, for a long time, Christmas was banned in Scotland.

Why was Christmas banned?

Up until the Scottish Reformation in the 16th century, Christmas was celebrated in Scotland as it was in many countries. In fact, many of the classic Christmas traditions we know today originated in Celtic and Scottish society. "Yule" is a Scots word that comes from Old Norse and means the winter solstice festivities that took place from before Christmas Day all the way through until after New Year. Celtic Pagan traditions even included the burning of the Yule log, decorating an evergreen tree and kissing under the mistletoe!

However, during the Scottish Reformation, Christmas was banned. From 1640, Christmas was officially banned and any Scot who still wished to celebrate Christmas risked imprisonment. Such was the strictness of the ban, bakers were encouraged to inform the government of any customers who placed orders for any Christmas foods such as mince pies. Although the ban was officially revoked in 1712, it was still fairly frowned upon in Scotland to celebrate Christmas, due to the extent of the changes Scotland had underwent during the Scottish Reformation. Christmas did not become an official public holiday in Scotland until 1958!

For many Scots, Christmas Day was just another day and work continued as normal. The banning of Christmas led to New Year's Eve, Hogmanay, having more of an emphasis placed on it. Scots couldn't exchanged Christmas but they sure could celebrate the end of the old year and so, this is when Scots exchanged presents, attended parties and feasted. This is why Scotland has so many Hogmanay traditions.

Hogmanay traditions

Auld Lang Syne

Possibly the most famous and popular of Scottish Hogmanay traditions is the singing at midnight of "Auld Lang Syne". Published in 1788 by Robert Burns, 'Auld Lang Syne' is sung to bid farewell to the Old Year and say hello to the New Year. At parties throughout the world, on the stroke of midnight, partygoers link arm and sing Auld Lang Syne "for the sake of old times".

Loony Dook

Whilst most people might be recovering in bed on New Year's morning with a bad hangover, hundreds of Scots are braving the cold at Queensferry near Edinburgh to take part in the Loony Dook. Initially started as a way to quickly cure a New Year's hangover with a sharp wake-up call, the Loony Dook is now attended by hundreds of "Loonys", who give us their New Year's Day to take a "Dook".

First Footing

One of the most common Hogmanay traditions is the tradition of "First Footing". After the bells of midnight, it's a tradition to visit family members, neighbours and friends to celebrate the New Year and "First Foot" them. "First Footing" is the tradition being the first person into a house for the New Year and to wish them luck by bringing gifts and symbols of luck. Traditionally, a tall, dark male would bring the most luck and would bring shortbread, whisky and coal and gifts. It's believed that the dark-haired male bringing luck was a nod to the Viking Days when a blonde Viking stranger arriving at your door in Scotland would be seen as bad luck and, generally, pretty big trouble for the home-owner.

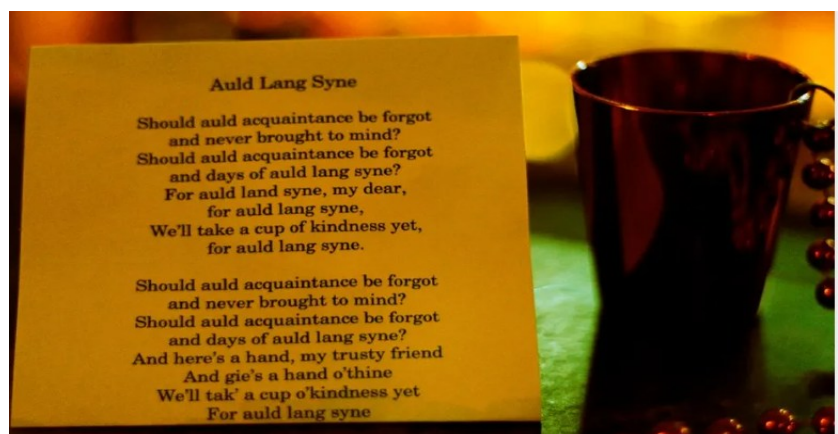
Redding the House

Scotland's version of the Spring Clean, "Redding the House" is a Hogmanay tradition to prepare your house for the New Year. "Redding the House" is when Scots would thoroughly clean their house in preparation for the New Year and to be ready for the fresh start. It's also said that to have a truly fresh start for the New Year, Scots would also pay off all of their debts.

Source: macgregorandmacduff.co.uk/blogs/news/the-history-of-Hogmanay

Possible origins of the work "Hogmanay"

- French: The most likely origin is the French word "hoginane" (gala day) or the medieval French "aguillanneuf" (meaning 'end-of-year gifts' or 'the new year'). Possibly brought to Scotland by Mary, Queen of Scots after she returned from France in 1561.
- Anglo-Saxon: Another theory suggests it comes from the Anglo-Saxon phrase "haleg monath (holy month)"
- Scandinavian: Some theories link it to the Scandinavian word "hoggo-nott" meaning "Yule"
- Greek: a possible, though less common, theory links it to a Greek phrase for "end of the year".



HAPPY

New Year

2026



TEMPLECOMBE SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB TWILIGHTERS EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY

2PM TO 4PM

SUBS £3 + £1 FOR RAFFLE

INCLUDES TEA/COFFEE/BISCUITS

ALSO INCLUDES ANY THINGS WE MAY DO LIKE
ARTS AND CRAFTS, PAY FOR PEOPLE TO COME IN
FOR TALKS ETC FROM CHARITIES

ANYONE OVER 60

CONTACT DONNA
FOR FURTHER INFOR

01963 371241



14TH & 21ST JANUARY



Friday 9th January

MEN WHO CHAT @ BUNTERS

COME AND JOIN US FOR A CUPPA AND A
BISCUIT ON THE 1ST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
FROM 2.45-4.45PM
"HELPING TO DEAL WITH LIFE'S CHALLENGES"

The T-Birds



(Abbas & Templecombe Ladies)

We meet every 2nd Monday of the
month

In the Village Hall

Our next event is on

Monday 12th January

7.30—9.30 pm

Quiz & gift swap night

Refreshments available.

Guests/non-members £3.50.

Everyone welcome.

Contact Sarah on 07890 543769

Coffee Morning



At the Sports and Social Club

Recreation Ground Vine Street

11.00am to 12 noon

Wednesday's

7th and 21st January

2026

All Welcome

Contact tel. no 01963 370527

For more details.

T Birds

Events calendar Jan—June 2026

January	Quiz night and gift swap
February	Allan Peters (Retired Royal Protection Officer)
March -	Dancing (loosely!) - Ballroom and Latin for beginners
April	Somerset and Dorset Animal Rescue (and AGM)
May	Healthy Eating
June	Art Session



Come along and meet us all—We really don't take ourselves too seriously!
Primarily we are a women's group, although gentlemen are welcome to attend any of our talks.

We meet on the 2nd Monday of every month, in the Village Hall,
7.30—9.30.

Refreshments available
£3.50 for guests/non members

Everyone welcome.

Contact Sarah on 07890 543769

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Tuesday January 6th

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COMMUNITY LUNCH At the Social Club

17th JANUARY 12 to 1.30

Free to everyone

Our lunch will be chicken curry
served with rice or baked
potato with cheese or beans

**The lunch is provided by our
Community group
Templecombe Together**



Useful Information:

Police – 999 (emergency)
101 (non emergency)

Bridge Fish & Chips

Opening times Thursday 5.00pm—8.30pm
Friday 12.00—1.30pm and 5.00—9.00pm
Saturday 12.00—2.00 and
5.00pm—8.30pm

Bunter's

Opening times—Wednesday to Saturday
9.00am—2.30pm
Thurs, Fri, Sat—6.00—10.00
Tel : 01963 548088

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01823 331345

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CAT (Community Accessible Transport)

Booking 01963 33864 (2/3 day's notice).
Small fee.

Citizens Advice Bureau 03444 889 623

Doctors – Station Road 01963 250334

NHS—111 (non-emergency)

Parish Council Secretary

Tina Chapman 01963 370527

Recycling Centre—Dimmer Lane, Castle
Cary, BA7 7NR 01963 350743

Somerset Waste Partnership 0300 123
2224

www.somersetwaste.gov.uk

Taxis – Terry's taxis 07795465492
Crabbs taxis 07950826962

Templecombe Social Club—01963
370710

Train services – Templecombe, Castle
Cary
National Rail enquiries 03457 484950

Camelot Explorer Scout Unit



Looking for fun, adventure and challenges:
We are open to any young person between
the ages of 14 to 18 years old.

If you want adventure, learn new skills, meet new
friends or just have fun. We have our meeting on a
Monday evening between 7—9pm

We meet at 2nd Templecombe Scout Hut, behind
Templecombe Village Hall BA8 0HP

Please contact:

Jason 07793 433375

Maria 07885 987350

2nd Templecombe Scout Group

Looking for fun,
adventure and
challenges?



Come and join us.
New members (boys and girls)
are always welcome.

Cubs	8 - 10½yrs	Wednesday	6:30-8:00pm
Scouts	10½ - 14yrs	Thursday	7:00-9:00pm

**For more information please
contact:**

Scouts:	Geoff Crabb	07976 885130
Cubs	Andy Smith	07733 000573

group email:
templecombe.gsl@btinternet.com

Templars Tennis Club



New Members
Always Welcome
Single adult and
family
memberships available.

Casual hire £5.00 per court per
2 hours

Membership:

Family	£60.00
Single Adult	£40.00

Please contact:

Peter Andrew (secretary)
01963 371053
or
Paul Hawkins (treasurer)
01963 370045

Templecombe Indoor Bowling Club (Short Mat)



Join us in Village Hall

Monday 2.00 to 4.00pm
Thursday 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Please contact

Chris Jeans (Secretary)
01963 364287

Or

Terry Loader (Chair)
terrence666@uwclub.net

Space for Artists!

Every Friday morning

10.00—13.00

Horsington Village Hall

Time and space to draw, paint, relax and grow.

Join us!

Alison 01963 370866



Horsington Art Group

Horsington Village Hall

Thursday Mornings
10:00am to 1:00pm

A friendly group who exchange ideas.

Some members are very experienced and can give advice.

New members are very welcome whether they are talented or beginners.

Come and join in for a no-cost trail session

John 07510 262457

• **Rhonwen 01935 389690**



Music Night



Third
Wednesday of
every month

7:30 until 10:30pm

Templecombe Village Hall

We usually sit in a circle and bring our own instruments to play, sing or recite a poem.

£2.00 for the evening

Enquiries: Alan Berry 01963 370716

alanberry215@btinternet.com

Templecombe Ladies Choir

Rehearsals every

Tuesday

7:00 to 8:30pm.

In the School Hall.



email:

annemarielees@gmail.com

Friends of Templecombe Station



All about the Friends and our Station

THE FRIENDS

For more information about the Friends or about joining the Friends please contact either Christine or Peter.

New friends are always welcome and there is plenty of involvement for all interests.

Christine Hillman (Chair)

07484 277549

Peter Hillman (Treasurer)

07549 953808

fots2014@btinternet.com



10:30 Second Sunday

Refreshments from 10am



TOGETHER
with the big family of God

St Mary's Church

Quiz night

Last Sunday of the month

At the Social Club

The next quiz will be on

Sunday 25th January

7.30 pm

£2.00 per person—just turn up!

Raffle

Bar open

A vibrant graphic for Bubble Church. It features two cartoon puppets, a boy and a girl, with large open mouths as if singing or shouting. In the background is a white line-art church. The text 'St Mary's Abbas & Templecombe' is at the top. Below it, 'BUBBLE CHURCH' is written in large, bold, yellow and pink letters. Underneath that, '9:30 every Sunday' and 'BOOK NOW!' are written in white. At the bottom, the website 'www.bubblechurch.org' is listed. The background is a mix of blue, green, and purple splashes.A graphic for the Daisy Chain Baby & Toddler Group. It features a decorative border of colorful daisies at the top. The text 'DAISY CHAIN BABY & TODDLER GROUP' is written in a large, black, hand-drawn font. Below it, 'Templecombe Village Hall' and 'BA8 0HQ' are listed. The schedule 'Thursdays 9:15 - 11:15 Term time' is shown, followed by 'Suggested donation £2.50 per family' and 'Refreshments for parents and children included'. At the bottom, a contact box contains the email 'Contact jessmr91@aol.com' and two social media links: 'https://www.facebook.com/daisychainbabytoddlers' and 'https://www.instagram.com/daisychain_toddlers'. The background is white with a green border.



**Templecombe
United Reformed
Church**

**Morning
Worship
Every Sunday
11am**

**EVERYONE
WELCOME**

TEMPLECOMBE SOCIAL CLUB

Club Opening times:

Friday—19:30—23.30

Saturday—16:00—23:30

Sunday—16:00 - 22:30

Monday— 19.30—23.30



The club will also be open on other occasions when Pool or Skittles games are arranged.

New members always welcome— £12.00 per yearly membership.

Function Room hire.

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