

Doynton Parish Pump

The **Memory Café at Doynton** will meet on **Thursday June 5th**, 2.00–4.00 p.m. at the village hall, for tea, cake and a friendly chat. We are promised a visit from some animal friends! Anyone with dementia or memory loss, with their family member or carer, is very welcome. For more information, see Facebook “The Memory Cafe at Doynton”, email mcdoynton [at] gmail.com or tel. 07817 311001. We would love to hear from potential volunteers, especially those living in Doynton.

Doynton village market: next markets **Saturdays June 7th and 21st**, 10.00–11.00 a.m., at the village hall. Come along for fresh seasonal vegetables, home-made cakes and savouries, heritage pork sausages, craft items, greeting cards and much more!! Stay for tea/coffee and a chat. We look forward to seeing you on the first and third Saturdays of the month, check us out on Facebook (Doynton Village Market), or tel. or message 07711 670704 before midday on the Wednesday before the market.

Doynton village fête: the fête is back on **Saturday June 14th** (1.00 to 4.30 p.m.) around the village hall and the orchard, with the usual range of summer attractions, including cream teas, barbeque, children’s sports, farm animals, Morris dancers, entertainer and brass band. Please put the date in your diary and bring any donations – bottles, home-made produce, plants, bric-a-brac, children’s toys, books, etc. – along on the morning of the fête.

Open gardens at the Old Rectory: **Saturday June 21st**, 11.00 a.m.–5 p.m. under the National Gardens Scheme. Admission adults £6.00, children free. Cream teas and other refreshments will be sold in aid of local village causes. The **gardens of Doynton House** will be open on Sunday July 6th, 2.00–6.00 p.m.

Holy Trinity church: the church guttering, which has been leaking for many years, has now been replaced with new powder-coated aluminium guttering, which should make the church a lot drier in future! Thanks to Andrew Read for managing the project, to National Churches Trust and Benefact Trust for their grants, and we’re also grateful to the kind person who left a legacy to the church, meaning that all the work could be paid for.

It was a beautiful sunny day on April 27th, and there was a good gathering of villagers for the **Friends of Summers Field cream tea** in

the orchard. Many thanks to those who baked scones and to those who came along to sample them. With your support, we raised £170 for orchard funds.

At the May meeting of **Doynton and Wick WI**, Fiona Edwards gave an illustrated talk on working with glass, explaining how a stained glass window is made, from the design to the finished article. Members approved the resolution to be discussed at this year’s Annual General Meeting of the WI, on training for the general public in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and use of a defibrillator to save lives after a heart attack. This year, the AGM will be held online instead of in the Royal Albert Hall (shame ...), but it gives our members the chance to tune in to the livestream – ask your committee for details. At the next meeting (Wednesday June 11th, 7.30 p.m.), Sandra Bateman will speak about the Brontë sisters, authors of the classics *Jane Eyre*, *Wuthering Heights* and many others. The competition is: “your favourite Brontë character and why”. All welcome at Doynton village hall. Remember to bring £15 contribution in cash for the mystery outing in July.

Advance notice of the **autumn feast and barn dance** on **Saturday October 11th** at the village hall. Proceeds to support Summers Field community orchard. More details to follow.

Don’t forget Warm Wednesdays: 10.30 a.m.–12 noon at the village hall, for tea/coffee, sweet treats and a good gossip!

Please donate any packets or tins of food you can spare to the **Doynton foodbank** and **North Bristol and South Glos foodbank** in the church porch. Many families are still in great need.

Down in the dumps: did you know that, if you want to visit the local waste recycling centre at Mangotsfield, you now have to pre-book a slot online? Go to <https://beta.southglos.gov.uk/book-recycling-centre/> to book a slot up to two weeks in advance.

The **Rev. William Langton charity** provides small bursaries for apprentice and educational purposes, i.e. books, tools or specialist workwear. For more information, please apply to the Chairman of the Trustees on 0117 937 4108.

Visit the Doynton village website, www.doyntonvillage.org, for news of upcoming events, Doynton history and useful local links. To publicize a Doynton event, email doyntonvillage [at] live.co.uk.