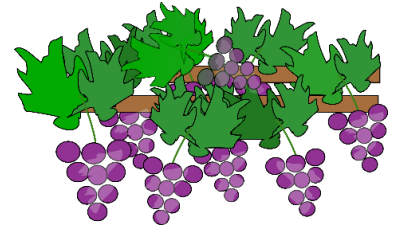




**THE GRAPEVINE**  
**COMMUNITY NEWS SHEET - MAY 2025**  
Please keep for the whole month



**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 11<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Dear CTKS Members, you are warmly invited to:

**Christian Aid Service Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 6pm** – a United Service in **The Sanctuary at the Chocolate Quarter.**

**Big Brekkie is Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am to 12 noon at Keynsham Baptist Church** – breakfast, snacks & drinks, plants, cakes, books/puzzles.

**For more details please see our webpage:** <https://www.keynshamparish.org.uk/christian-aid-week-2025>

**If you are able to help** please contact Wendy Robbins: [wrobbins0@gmail.com](mailto:wrobbins0@gmail.com) /Tina Stubbs on 0117 986 9664. Thank you for your continued support, Wendy & Tina.

**‘Breakthrough’ – Revd Trevor Stubbs latest novel!**

Dear CTKS Members ‘Breakthrough’ is the working title of my latest novel for teenagers. In a sci-fi setting, it tackles some of the challenges faced by our young people today whilst also having adventures and even fun along the way.

I am looking for people to ‘beta read’ the story before it reaches its final form. If anyone would like to offer to read the draft and make constructive comments, I would be delighted.

Just email me on: [whitegatesadventures@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:whitegatesadventures@yahoo.co.uk) With thanks, Trevor Stubbs.

**Strictly Worship** – an evening of praise and worship **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 6pm at Peasedown St John Methodist Church** – join us for an evening of worship.



**Blessings Course - Transformation Through God’s Blessing - Becoming a People of Blessing** – learn how to bring transformation to lives and communities through spoken blessings. Beginning **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm @ Peasedown St John Methodist Church.**



**Music @ KMC - Our Community Music Sessions:**

Tuesday evening during term time 7.30pm at Queens Road – **Keynsham Orchestra**

Wednesday mornings during term time – **CHOIRJAM** – Victoria Key Centre 10.30a

Wednesdays 2pm at Victoria – **Good Afternoon Choir** – every week during term time

The Last Friday of each month 2pm at Victoria Key Centre – **Goldies UK**

**If you are looking for a new rehearsal space, looking to start a new music group or want to host a taster session please contact our church office who can give you all the information on spaces to hire - Tel 0117 9149409 or email: [bookings@keynshammethoddistchurch.co.uk](mailto:bookings@keynshammethoddistchurch.co.uk)**

**Do you love to sing? You'll find details of all our Good Afternoon Choirs on this website:**

[www.goodafternoonchoir.org](http://www.goodafternoonchoir.org) including of course The Keynsham Good Afternoon Choir who meet at Keynsham Methodist Church Victoria Centre every Wednesday 2pm to 4pm with John Hare - Great Music - No Audition - Come along & meet us. There's no charge for your first visit!

**The community-based Longwell Green Orchestra** are holding a concert to raise funds for Mission Direct's work in Kumi, Uganda. The concert is on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May at Christ Church in Downend** & will feature classics and tunes from the musicals. Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start. Wine, tea & cake will be on sale. Tickets are £8, for advance tickets email: [janet.bacon@missiondirect.org](mailto:janet.bacon@missiondirect.org) Founded more than 100 years ago, the orchestra is an amateur group that plays mainly light classical music for local groups, clubs & charities.

**Keynsham Festival Concert** on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July at Keynsham Parish Church, St John's 7.30pm** - doors open 6.45pm – **tickets £10.00** on the door on the night or in advance from: [gac.ticketlight.co.uk](http://gac.ticketlight.co.uk) or call 0844 8889991 – in the concert will be 'Black Sheep Harmony' & 'Keynsham Goodafternoon Choir'.



#### **Bandstand in the Park 2025**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May – Thornbury Swing Band 2 to 4pm**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May Choir Jam 2 to 3pm**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May Dodington Parish Band 3 to 5pm**

#### **Keynsham Farmers Market Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

<https://www.somersetfarmersmarkets.co.uk/markets/keynsham/>



**St Francis is launching a Bubble Church! On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May.** This is to complement all the work that churches throughout Keynsham & Saltford do with young families – Messy Church, Toddler Groups, pre-school groups, Dads groups etc. It is a great new service especially for babies, toddlers and young families.

The Bubble service is puppet-packed, thanks to Keynsham Methodist Church for the loan of their puppets! It is Jesus centred, coffee and croissant-fuelled, lasts for 30 minutes and features Bible stories, worship songs plus time for prayers from both parents and children.

Bubble Church will be held **on the second Sunday of each month at 9.30am**. Parents - **please arrive 10 minutes before it starts** for a croissant or pain au chocolat and coffee, then you will be guided to a 'bubble' where you and your little ones will share 30 minutes of song, story puppets and prayer. **The first Bubble Church will be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30am at St Francis Church, Warwick Road, BS31 2PW.** For more information please contact: [mburton401@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mburton401@yahoo.co.uk)  
**Book NOW** at [www.keynshamparish.org.uk/bubble-church](http://www.keynshamparish.org.uk/bubble-church)



#### **Encounter 2025 Pilgrims of Hope**

Join the Clifton Diocese in an inspiring programme which will awaken your soul & empower your walk with Christ. **Wednesday evenings 7 to 9pm at Clifton Cathedral (or live streamed) 7<sup>th</sup> May, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 21<sup>st</sup> May, 28<sup>th</sup> May, 4<sup>th</sup> June.**

For more information please email: [pentecost@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:pentecost@cliftondiocese.com)

### **A message from KMC Monday Housegroup for the wider church community**

After spending several sessions studying The Apostles Creed, they wrote their own version. There was much discussion to get wording that everyone was comfortable with. If you have any comments to feedback please speak to Marion Garrett.



We affirm our faith in a God of love.

We affirm our faith in Jesus as the Son of God and seek to live out His teaching and example in our lives.

We affirm our belief in the enabling and strengthening of His Spirit.

We seek to be part of and draw strength from the community of believers we call the church through prayer, worship and study of the bible.

We affirm that God's hope for the world is love, justice, peace and compassion, for all people and we will partner Him in this.

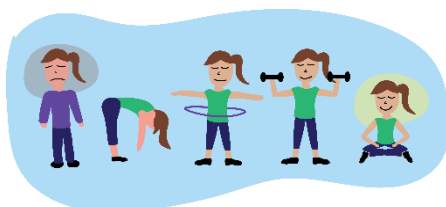
We affirm that God's hope is not just for this world but for the world to come when we will be with God eternally.

#### **Fitness @ KMC**

We are very lucky to hold many fitness & wellbeing sessions at KMC.

During May we are happy to hold Pilates, Tai Chi, Aerobics for the over 50's, Short Mat Bowls, Table Tennis and Ballroom Dancing.

If you are interested in any of these sessions just contact the church office on:  
[office@keynshammethodistchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@keynshammethodistchurch.co.uk) or call 0117 9149408



#### **Children's Activities in May**

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday  
10am to 12noon at Victoria –  
Coffee Morning with children's  
play & craft

Thursdays 3.15pm at Queens  
Road – Southside

Fridays 8.45am at Queens Road –  
Café Plus

Fridays 9.15am at Victoria Key  
Centre – Toddler Group

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2.30pm at  
Queens Road – Kick Academy

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 3.30pm at  
Queens



Road – Messy Church

We also have  
Brownies,  
Rainbows & Girls Brigade



**Please follow our social media pages** for news & events – Facebook or Instagram –  
Keynsham Methodist Church.

**Items for the June issue of 'The Grapevine'** (issue date Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June) **need to be sent to:**  
[lorrie.cross@outlook.com](mailto:lorrie.cross@outlook.com) by mid-day on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May