



Saint Michael's Messenger

July 2013

Welcome to Father Ian Eglin and his wife Caroline.

Father Ian will be with us at St. Michael's as locum priest for four weeks from 9th July (There will be a different locum priest for 4 Sundays from 11 Aug-1 Sept.). Below are a few words of



introduction from Father Ian.

My wife Caroline and I arrive in Beaulieu-sur-Mer on 9 July and I very much look forward to being your Locum priest for four weeks. We live in a village called Yealampton, near Plymouth in Devon, three miles from the coast. We very much enjoy walking and I spend a lot of time gardening.

I was ordained thirty four years ago in Coventry Cathedral and after four years as a Curate moved to be a parish priest in Northampton . I joined the Royal Navy as a Chaplain in 1987 and served sixteen years both at Sea and on land and saw a great deal of the world in that time. It was in The Royal Navy that I met my wife Caroline who was also a chaplain. When I left the Navy I went to serve four country parishes in Devon as their parish priest and retired from there last November after ten years. I now have permission to officiate in the Diocese of Exeter and the Diocese of Europe so very much look forward to getting to know you all at St Michael's. Caroline is a Baptist Minister and her ministry is leading quiet days and retreats and offering spiritual direction.

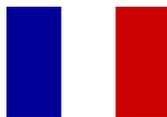
With our good wishes

Fr Ian and Caroline Eglin

Bastille Day

La Fete Nationale on 14th July (known in English as Bastille Day), is of course the French national holiday, it commemorates the storming of the Bastille in Paris which took place on 14 July 1789 and marked the beginning of the French Revolution. The Bastille was a prison and a symbol of the absolute and arbitrary power of the 'ancien regime' of Louis XVI . By capturing this symbol, the people signalled that the king's power was no longer absolute: and that power should be based on the Nation. Bastille is an alternate spelling of bastide (fortification), from the Provençal word bastida (built).

Up and down the country Bastille days is nowadays cerebrated by parades, dancing and fireworks. In Beaulieu there is a party and dancing on the Batterie from 21.30 followed by fireworks over the port. For some reason this always takes place here on 13th not the 14th and we wonder why that is? If you know please contact the editor with your answer.



La Marseillaise

The French National Anthem, la Marseillaise, was written in 1792 in Strasbourg by Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle with the not-so-catchy title 'Chant de guerre pour l'armée du Rhin' (war song of the Army of the Rhine).

This stirring song became popular and it is said that in Marseille, a student sang the martial verses at the end of a banquet that the city was offering to 500 volunteers preparing to go to Paris. The sans-culottes (the common people) found it so beautiful and stirring that they adopted it and sang it all along the road to Paris. When the Parisians saw them marching past and singing these words, they called it the "Marseillaise". The French National Convention adopted it as the National Anthem in 1795.

Organ recital at St Michael's

On Thursday 4th July there will be an organ recital by Swedish organist Göran Staxäng starting at 18.30. Refreshments will be available after the recital. Tickets are 10€ (payable at the door), proceeds to church funds.

There will be other events in town to attend during July

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| Thursday 4 th Friday 5 th Saturday 6 th | | Les Nuits Guitares, in the attractive 'Jardins de l'Olive'. You will find posters around town with the details of who will be performing, or visit www.lesnuitsguitares.com |
| Friday 12 th | 20.30 | Concert by l'Academie Franco Americaine 'Zodiac' - Piano, Violin, Clarinette, Cello - at Saint Michael's Church. Tickets from the Tourist Office, 12€ |
| Saturday 27 th | 21.30 | Janysett McPherson Trio, Salsa et Caribbean jazz, in Place Marinoni. Free entrance . |

Visitors to this area

Should visit the Tourist Offices along the Côte d'Azur, they are very friendly and welcoming. There is a great selection of ideas, suggestions, and maps if you want to explore the area. The 2013 GUIDE to Beaulieu shops and artisans, is now available, you can collect a copy when you visit. Whilst you are there check out the **French Riviera Pass**. For 24 hours (26 €), 48 hrs (38 €) or 72 hrs.(56 €). this unique card includes during its validity, many visits and tours around the area. In Monaco the Jardin Exotique, and the Oceanographic Museum are worth a visit. Along the coast tourist trains, wine-tasting, visits to museums, Villa Kerylos, Villa and gardens of the Ephrussi Rothschild, Parc Phoenix, Marineland, the Chagall Museum plus many more places are also included. An interactive travel guide for many cities in Europe, New York, and now the **Coeur Riviera** has been made available, which helps with accommodation, cuisine, travel and other activities. www.monument-tracker.com ,it will tell you all about the area and about 151 monuments and sites to visit.

Thank you!

Around 35 members of the congregation enjoyed a convivial lunch in the garden after the service on Sunday 23rd June. This enjoyable event also raised funds for the church.

Since it is Coronation Diamond Jubilee year, we held with tradition and served Coronation Chicken, a dish created for the Queen on her coronation day. Delicious desserts and starters were donated by members of the congregation, and the many helpful hands in setting and clearing made this is real team effort. Thank you to all!

We need your help - don't wait to be asked....



Every week we need readers for lessons, sidespersons, servers of refreshments and help with the flowers. We also need help sometimes with fundraising events; everything from setting up to cooking, serving and washing up. Please contact any member of the Church Council.

You may also consider joining the sacristan team, laying and clearing the altar , washing altar linens. Please contact either Nicola or Fr Philip.

You do not have to be here all year to do any of these roles

Dates to Remember

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| Sunday 7 th July | 10.00 | Eucharist plus dedication and blessing of new chairs donated in memory of Canon Roger Greenacre |
| Sunday 14 th July | 10.00 | Eucharist followed by refreshments |
| Sunday 21 st July | 10.00 | Eucharist followed by refreshments |
| Sunday 28 th July | 10.00 | Eucharist followed by refreshments |

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