

The Churchwardens and Parochial Church Councillors of Whatlington and Sedlescombe invite the members of both Parishes to meet their new Rector, Mr. Prince and his wife at 5.0 pm. in Sedlescombe Village Hall, after the Service of Induction at 5.0 pm. in Sedlescombe Church. on Saturday 23rd June.

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Flowers for the Service of Induction.

Gifts of flowers, roses of all kinds and colours; and other flowers particularly white ones, will be greatly appreciated to decorate the Church for the Service of Induction.

Please bring the flowers before 10.0 am. on Saturday morning 23rd June.

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Sedlescombe Seniors.

At the White Hart, Cripps Corner, 10.15 am. on Thursday, 21st June our speaker will be Mr. Barry Funnell, of St. Leonards, on the origins and development of the Sussex seaside resorts.

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Mothers Union.

M.U. Deanery Quiet Day -- Wednesday, 20th June at Crowhurst 10.15 - 3.30.

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SEDLESCOMBE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Members please note that the Outing advertised for July 11th will take place on SATURDAY 14th JULY.

Please BOOK IMMEDIATELY for Outing otherwise coaches may have to be cancelled.

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TO-DAY - SATURDAY - 16th JUNE.

The working-party at the Rectory begins at 8.0 am. Don't forget your hedge-cutters and/or hooks.

Everyone welcome.

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Wives Group.

The Annual Barbecue held in the gardens of Oak Cottage, by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Jenner on Tuesday evening, was a great success. The weather was kind, and the food scrumptious, a very enjoyable evening altogether.

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Mrs. Duncanson wishes to thank the anonymous donor for the kind contribution to the funds of the Disabled.

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Fete Association Cttee Meeting

Tuesday - 26th June.

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Churchyard Fund

The Hon Treasurer acknowledges with thanks a donation from Mrs. Stubberfield.

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Sedlescombe Cricket Club. 17th

Sedlescombe V Ore at Bulverhythe - 2.30 pm. (seep. 3.)

This week's praying-point: Single mindedness in carrying Christ's love to mankind.

This week's reading-point: When the congregation was shaken; Acts 4. verses 31 - 35.

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NOTICES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK.

Sedlescombe Whatlington.
Sunday, 17th June, Trinity Sunday.

8.0.am. Holy Communion. 6.30.pm. Evensong.
10.0.am. Mattins & Parish Communion.

Tuesday, 19th June. S. Barnabas. Ap.

8.0.am. Holy Communion.

Wednesday, 20th June. M.U.

10.15am. - 3.30.pm.
Deanery Quiet Day at Crowhurst.

Thursday, 21st June. COPPUS CHRISTI.

7.45.am. Holy Communion.

Next Sunday, 24th June. Trinity 1.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL of St. JOHN the BAPTIST.

10.0.am. Mattins & Parish Communion. 8.0.am. Holy Communion.
6.15pm. FESTAL EVENSONG.

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Sacrilege in Sedlescombe Church. It is with sadness we have just heard that the candle-sticks in the side chapel are missing.

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Sedlescombe United Reformed Church.

The Service this Sunday will be held at 11.am. as usual.

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LETTER FROM OUR NEW RECTOR.

Slinfold Rectory,
Nr. Horsham,
Sussex.

Dear People of Sedlescombe and Whatlington,

I have been asked to give you some sort of word-picture of myself, so that you may know a little more of your Rector designate.

I went up to King's College, London, in 1938, and remained until 1940, when I joined the Royal Navy on the lower deck. I was commissioned in

1942, served in Submarines for two and a half years, and finally saw service in a battleship in the Far East. I married Marjorie in 1942 - Susan was born in 1944 and Alan in 1946.

On demobilisation in 1946, I returned to King's, completing my Course in 1948; was made Deacon that same year, taking my title at St.Mary, Prittlewell, Southend-on-Sea. I was ordained priest in 1949, and a year later I was appointed Priest-in-Charge of St.Stephen, Prittlewell. In 1954, I became Vicar of Golcar, an industrial parish just south west of Huddersfield. Then in 1960, I was offered the living of Slinfold, where we have spent 13½ very happy years. Now we are about to come to you, and we are both looking forward very much to living and working among you. Please pray for us, and bear with us as we try to remember new names and faces in Sedlescombe and Whatlington.

Susan and Alan are both married - Nevill, Susan's husband and Alan are Submariners - and we are the proud grandparents of Andrew James Wood, 2½ years, and Rupert Michael Ford Prince, nearly 2.

Yours sincerely,
Dennis Prince.

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WHATLINGTON.

Please see the invitation on the front page. We do hope that Whatlington will also join with us at our Patronal Festival Evensong on Sunday, 24th June at 6.15.p.m.

Sedlescombe Stoolball Club.

7th June - Sedlescombe 171 for 1. Netherfield 117 for 5.
Batting (Sedlescombe) J.Mitchell 96 not out; E.Chapman 47 not out;
Bowling E.Simmons 4 for 59.

ALL WELCOME

SUNDAY - 17th June - A GRAND TOURNAMENT at 2.p.m. in Pestalozzi Field.

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SEDLESCOMBE CRICKET CLUB.

Sedlescombe 209 - 9 dec. Bodiam 87 (Sedlescombe won by 122 runs).
Some solid and competent batting amassed a fine total against Bodiam.
Pestalozzi lad, Sleka made a fine 42 runs with W.Outram(39), F.Meredith (35) and P.Furley(27)
In reply Bodiam made 87, with a useful innings by M.Good of 45 runs.
Sedlescombe bowlers F.Moore 4 for 28, Satish 2 for 15 and W.Outram 2 for 21.

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Coffee Morning in aid of the Blind at Woodman's Cottage, 27th June. (Wed)

I carried to France in 1939 with my Chaplain's clobber a dictionary of French slang. It's a dodgy business, using foreign slang. You never know whether a phrase is polite or extremely rude. A group of urchins in Dieppe were meddling with an army truck. "Foutez le camp!" I said, and to my surprise the boys vanished like magic. How was I to know that phrase from the book was not part of a chaplain's vocabulary? Anyhow, it did the trick.

John Taylor in his C.M.S. News Letter tells of a man who went to a Bengali dispensary for another bottle of his wife's medicine. "Shake the bottle", said the dispenser, "and give her a tablespoonful twice a day." "That's not what they told me when I came before," said the husband, puzzled. "I've been shaking my wife twice a day. "A smattering of a foreign language can be a delusion and a snare.

Often it isn't a medicine bottle that needs shaking, but our ideas and our attitudes. Years ago Dylan Thomas, that brilliant but erratic Welsh poet, had agreed to speak at a St. David's day reunion in the Medway towns, and was to stay with the local rector, When he arrived, poor man, he had become so alarmed at the prospect of staying at the rectory that he arrived much the worse for wear, fortified by whisky.

There may have been a time long long ago, when the image of a parson as a stern reproachful moralist, aloof from the rest of mankind, bore some semblance of truth. Strangely, many people still expect it to be true. They think we live in a world remote from ordinary concerns, where niceties of church procedure, matter more than our common humanity.

We have to spend much of our lives proving them wrong. And what goes for parsons, living in a world of their own, has to be guarded against by the local church congregation.

What we are to be is a society for carrying Christ's love and care into the world. We are not a ghetto, concerned with keeping our own life and organisation alive. A service in church is a preface to serving mankind. The former rector of Gravesend once scandalized a Sunday morning congregation by saying to his trade union worshippers: "You men ought not to be here in church this morning. You should be at your Lodge meeting, expressing your Christian point of view."

Only by tying up our faith with our attitude to all human affairs can we gain the respect and confidence of ordinary folk, and serve our master in this secular age.

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The Living Church.

Sedlescombe
Communicants: 56
Membership Fund: £8.90½
Cash in plate: £4.90

Whatlington.

Membership Fund: £7) three
Cash in plate: £6.20) weeks.

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