



THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND

# St Thomas a Becket Scarecrow Competition and trail

To raise funds for our village church

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

St Thomas a Becket Church invites all organisations and residents in Pucklechurch and the surrounding villages to make scarecrows and place them in prominent positions in gardens around Pucklechurch. There is no charge for entering a scarecrow.

We warmly invite you to attend Café Church at 10am on Sunday before the trail starts.

This year's theme is ***YOUR FAVOURITE STORY BOOK CHARACTER...***

To enter please ring the co-ordinator on 01179 373262 or e-mail [pucklechurchscarecrow@gmail.com](mailto:pucklechurchscarecrow@gmail.com) with the following information:

- Details of the character you have chosen.
- A clue - either simple or cryptic to help people guess the scarecrow's identity.
- Your name, address and telephone number (so we can tell you if you have won and also make a map of the village.)

**The closing date for entry is Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April.**

There will be one prize for the best scarecrow as voted by the public who take part in the trail. Please label your scarecrow if it is made by a child or children. There will also be a 'lucky dip' draw from all the entrants to select another prize winner.

Please take your scarecrow in overnight to stop it catching cold or running away! But please leave it out until 7pm, weather permitting.

If you live outside the village and have difficulty finding a garden in which to place your scarecrow, please mention this when entering your scarecrow and we will find a location for it.

## **The Trail**

On the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> May, everyone is invited to take part in the scarecrow trail to identify the scarecrows and enjoy chatting with friends, family and neighbours as you go around. There is a cash prize for whoever correctly identifies the most scarecrows. The winner will be notified during the week of 6<sup>th</sup> May.

Trail entry prices:

<b>Children under 16</b>	<b>£1.00</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>£2.00</b>
<b>Family ticket</b>	<b>£5.00</b>		

Enjoy a wide variety of refreshments, stalls and music in church as well as a PowerPoint presentation of all the scarecrows on Monday at 4pm.

**We are also pleased to invite you to design a scarecrow for use on our programme and promotional material and win £10!**

\* God is a creative genius and the Bible tells us we are made in his image. Why not put your creative talents to use and get designing! \*

Entries need to be submitted by Friday 22nd March on A4 paper only to Pucklechurch Newsagent, 3 Shortwood Road, Pucklechurch, BS16 9RA

Your entry must include:

Entrant's name and contact details on reverse.

Entries will be judged by the Scarecrow Competition and Trail Committee and their decision will be final.

The Committee reserve the right to edit the winning entry. Please note that any entries may be used for indefinite promotional purposes without notice.

Contact 0117 937 3262 for more details

**A basic scarecrow design to get you started ~ perhaps over the Easter holiday!!**

- To make the scarecrow frame, nail a 2' long, 2" x 4" pole to a 6' long 2" x 4" pole to form a cross.
- Dig a hole 1 foot deep, place the frame inside and back the soil firmly around the frame.
- Use a pillowcase for the head, or make one using papier mâché. Attach to the top of the pole either with twine or through the hole in the base of the head you have made.
- Dress your scarecrow as your chosen character. Tie trouser legs closed with twine and stuff with newspaper. Put the shirt/top on the frame and tie sleeves and waist with twine, stuff with newspaper.
- Add any finishing touches to get your scarecrow in character!
- Label your character with the number issued to you and add the clue.



We are pleased to advise that St Thomas a Becket follows safeguarding procedures.

Have fun and thank you for your support!

