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Parish Magazine

July/August 2019



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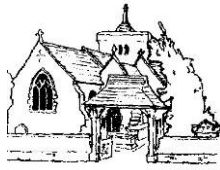
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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00 am A traditional form of Holy Communion

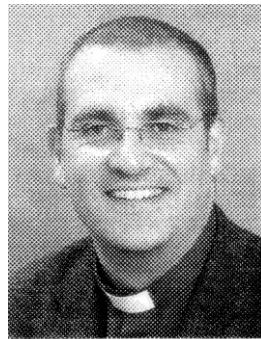
10.15 am Morning Worship – Our main service – see diary page

6.30 pm Occasional special evening services will be shown on the diary page and announced in advance

See inside for full details of all this month's services

RECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends



The summer is for many of us a moment to pause. It's a moment to take a break. A time perhaps to live the actual moment and to remember as the Bible teaches us that: *"there is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven"* [Ecclesiastes 3:1]. Words that remind me that it is God who has appointed the times and seasons, the events of our lives, happy and the sad, easy and the difficult. So, words that on the one hand can bring us worry but words that ought on the other hand to bring us hope. Because they are words that remind us that God is in control. So, we need to make the best of everything that is happening right now.

Of course, sometimes you may wonder about that. It's easy to doubt that God has it all together when you maybe look at what is going on in the world around or where your own life has descended into what may feel so much like chaos. Sometimes it can look to us as though God isn't doing all that well at all. But however things may appear, I still believe that the truth is that God has always got everything under control and that God always has a purpose in everything that he does - even if we sometimes have a tough time understanding what that purpose is. As the apostle Paul writes in his letter to the Christians in first century Rome: *"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose"* [Romans 8: 28].

The secret is, I think, to discover, accept and appreciate God's perfect timing and to remember too, that we live in a world of change. The evidence of change is all around us. Spring becomes summer. Summer will give way to the autumn and

then autumn in its turn will give way to the winter. But in all of that change we can still hold on to the knowledge that God is in control and that actually change can be very good indeed. After all, change helps us to learn and to adapt and to grow inside. And change can stretch us and challenge us by causing us to grow through the trials and tribulations of life. Change can also keep us from getting bored. Are you the same person that you were ten years ago, or five years ago, or even one year ago?

The one constant of course, is the one who is in control of everything. God does not change. And that means that we can count on him always to be with us and to do the right thing: *"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the hearts of men; yet they cannot fathom what God has done from beginning to end"* [Ecclesiastes 3:11]. God has set everything for its time so take the time to enjoy yourself. Make the best of each event and of each season of change. Enjoy your family and your home, your health, and your holidays. Enjoy coming to church. After all, God has made everything beautiful in his time and even the painful things are set in place by God. Sometimes all we can see is the middle of God's work and not the end but he knows the beginning from the end and he has each of us just where he wants us.

So, take some time this summer to enjoy the moment. And hold on in trust in every moment to God who is in control. Hold on to the one who loves us and who promises that where we trust in him, he will provide for all of our needs.

With my prayers and best wishes

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John".

Services for July 2019

Sunday 7th July

8.00am HC [BCP]

*With refreshments served
from **10.00am** and
throughout the service
our worship begins at **10.15am***

6.30pm

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Galatians 6: 1 - 6; Luke 10: 1 - 11, 16 - 20

sunday@thecentre

*a café style service in the Church Centre for
everyone*

Open to God

A quiet, meditative service for the end of the day

Sunday 14th July

8.00am HC [BCP]

10.15am

Holy Communion [CW]

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 1: 1 - 14; Luke 10: 25 - 37

Colossians 1: 1 - 14; Luke 10: 25 - 37

Sunday 21st July

8.00am HC [BCP]

10.15am

Morning Praise

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 1: 15 - 28; Luke 10: 38- 42

Luke 10: 38 - 42

Sunday 28th July

8.00am HC [BCP]

10.15am

**Holy Communion [CW]
with prayer for healing
and wholeness**

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 2: 6 - 15; Luke 11: 1 - 13

Colossians 2: 6 - 15; Luke 11: 1 - 13

Services for August 2019

Sunday 4th August

8.00am HC [BCP]

10.15am

Morning Praise

6.30pm

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 3: 1 - 11; Luke 12: 13 - 21

Colossians 3: 1 - 11; Luke 12: 13 - 21

Open to God

A quiet, meditative service for the end of the day

Sunday 11th August

8.00am HC [BCP]

10.15am

Holy Communion [CW]

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Hebrews 11: 1 - 3, 8 - 16; Luke 12: 32 - 40

Hebrews 11: 1 - 3, 8 - 16; Luke 12: 32 - 40

Sunday 18th August

8.00am HC [BCP]

10.15am

Morning Praise

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Hebrews 11: 29 - 12: 2; Luke 12: 49 - 56

Luke 12: 49 - 56

Sunday 25th August

8.00am HC [BCP]

10.15am

**Holy Communion [CW]
with prayer for healing
and wholeness**

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Hebrews 12: 18 - 29; Luke 13: 10 - 17

Hebrews 12: 18 - 29; Luke 13: 10 - 17

NOTICEBOARD for July & August

Meeting Point Coffee Mornings

These will take place on 1st, 15th and 29th July in Hapstead Small Hall from 10.15 to 11.30. All are welcome. If anyone needs a lift please contact Jeannie Leadsom on 892571 before the day. Help is appreciated in setting up tables etc.



The **Meeting Point Summer Outing** will be a trip to Camelia Botnar's on Monday 19th August, leaving from Ardingly Car Park at 2.30pm. Anyone who would like to go should contact Belinda MacLean (892368).

Angels & Urchins

For babies, pre-school children and their carers
Thursday mornings in school term
0900-1100 at St Peter's Church Centre (front door)
Summer Specials: 1st and 8th August
Last session is on 18th July
Start date for the new term: 5th September

23rd July: Ardingly Films are showing "ROCKETMAN" at 7.30 in Hapstead Hall (doors open at 7pm). This is a special fundraising event supporting St Peter's Primary School Library. Tickets £7 from Fellows Bakery and Ardingly Post Office.

CHURCH CENTRE SUMMER CLEAN

I am organising a working party to give the Church Centre a summer clean on 21st, 22nd and 23rd August. I would much appreciate as many pairs of hands as possible to help! It will involve lots of dusting, cleaning and perhaps a bit of painting. Thank you! JILL VEASEY



Village Fete: Saturday 7th September in the Recreation Ground

More notices on the next page >>>>>



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SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST
2.30 PM - 4.30 PM
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AND A RAFFLE



SOME OF OUR OLDER SCHOLARS ARE READY TO GO TO
COLLEGE TO STUDY CLINICAL MEDICINE, NURSING AND
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING. WE ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR
THEIR FEES.

Sunday@thecentre

All are welcome at
Café Church

Sunday 7th July
at St Peter's Church Centre



Coffee (and tea) are served from 10.00am and throughout the service. Our worship begins at 10.15 a.m.

Seated around tables instead of sat in rows, we drink coffee, eat croissants, discuss faith and relax.

Grab a seat, fill up your cup and **Welcome to Café Church!**

(There are activities for children)



Come and meet Samara and hear her talk about her work in Syria, her book, many answers to prayer and her journey of faith since she started the Samara's Aid Appeal.

28th September 2019
7.00pm at St Peter's Centre

She will be promoting and signing her book "Rebuilding the Ruins" which is due to be published by Hodder & Stoughton in July.

ST PETER'S **BOUNCY CASTLE**
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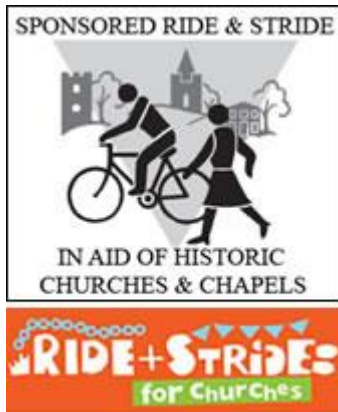
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FRIDAY 12TH JULY 3.30-5.30 PM

@ ARDINGLY RECREATIONAL GROUND

Sussex Historic Churches Trust



Sponsored Ride and Stride September 14th 2019

This annual event enables us to help in raising money to preserve the historic places of worship across Sussex.

As usual St Peter's will be open all day to enable riders and walkers to visit the church while participating. Sponsor forms and lists of places open will be available soon for walkers and riders who wish to participate in this annual

event. Sponsor forms will also be available for those who assist by manning the church and welcoming visitors during the day.

If you have any queries please contact me on 01444 484243.

Jean Jeffery

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## A Thank you from the Editors

Michael is still in hospital awaiting corrective surgery on his hip, so I have been putting together recent magazines and hope they come up to his standards!

At this time of year we must say a big '**Thank you**' to all those who contribute to, print, sort and deliver the magazine on a monthly basis. Without you it wouldn't happen!

I hope you will have a good break during the summer, before preparation for the September magazine begins again in August. If you'd like to contribute anything please send it to me by noon on August 17<sup>th</sup>. The email address is [emails4sue@gmail.com](mailto:emails4sue@gmail.com)

Many thanks! Sue Laker

## **NEWS FROM JONNY AND BETH in THE GAMBIA**

Hello!

We have often been touched to hear of how Ardingly folk follow our news from here in the Gambia, and pray for us and our ministry. That has been a source of deep encouragement. We are approaching a big transition, and so are glad for this opportunity to fill you in.

You may recall Jonny moved here back in 2015 to join the teaching faculty at Servants of the Word (SOW), a small Bible School. Since then he has been teaching various courses on discipleship and preaching. In 2017 we married, and Beth came and joined in, particularly getting alongside women and training people to lead children's work that both creates fun and teaches the good news about Jesus clearly. It has been our greatest desire, through all we do, to see Gambians embrace the wonderful life-giving and life-transforming truths of God's word, which are sadly so often buried beneath lies and confusion.

Very shortly we will be returning to the UK though, where Jonny will serve as Assistant Minister at Christ Church Balham (CCB) in London, and Beth will continue to pursue counselling training, whilst throwing herself into the church. We will be very sad to leave behind dear people and valuable work in the Gambia. But two particular truths give us comfort and hope:

### **1. God is in control**

Jesus promised, *"I will build my church"* (Matthew 16:18). It's very easy to function with too high a view of ourselves. God really doesn't need us! But he chooses to use us. It's been a privilege to

be used by him here. But we know that, as we leave, he will continue to use others, to keep fulfilling his great plans and purposes - people coming to know Jesus and growing as disciple-making disciples of him.

## 2. Our partnership continues

The Apostle Paul wrote to some friends, *"I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel"* (Philippians 1:5). We have been so thankful for people thousands of miles away in the UK, who have partnered with us - praying, encouraging, supporting. God's design is for ministry to flourish through such partnership. We are 100% committed to continuing to partner with God's work in the Gambia. So we are thrilled that CCB already has an established and strong partnership with SOW! We will be apart but still a part!

So we thank God for these comforting truths. Please pray that we would live and serve more and more with the joy and freedom that comes from knowing that **God really is in control**. And please pray for our **ongoing partnership** - that we would quickly find ways of both encouraging the church in Balham through what's going on in the Gambia, and supporting our friends and colleagues on the ground in the Gambia.



With lots of love, Jonny & Beth

## FLOWER HEADS GALORE!



Last Tuesday saw Margaret and I wending our way to Arundel to see the Corpus Christi carpet of flowers. We had been for a couple of years running and seen the completed carpet and this year decided we would like to see it in the making. After a sandwich in the car at the car park at the top of Houghton Hill where we admired the fabulous view, we arrived at the Cathedral to find the aisle covered in paper with the pattern chalked out on it and people in various stages of

bending and on all fours! The Cathedral was afloat with Chrysanthemums galore! These being placed in the appropriate places according to their colours. Some of the greenery (conifer clippings from the castle gardens) had already been laid the night before but the flowers are all placed on the Tuesday and the carpet was due to be completed by 5.00pm!! What a challenge and back breaking's not the word! 401 bunches of Chrysanthemums had been purchased from Holland, each bunch being 5 stems and each stem having approximately 5 flowers (work that one out!) and volunteers patiently sit and snip off all the heads!

There is a small team of people who organise it all and the rest is done by volunteers. One lady had been doing it for 47 years! And her mum before her, who used to sit snipping flowers whilst rocking her daughter's pram beside her! The carpet has been made every year since 1877 (except during WW1)!

It was fascinating watching them all at work and after a cuppa in the pub next door we returned to the cathedral at 5.00pm.



The fragrance hit us as we entered and true enough the carpet was complete! A most wonderful sight!

My prayer that night was "Thank you Lord for the beauty of your creation that we witnessed today, for getting us safely there and back and for the companionship that we have enjoyed along the way" What a great God we have!

Ps the photos don't do it justice and will look better in colour on St Peter's website! Adele

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## **GRANDMOTHERS** (by an 8 year old boy)

A grandmother is a woman who has no children of her own. So she loves the boys and girls of other people.

Grandmothers have nothing to do, they only have to be there.

If they take you for a walk, they go slowly past beautiful leaves and caterpillars.

They never say "Come along, quickly" or "Hurry up for goodness sake".

They are usually fat, but not too fat to tie up my shoe laces.

They wear spectacles and sometimes take out their teeth.

They can answer any question, for instance Why do dogs hate cats, and Why is God not married.

When they read to us, they never leave anything out.

They do not mind if it's always the same story.

Everyone should have a Grandmother, especially those who do not have a television.

Grandmothers are the only grown ups who have plenty of time.

(seen in a Cathedral shop in Durham!)



## **BIG CHURCH DAY OUT 25<sup>th</sup> May 2019**



The Big Church Day Out is a Christian music festival, held in the magnificent grounds of Wiston House, near Steyning, and tens of thousands of Christians gather to enjoy music, have fun, worship and be informed and encouraged. This year it took place over the weekend of 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> May and all ages and all denominations were there! It's a great weekend for families and you could camp, glamp or attend on a daily basis.

Some of the biggest names in the Christian music world were performing and leading worship on 4 different stages. There were also fairground rides, 'leap of faith' jumps, archery, TV and Radio show tents and many other events.

It wasn't just fun though – the enormous "Christian Bazaar" was hugely informative, populated by scores of stands, with representatives from many of the big missions, charities, Bible training Colleges, support organisations relating to fostering, food disorders and other conditions, plus support for children in Russia and Brazil. Christian holiday companies were represented, as were Christians in the Forces and Christians in the Police. There was also an opportunity to have a prophetic painting done by a Theology tutor from Chester University. And for those who wanted to shop, there were stands selling Christian books, cards and unusual gifts from places like the Philippines and Africa.

It was big, it was loud, it was buzzingly enjoyable – and everyone was friendly and smiling! The event was also blessed by good weather, which helped everyone to have a really good time.



## Family Activities at Chichester Cathedral

**Up, Up and Away** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July  
2019: Family Activities at Chichester  
Cathedral, PO19 1PX

**10am – 3pm (last entry 2.30pm)**

Follow our themed Cathedral trail  
and collect your prize when you  
finish!

Design and Make Creative Crafts

No need to book just drop in - £2.50  
per child.

Ages 3 – 11 – accompanied by an adult



Suitable for children aged 3 – 11 years, accompanied by an adult.  
For younger siblings under 3 years there is a carpeted area with  
toys.

**Lunch offer:** one child's meal for £1.50 when an adult spends a  
minimum of £5.50 in the Cloisters Café between 11.45am and  
2.30pm. Collect your voucher when you arrive.

### Cathedral Trail

The trail around the Cathedral is themed to each activity day,  
making it different each time. Children choose the trail that fits their  
age and ability to find different places and objects within the  
Cathedral before collecting a prize at the end.

### Craft Activities

The craft element of the day gives everyone the opportunity to get  
creative and use our resources to make something special to take  
home. If you're not a crafty adult don't worry, there are lots of  
helpers on hand to get you started and offer support during your  
visit.

For further details contact Luna on 01243 812986  
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[www.chichestercathedral.org.uk](http://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk)



## **SAMARAS AID: "Rebuilding the Ruins"**

Samara's book "Rebuilding the Ruins" by Hodder and Stoughton, is being launched at St Peter's Church, Brighton, on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July. Samara will also be coming to St Peter's Centre in Ardingly on 28<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm to tell her story and promote her book.

The book is a powerful testimony to how she responded in love to God's call to provide medical and humanitarian aid for the people of Syria, and of the truly amazing guidance, provision and protection of God along the way. Hodder & Stoughton summarise it like this:

*"A mother's calling tells the story not only of how this work developed from nothing, but also of Samara's own internal journey: what she has learnt about stepping out in faith and listening to God, and of how he uses the ordinary to achieve the extraordinary. Part testimony and part sharing, this book will inspire all who see the daily headlines about the situation in Syria and wonder what possible difference they can make. It is a story of hope, and of how in our weakness and inability God does the miraculous with whatever we can offer."*

Proceeds from the sale of her book will go towards the costs of building a new hospital in Syria which will treat anyone free of charge, regardless of their faith.

The humanitarian aid operation is still on hold at the moment, but it is hoped that it will be able to resume quite soon. However, due to Customs regulations in Syria, it is almost certain that only new items will be able to be sent and also perhaps things like dignity bags and school bags. This will be confirmed in due course.

In the meantime, other projects are ongoing, such as the support for Orphans and Widows, and the charity is in the process of taking on 30 new families who need support.



## **Sometimes prayers are answered in amazing ways!**

As part of the "Thy Kingdom Come" prayer campaign between Ascension and Pentecost I [Sue] chose to support Chaplains in the Forces and every day I received 3 reports by email of situations that certain Chaplains have faced. One Army padre sent this inspirational true story of how God answered his prayers for a severely injured soldier:

*"One of my soldiers was involved in a very serious motorcycle accident and was in a coma and on life-support. He was not expected to live and his family were brought to the hospital to say their goodbyes. I arrived about half an hour ahead of the family and Unit Welfare Officer and was allowed to see the soldier. Standing at the foot of his bed I prayed silently in my heart that he would be restored to good health for the sake of his wife and small children. One week later I was going to visit the soldier in another hospital where he was convalescing. He was not only convalescing but was actually outside walking around, and when he saw me at a distance, he called out that he had been waiting to see me to explain something quite unbelievable. He told me that in the hospital a week earlier he had heard my prayer and that it was that which – to use his own words – 'brought me back'. I immediately said that was impossible as I hadn't prayed audibly but silently in my heart. He replied, 'you don't understand. I was looking down on myself lying in the bed and was on my way out, when you prayed. I heard your prayer and it was that which brought me back.'*

*I don't even begin to understand what happened exactly that day, but I believe that God intervened in a very powerful way. In the soldier's ongoing recovery, we talked much about God's plan for his life, and I leave the rest with the Lord."*

## Pre-school news.

It's hard to believe we are coming to the end of Summer Term already. We are focusing on Summer activities this half term and we've been looking again at insects and bugs, particularly enjoying the book "The Very Hungry Caterpillar".



We have been spending as much time as we can outside, in spite of all the rain. We've also enjoyed building for construction week, and celebrated Dad's for Father's Day and practised using a drill to make wooden keyrings.

For the last few weeks of this half term we are looking forward to our Sports Day, beach week, festival week and going on a teddy bears picnic so we are definitely hoping for some sunny weather.



We will, of course, be sad to say goodbye to some of our preschoolers as they move on to "big school" at the end of term, and wish them all the best in their future education.

*All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to up to 15 hours of free early years education so please get in touch if you would like to know more and visit the Preschool to have a look around, we have a few spaces available for September.*

St Peter's Pre-School and Toddler Group  
St Peter's Church Centre, Street Lane, Ardingly RH17 6UN  
Charity Number 1022794 registered in England & Wales  
Tel: 07969 890907

<http://www.st-peters-preschool-ardingly.org/>

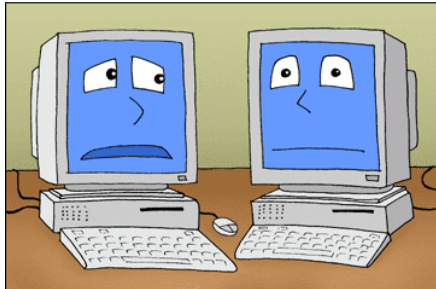
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***"It's not how much we do,
It's how much love we put into the 'doing' "***

(Mother Theresa)

NOT TOO SERIOUSLY ...

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"Oh no, humans didn't invent us at all We evolved from plastic, wires and little micro things"

Parent 1: "My kid's graduating soon; in May he'll be an engineer. What's your kid going to be when he gets out of college?"

Parent 2: "At the rate he's going? About thirty."

My face in the mirror
Isn't wrinkled or drawn.
My house isn't dirty,
The cobwebs are gone.
My garden looks lovely
And so does my lawn.
I think I might never
Put my glasses back on.

Husband: "This article says women use about 30,000 words a day, whereas men only use 15,000 words."

Wife: "That's probably because a woman has to say everything twice."

Husband: "...What?"



ROUND THE VILLAGE News and views collated by the editor 892344



Ardingly's 4th Scarecrow Festival

in May again produced some excellent creations!

"Buttercup", the scarecrow made by 1st Ardingly Brownie and Rainbows, was suddenly kidnapped from the bench at the crossroads but happily was found shortly afterwards near Ardingly College and returned to her seat. "Buttercup" (left) and some of the other scarecrows can be seen below.

The Festival certainly does encourage drivers to observe the speed limit as they pass through the village – many were seen slowing down and admiring the scarecrows as they passed them - and laughing at this one, named "George Bush"!





ARDINGLY COLLEGE is offering a holiday club this summer from 1st July to 23rd August for children in years 1-8. It's open to all and is not just for children who attend the College. There are various options between 7am and 7pm and children can choose to attend for a day or longer. More information at <https://www.ardingly.com/venue-hire/holiday-sports-camps/>

The **approach to the tennis courts**, and the parking area, are both looking very smart now that they have been resurfaced.



LONDON to BRIGHTON BIKE RIDE



Sunday 16th June once again saw thousands of cyclists swishing through the village on their way to Brighton, despite disappointingly damp and breezy weather. And once again Ardingly Scouts provided refreshments of food and drink to help them on their way.

The Scouts have been providing refreshments for the cyclists for over 25 years now, in the layby opposite the Showground. All the Scouts are involved plus lots of helpers and setting up is done on the Saturday before the event. They are then kept extremely busy from about 6.00am on Sunday, with the first cyclists coming through at around 8.00am. Food is served until about 4pm that day and as well as helping to provide food and drink the scouts help with litter picking and sorting out recycling.

On the menu are hot and cold drinks, fruit, and hot food including burgers, hot dogs, bacon and eggs. The Scouts' speciality is the 'Ardingly Burger', which includes a large sausage, a burger, bacon, cheese and egg!

Parish Register

There are no new entries in the Parish Register.

PRAYER

That we can glimpse you within creation
is a beautiful thought,
but also tells us that you desire to be seen,
to be found and known.
Open our eyes, Lord,
as we walk through this world,
feel the wind and sunshine,
see the majesty of creation
unfolding before our eyes.
Help us to see you. Amen

Flower Rota for July & August

Friday 12th July - Pat and Sheila
Friday 26th July - Belinda Maclean
Friday 9th August - Pam and Angela
Friday 23rd August - Pat and Sheila



Brass Rota for July & August:

27th July - Pamela Dennis and Caroline Rich
31st August - Roy and Una Tester



Meeting Point Rota for July:

1st July - Jill, Alison and Deb
15th July - Belinda, Margaret and 'Lyn
29th July - Adele, Diana and Sandy

General Information

BELL RINGING: Practices on Thursdays at 8.00pm. New recruits please contact Lynn Wilson (892113).

BIBLE READING NOTES: Regular reading helps us to grow as Christians. Bible Reading Fellowship notes are available from Margaret Dale (892252).

BOOKS: On loan and for sale at back of church or can be ordered specially. Contact Anne Kelly (892540).

BRASS CLEANING: If you wish to join the team, contact Pam Dennis (892692)

BRASS RUBBING: Appointments may be made via Churchwardens. Fee £10.00.

CHOIR: The choir, who practise on Wednesdays from 7.15pm to 8.00pm, always welcome new members. Please contact Jill Veasey 892442

CHURCH CENTRE: Hire of Centre, crockery, cutlery and chairs: contact Carol Grossman 416707

FLOWERS: Belinda Maclean (892368) is always glad to hear from anyone who would like to arrange / give flowers for the decoration of the church.

GIVING: Special weekly or monthly envelopes or bankers' order forms are available from Jean Jeffery (440979). Anyone paying income tax or capital gains tax is encouraged to sign a Gift Aid declaration which would enable the church to claim tax (currently 25 %) on all their giving.

HOME GROUPS meet for bible study, prayer and fellowship on various nights of the week in homes.

MAGAZINE: Annual Subscription £3.00. Can be delivered or posted (Post extra). **MAGAZINE EDITORS:** Michael Denman, Rye Cottage, 35 High Street Ardingly RH17 6TB (Tel. 892344) and Sue Laker, 19 Ardings Close, Ardingly RH17 6AN (Tel. 892117). Items for inclusion must be submitted by noon on the Saturday before the penultimate Sunday in the month. Email: denmanardingly@gmail.com or emails4sue@gmail.com

TRANSPORT: If you require transport to church or to Meeting Point, or if you could provide it for others, please contact Jeannie Leadsom (892571).

YOUTH: Crèche and Children's activities - Contact Anne Kelly 892540

ANGELS & URCHINS: Thursdays 9-11.00 Contact Jill Veasey 892442

PRAYER DIARY AUGUST 2019

"Surely God is my help; the Lord is the one who sustains us" (Ps. 54 v 4)



- 1 John and Sally Crutchley and their family
- 2 Chris Sutton – his family, work and ministry
- 3 Scripture Union and all beach missions and holiday camps
- 4** Give thanks that Jesus died so that we could know Him
- 5 CPAS: helping, encouraging and enabling parish churches
- 6 All who live on the margins of society
- 7 Jonny & Beth Burgess, coming back to the UK to work
- 8 Angels & Urchins Summer Special today. All who help and attend
- 9 Praise God for opportunities to relax; for sight, sound & music
- 10 Street Pastors and those who patrol Beachy Head
- 11** May we grow in awareness of God's grace and love today
- 12 Protection, courage and blessing for persecuted Christians
- 13 Give thanks for the beauty of creation and the local countryside
- 14 Single parents, juggling work and child care
- 15 School children planning their future following exam results
- 16 Samara's Aid; guidance, protection and blessing for her and Dr A
- 17 'Soul Survivor' encouraging and equipping young Christians
- 18** Our Services today: a deeper appreciation of God's love for us
- 19 Belinda MacLean & Meeting Point. The summer outing today
- 20 Those in financial difficulty or who have been made redundant
- 21 Our care for the environment & plans to reduce damage to it
- 22 Those who are anxious, depressed or suffer poor mental health
- 23 Christian outreach in areas of deprivation, riots or racial tension
- 24 Pray for Jill, the choir and all who lead worship at St Peter's
- 25** May hearts be changed and needs met in our worship today
- 26 All who work in the Forces and serve at sea or abroad
- 27 Wakehurst Place: all who work there and those who visit
- 28 Pray for those who counsel people following a crisis
- 29 Pray for new opportunities to share and live out God's love
- 30 Our village schools as they prepare for the new term
- 31 Count the blessings of past months and give thanks

PRAYER DIARY JULY 2019



Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you" (1 Peter 5 v 7)

- 1 John and Sally Crutchley and their family
- 2 Members of Parliament and the selection of a new Prime Minister
- 3 Chris Sutton – his family, work and ministry
- 4 All who foster children and support them in crisis
- 5 Give thanks for Ardingly Reservoir and the enjoyment it gives
- 6 General Synod meeting over the next few days
- 7** May our worship inspire and equip us to serve God better
- 8 Pray for those suffering from any kind of addiction
- 9 Our Parish Council and all who serve on it
- 10 Chaplains, serving and supporting in the Army, Navy & RAF
- 11 Countries recovering from recent natural disasters
- 12 People of Yemen, suffering disease and food shortages
- 13 All foreign students and visitors to the UK this summer
- 14** May lives be transformed and faith strengthened today
- 15 Pray for friends and family who do not know Jesus
- 16 Pray for safety on the streets of our big cities
- 17 All who run and use the foodbanks
- 18 All children who are leaving or changing schools this month
- 19 Heather Johnstone and the Rehema Project in Tanzania
- 20 Our Churchwardens and Lay Readers, Nigel, John and Phil
- 21** Praise God for forgiveness and for His peace, love and joy
- 22 Our local hospitals, doctors and other NHS staff
- 23 The Police, working often in difficult and dangerous situations
- 24 Village lunch and all those who prepare it
- 25 Pray for rest & relaxation for all teachers during the holidays
- 26 Safety in travelling and on the beaches this summer
- 27 PCC meeting today – pray for God's guidance and wisdom
- 28** May many be touched by God's love and healing today
- 29 Give thanks for friends and family and pray for the lonely
- 30 All who do the flowers, clean and lovingly care for St Peter's
- 31 Thank God for prayers answered and His unfailing love

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