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SUNDAY SERVICES

9.00 am A traditional form of Holy Communion

10.30 am Morning Worship – our main service – see Services page

**The church is also open daily
from 10am to 5pm for private prayer**

See the following pages for full details of all this month's services

A message from the Rector and Churchwardens

St Peter's Church: a financial update

Where we are

Like many other churches, indeed, like so many people and organizations, including our own diocese, we face financial pressures. Costs go up and the demands on our stretched income increase daily.

Our biggest annual expenditure is our Parish Share. This is the amount asked by the diocese to cover the costs of ministry in this parish, combined with a contribution to the expenses incurred by the diocese for the benefit of all parishes to promote the gospel of Jesus Christ. Ideally all parishes would pay 100% of the required share. Sadly, this is becoming the exception rather than the rule. For many years in the past, we at St Peter's were able to do this; indeed we paid more when we could. In recent years, however, our contribution fell as low as 60%, although now, thanks to God's gracious provision, we have been able to raise that figure annually until we felt able to step out in faith to pledge 80% for 2024, a sum of about £65,000.

The closer we can return to paying our Parish Share, the more realistic is the prospect both of maintaining full-time ministry in this parish and supporting the funding for the diocese to maintain roles vital to the benefit of its parishes.

This year's pledged figure looks daunting. Despite the ongoing generosity of the church family, generous givers have died; we're all getting older; pensions are having to stretch further and interest rates on investments have been historically low. We are halfway through the year and heading for a significant income shortfall, possibly as much as £18,000. Yet we remain trusting in God's provision.



We also face additional costs this year in respect of the repair and maintenance of the church: repairs to the roof (£11,000), two new noticeboards (c.£3,700) and a mandatory building inspection (£1800) are the start. We also need to obtain a digital survey of the church building and its surrounds (preliminary estimate: c.£3,300).

In the first instance this will allow us to consider how best to re-order the layout of the belfry so as to provide safe access through it to the top of the tower. But this is also an investment for the future. The last plan was drawn up in 1914 and a modern one will save us time and expense as future work is carried out in or outside the church in years to come. Still we remain trusting in God's provision.



Finally, plans are already in place for a major restoration of the tower. This will encompass repair to the West window, the stonework around it, the ironwork protecting it, the repointing of the masonry, repair to the upper windows, improved belfry access and the re-channeling of the drainage. The cost for this will be in the region of £110,000. We will be seeking grant funding for some of this although the competition for such funding will always be fierce. The church family, with the aid of a wider appeal to our village community through meetings, events, and a

variety of media, should also be able to help with this. We will continue to step out in faith that God will provide.

The longer-term future

Once this work is done, we need to look further ahead to re-order, refurbish and re-equip our church building to serve this community and all who worship here for future generations. We would like to re-plaster and re-paint the walls, renew the flooring, provide toilets, improve disabled access and storage, and accommodate a meeting room. Above all, we want to design an attractive space for worship that is more adaptable, both for services and other events - a contemporary welcome within a traditional ambience.

To this end, we have begun reviewing St Peter's Centre - a building, with its surrounds, which we have owned for around 40 years. Its use has shrunk in recent years; it fulfils less the missional purpose it had when it was acquired and there is abundant provision from other venues in the village. It is also vulnerable to some imminent and extremely expensive repairs.

The building also now runs at a loss. We have always tried to be fair and reasonable in setting our charges to hirers and we have been keen to use this facility to support our village community on a non-profit basis. Members of the Parochial Church Council, however, are essentially trustees of a charity and we have a duty to consider the viability of the Centre in the context of its income and expenditure. The review is ongoing.

Conclusion

This is all cause for hope. We remind ourselves that '*unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labour in vain*' (Ps.127:1). It is the Lord's house we are building. He will provide. In faith we will keep on praying; on God's strength we will keep on leaning and in joy we will keep on joining with Him in the mission to bring the good news of Jesus to our community.

John Crutchley, John Witherington, Nigel Cheater

CONCERT BY 8 CELLISTS : "THROUGH COLOURED GLASS"

Friday 16th August at 7pm
Church of St Michael, 158 High St, Lewes

£10 entry to raise funds for refugee charities
Care4Calais, Save the Children and
International Rescue Committee.

The programme will be Renaissance, Baroque and Romantic music,
"threaded together and played continuously as a musical meditation
lasting approximately 60 minutes"

Services in July 2024

Sunday 7th July

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

2 Corinthians 12: 2 - 10; Mark 6: 1 - 13

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

2 Corinthians 12: 2 - 10; Mark 6: 1 - 13

Morning Praise

6.00pm

Open to God

A quiet and reflective service for the end of the day

Sunday 14th July

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

Ephesians 1: 3 - 14; Mark 6: 14 - 29

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Ephesians 1: 3 - 14; Mark 6: 14 - 29

Holy Communion (CW)

Sunday 21st July

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

Ephesians 2: 11 - 22; Mark 6: 45 - 52

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Ephesians 2: 11 - 22; Mark 6: 45 - 52

Morning Praise

Sunday 28th July

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

Ephesians 3: 14 - 21; John 6: 1 - 15

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Ephesians 3: 14 - 21; John 6: 1 - 15

Holy Communion (CW)

with prayer for healing and wholeness

Services in August 2024

Sunday 4th August

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

Ephesians 4: 1 - 16; John 6: 24 - 35

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Ephesians 4: 1 - 16; John 6: 24 - 35

Morning Praise

6.00pm

Open to God

A quiet and reflective service for the end of the day

Sunday 11th August

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2; John 6: 35 and 41-51

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2; John 6:35 and 41-51

Holy Communion (CW)

Sunday 18th August

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

Ephesians 5: 15 - 20; John 6: 51 - 58

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Ephesians 5: 15 - 20; John 6: 51 - 58

Holy Communion (CW)

with prayer for healing and wholeness

Sunday 25th August

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

Galatians 3: 16 - 22; Luke 10: 25 - 37

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Acts 2: 36 - 41; Matthew 3: 17 - 20

Morning Praise

Baptism of Albert Jonathan Hamilton Crutchley

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. Help is appreciated in setting up tables etc.



We will be having an outing in August but the date and venue have not been decided yet. Details will be announced soon.

Belinda Maclean

Angels & Urchins

For babies, pre-school children and their carers
Thursday mornings in school term time
0900-1100 at Peter's Church Centre (front door)
Last session before summer: 18th July 2024
Start date for the new term: 5th September

Ardingly Evening W.I .

18th July: Meeting in Hapstead Hall 7.15 for 7.30 pm. A Speaker from Grape & Grain will be talking on the subject of "Wine Tasting"
3rd August: Summer Barbecue

Village Lunch

Wednesday 10th July at Hapstead Hall. 12.30 for 1.00 pm
Tickets £8 from Ardingly News or 01444 892717 (Deb Ruse)

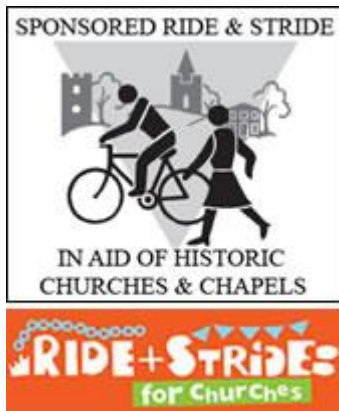
Coffee morning at St Peter's Centre

13th July. Proceeds will be donated to Samara's Aid Appeal

Village Day: Saturday 20th July (more details on page 21)

Film Night: Saturday 27th July

Sussex Historic Churches Trust



Sponsored Ride and Stride 14th September 2024

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 415317.

Jean Jeffery

Thank you from the Editor

At this time of year it's time to say a big '**Thank you**' to all those who contribute to, print, proof read, sort and deliver the magazine on a monthly basis.

Without you it wouldn't happen! I hope you 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 16th. The email address is emails4sue@gmail.com Many thanks!
Sue Laker



Children's Society boxes

Just to let you know, the total raised in the collecting boxes this year is £393.30. Thank you to all those who have so generously kept the boxes in your homes and collected for this worthy cause.

Jean and Tony Jeffery

PLANT SALE

A big "Thank You" to everyone who supported the sale of plants on 9th June. Esther had also grown some plants, and together we raised a total of £100 for church funds. I hope the plants grow well and give everyone much pleasure.

Jean Jeffery



LINDFIELD

Saturday 6th July

(No Repair Café in August)

10am – 1.00pm

United Reformed Church, 52 High Street, Lindfield RH16 2HL

REPAIR CAFE

FOREST ROW - Saturday 20th July and 17th August

10am – 1.00pm

The Community Centre, Forest Row RH18 5DZ

TURNERS HILL - Saturday 27th July

(No Repair Café in August)

10am – 12pm

The Glebe Centre, Vicarage Road, Crawley Down RH10 4JJ

Saturday 13th July

Come and enjoy a 'proper' cup of coffee
(or tea), lovely home-made cake
and good company

10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

At St Peter's Church Centre,
Street Lane, Ardingly RH17 6UN

The event is free
but donations will be invited to raise funds for Samara's
Aid Appeal
(www.samarasaidappeal.org)



For more information contact Jill (jomant55@gmail.com)

SAMARA'S AID NEWS

TWO MORE OUTREACH CENTRES FOR ORPHANS & WIDOWS

Between our two current outreach centres we serve more than 800 orphans and vulnerable children in our busy months, with an essential cooked meal each day and education and activities. We are in the process of building two more centres: one will be a smaller centre in the desert, serving the impoverished, neglected communities there, and the other will be a similar sized centre to our first two, serving one of the earthquake affected areas where there are also great needs. These needs are reflected right across the entire, damaged nation of Syria.



Very simple, cheap accommodation is being built from the resources provided under our feet, for visiting staff who will help serve in the desert outreach centre. This one (*left*) will be a domed room, where one of the team can sleep when they visit to stay and serve the vulnerable people in this area. It has to be built just a few rows at a time, then left to dry out before the next few layers are laid.

Our city outreach centre team continues taking food each week to a juvenile detention centre near our city outreach centre. They have now increased these lunch visits to 2-3 times each week.

The children at the city outreach centre are given a healthy meal each day using eggs, sheep's milk, cheese, 'lift' (pickled turnip - delicious in felafel wraps) and other foods harvested from our farm.



MEDICAL CENTRE

Many treatments are offered free of charge if the patient cannot afford to pay. Some patients are emotional, one saying that what our team are doing is unique, and really showing the face of God. These people feel loved, that someone genuinely cares for them, in a place where healthcare isn't free and where most, understandably, don't trust the system.

For the time being, we aren't actively collecting any aid in the UK, as we aren't able to use the warehouse that we have been using for the last few years because there are safety issues in the building. However, if you have items, please keep them in your garages and spare rooms until we do our next appeal. Thank you!

Thank you again for your generous support and prayers. Every life you help us touch is so precious.

FOOD AID

Our team have been distributing flour in one of the earthquake affected areas. When our team first started distributing at this new centre, large crowds had gathered outside, who had heard about the possibility of aid. The situation escalated until people were trying to break down the door to take the aid. The situation was brought under control after the team sent everyone home and explained the registration process and how the distributions work. It was a very tense few days at the start, and someone managed to steal a bag of flour and run off with it. It's so sad to see how desperate people are for something as simple as a bag of flour.



It didn't take long to distribute nearly a whole container of flour. The needs are great and people are hungry. The young, the old, and everyone in between. Poverty is indiscriminate.

Samara Levy

Ardingly Old Jeshwang Association

An exciting new initiative by General Administrator, Cherno Yaddeh and his team took place on Sunday, 11th May. An "Outreach Clinic" was held in the Old Jeshwang Primary School and provided Free Health Screening for Diabetes and Hypertension to the community and surrounds.



The Outreach Clinic ran from 9.00am until 5.00pm, with those attending registered and basic demographic information collected, after which blood pressure and blood sugar levels were measured. On hand were Clinic staff, Doctors, nurses and pharmacists including laboratory technicians with appropriate medical testing equipment, together with IT support to ensure data was efficiently collated. The primary objectives of this initiative were to:

- detect early signs of diabetes and hypertension
- provide necessary medications
- offer follow-up care at the Clinic
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The Outreach served as a way to give back to the residents of Old Jeshwang.

A total of 167 patients were seen, 51 male and 116 female with ages ranging from 2 to 87 years old.

Naturally, a whole host of other ailments were diagnosed as a result and, where necessary, medication and advice given with regard to possible future treatment.

Cherno's very detailed report can be found on our website (<https://aoja.org/outreach-clinic-may-24/>) and I would highly recommend you click onto the link to see for yourself how much of a success it was and how grateful he was to all those others who gave generously of their time and expertise.

He concludes:

"The outreach programme has not only provided vital health services but has also raised awareness, empowered individuals and strengthened community engagement. By detecting chronic conditions early, providing access to medications and offering follow-up care, we have taken proactive steps toward improving health outcomes and enhancing the quality of life for our residents"

Lynn Wilson

LUNCHTIME CONCERT



An audience of over 40 people attended the lunchtime concert given at St Peter's Church by music students from Ardingly College on 23rd May. This year the performers were 8 students from the Lower 6th and, as in previous years, the standard was impressively high.

The programme included items ranging from Beethoven and Bach to Broadway and the Shows and included solos by Alban Van den Bosch and Noah Distin, who also performed an Allegro by Bach on the flute.

Olivia Edwards displayed a talent for both the piano and the cello and other students also performed twice.

Instruments played included the oboe, flute, piano, violin, cello and (electric) jazz guitar, and where needed, students were accompanied on the piano by music teacher, Steve Smith.

The concert was free but a retiring collection was made to raise funds for extra curricular activities at St Peter's C.E. Primary School.

It was a real pleasure to enjoy accomplished performances from such talented young people and hopefully we can look forward to another concert next year!

Thank you, Ardingly College!

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and Annual Parish Meeting (APM)

The APCM was held on Tuesday 21 May in the Church Centre. At this meeting, parishioners, whilst enjoying a glass of wine and snacks, heard about the running of the church and had the opportunity to elect new officers.

The meeting also had the opportunity to share and discuss the Trustees report and Financial Statements and consider the implications for the future of St. Peter's Church.

There was also a chance to thank the Rector, the church wardens and the PCC for all their hard work, support and leadership over the past year.

Thanks were also given to all those who volunteer within the Church community, to Jean for her work as Treasurer and to Jane for her work as secretary.

The Rector also thanked all those who carry out the important role as sides people for making visitors feel so welcome and comfortable within St. Peter's Church.

The results of the elections were as follows

Churchwardens	John Witherington Nigel Cheater
Secretary to the PCC	Jane Taylor Cheater
PCC Members re-elected	Carol Grossman Sue Laker Esther Wigmore

Jane Taylor Cheater – PCC Secretary



ST PETER'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

The summer term at St Peter's School is always busy, and this year is no exception. We are fortunate to be placed in an amazing location and we do not hesitate to take full advantage of our surroundings!



After all their hard work in completing the SATs, year 6 pupils had a great time down at the reservoir, enjoying the water. Their morning was filled with kayaking and paddle boarding and generally demonstrating that they were brave, determined and always ready to 'have a go'. What a great time was had by all!

Year 6 were not the only pupils to have the opportunity to explore nearby settings. Cuckoo Class were able to spend some time at Wakehurst Place, looking at the life cycle of a sunflower. They were able to display their creativity by making artwork from natural materials, much to the delight of the Wakehurst staff. Of course, no visit to Wakehurst would be complete without taking the opportunity to enjoy the trees and wildlife, which the children all enjoyed.

In late June, we have our "Marvellous Me Week", when we take the opportunity to celebrate our differences and the diversity in our multicultural society. Lots of exciting events are taking place culminating in our very own "St Peter's Got Talent" show! Pupils will be able to sing, dance, play an instrument.... and demonstrate their many other skills and talents to their peers. As well as the diversity week, we will be having a drama workshop, writing workshop, a Rocksteady Concert and let's not forget the Big Sing!



Of course, this is the summer term which means that we will be saying goodbye to our year 6 pupils. They will all be taking part with the rest of the KS2 pupils in the KS2 production, "Pirates of the Curry Bean" – sounds like fun! All this AND Sports Day as well – now all we need is some lovely summer weather for our events and our summer fair on Friday 12th July!!

LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024



Link to Hope have just launched their 2024 Shoebox appeal, which St Peter's Church will be supporting again this year.

Link to Hope distributes shoeboxes through trusted partners in Romania, Moldova, Bulgaria and Ukraine. Shoeboxes will go directly to people who are poor and marginalised in Eastern Europe: families, the elderly and people that literally struggle to survive on a day to day basis. A simple gift of a shoebox shows love and care for people who would otherwise have very little hope.

If you're able to support this appeal, the more time you have to prepare and pack your shoeboxes, the more interesting and probably cheaper it will be. By buying individual items each month, it spreads the cost and means there is no last minute rushing around just as you are preparing to get ready for Christmas. For a list of what can be put in a shoebox please contact Sue (892117 or emails4sue@gmail.com).

OPEN AIR OPERA at BORDE HILL

Friday 19th to Sunday 21st July

Britain's leading outdoor touring company, Opera Brava, will be presenting 3 evenings of open air opera, performed with a chamber ensemble and in lavish costume, against the backdrop of the Elizabethan House at Borde Hill. The programme is as follows:

Carmen on Friday 19th July, 7.30 – 10.30 pm
Tosca on Saturday 20th July, 7.30 – 10.30 pm
Magic of Opera on Sunday 21st July, 6.30 – 9.00 pm

Tickets: Adult £40, Couple £70, Child £12 and advance booking is required (www.bordehill.co.uk or Tel. 01444 450326)

Take your own deck chair and picnic

NOT TOO SERIOUSLY ...

A lady came to the hospital to visit a friend. She had not been in a hospital for several years and felt uneasy, not having seen all the new technology before.



A technician was walking down the corridor, wheeling a large, intimidating looking machine with tubes and wires and dials.

"Boy, would I hate to be hooked up to that thing," she said.

"So would I," replied the technician. "It's a floor-cleaning machine."

An elderly couple are having dinner in a restaurant. The wife sees another couple about their age sitting nearby. She sees the husband sitting close to his wife, with his arm around her. He is whispering in her ear, and she is smiling and blushing. He's gently rubbing her shoulder and touching her hair.

The woman turns to her husband and says, "Look at that couple over there. Look how close that man is to his wife, how he's talking to her. Look at how sweet he is. Why don't you do that?"

Her husband looks up from his Caesar salad and glances over at the couple. Then he turns to his wife and says, "Honey, I don't even know that woman."

CHURCH TYPING ERRORS! *[not ours!]*

~ A worm welcome to all visitors who have come today.

~ If you would like to make a donation, fill out a form, enclose a cheque and drip in the collection basket.

~ We are grateful for the help of those who cleaned up the grounds around the church building and the Rector.

~ Newsletters are not being sent to absentees because of their weight.

~ Helpers are needed! Please sign up on the information sheep.



ARDINGLY PARISH COUNCIL

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ARDINGLY PARISH COUNCIL NEWS JULY 2024

As the general election rapidly approaches, we are reminded how fortunate we are to have a voice, a vote, to influence the priorities of our leaders. Be sure to exercise your right and come out and vote on 4th July!

Whilst the Parish Council is not excessively influential, it is able to highlight issues and ensure our local priorities are presented. Some have mentioned their concerns that with the national shift in constituencies, our voice will be further diluted as we join parts of the districts of Lewes, Mid Sussex and Wealden. We have been reassured that whilst this splits some of the geographic focus, it will merely mean we have a new MP to represent our higher level concerns in the House of Commons. We continue to rely on West Sussex County Council and Mid Sussex District Council for all of our day-to-day requirements.

Separately, there will be changes at the Parish Council level. We will be co-opting a new councillor at our 9th July council meeting. We also have another vacancy to fill as a result of Clive Guy stepping down. We would like to thank him for all of his contributions to the Council and wish him all the very best. We will be publishing details of the process shortly so if you are interested in making a difference in the village, please keep a look out for it. We will look to have our full team of 11 councillors in place following our 10th September council meeting.

Please note with the advent of summer and with our Parish Clerk currently off, we will be limiting the Parish Council surgeries going forward to the first Wednesday of each month. You can of course always contact us outside of these times by phone or email.

This week we welcomed St. Peter's Primary School to the newly refurbished pavilion where they enjoyed a very sunny sports day! The pavilion will continue to be improved as we have been successful in obtaining a £7,000 grant from the Gatwick Trust, which will allow us to refurbish the kitchen area. This in conjunction with the generous donation of over £1,000 from the Ardingly Cricket Club crowdfunding efforts, will move us ever closer to completion! Please do drop by to see the improvements and cheer on our village Cricket Team!

Other improvements will come from *Hedges???* who we have hired to maintain our green spaces. You will see Phil Payne around the village as he dedicates two days a month to provide the gardening maintenance in the village. He has a long list of catching up to do, but he is working through it. If you see anything which you think needs attention, don't hesitate to contact the Clerk.

In other projects, we are investigating how to improve parking in the village. Specifically, we are looking to improve parking at the recreation ground and tennis courts to relieve some of the pressures of the 'school run' on the village. We have some remaining funding from the Monks Meadow development which will form the majority of investment.

Lots going on, but there is always time to enjoy our beautiful area! Enjoy your summer holidays and please note there will be no council meeting in August as we, too, will be on holiday! Enjoy the summer!

Thank you to everyone who has passed on their used ink cartridges for recycling. 75 were posted off in June and the funds generated by these will be donated to Traidcraft.



If you have any used ink cartridges please pop them into the tub at the back of church.

SPONSORED WALK FOR ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

Alzheimer's Research UK said last year that one in two people will be directly affected by dementia because they will either care for someone with the condition or develop it themselves. For several years Adelaide Asibwa (*pictured far left on back row*) – a member of St Peter's Church - has organised an annual sponsored walk during Dementia Awareness week. This year 9 people took part, including Judith Rae, Sally Martin and carers from Compton House in Lindfield. Beginning at Waitrose they walked 6 miles around Lindfield and Haywards Heath in beautiful weather, finishing back at Waitrose for a well deserved coffee and some cake. They raised a total of £450 for the Alzheimer's Society. Well done all of you!



Ardingly Connected Together & Village Day

Is the date in your diary and etched into your brain?? **July 20th** is **Ardingly Village Day** and promises to have lots to engage everyone across the ages.

Let's start at the very beginning (a very good place to start). There will be a **table sale** on Oaklands Green, where you can come and find just what you had no idea you needed! Why not take a look at home and sort out all those things that may be useful to someone else and that you don't want? To book your table (or blanket if you don't have a table!), please contact Becky West on 07860 487545 or email bexwest71@gmail.com. A table costs £5 with all proceeds going to ACT to support its work in the village.

Have you ever wondered what it's like in the Ardingly College Crypt? Do you know the history of the college? Would you like to take a tour of this lovely building? Well, Village Day will give you this chance! Sign up and book your place to take a **tour of Ardingly College**. *(The link is on page 23)*



We've got a **cricket match** taking place in the afternoon and a **darts tournament** in the evening, as well as a **tennis tournament** for all the sports enthusiasts. The History Society will be running an **exhibition in Hapstead Hall** with plenty of interesting information. This may well be useful when all your family is looking to complete the **treasure trail** around the village! The treasure trail questionnaire will be available from Kim at the Old Post Office and there is a cash prize for the winners!

In the afternoon, come to Hapstead Hall and enjoy listening to Ardingly's very own **Community Choir** while you partake of **tea, scones and cake**, organised by the evening WI. You may also be persuaded to come and join the fun of the choir – we meet in St Peter's School Hall on Monday evenings during term time, with the emphasis being on singing and FUN!

During the day, we are planning on having snacks and refreshments available, provided by the preschool, as well as some **games for children**. To top off the day, why not plan to join us for the **BBQ (with a bar!)** to round off a full-on, lovely, family-oriented day? Definitely not a day to miss!

FSW June 2024 update

Dear Friends,



The summer is drawing ever closer and with it, a break which for many of our families is something to dread as opposed to something to look forward to. With financial constraints still a huge issue for the majority of our caseloads, it is hard to fill the long summer break with activities that keep children occupied without adding additional stress to already complex family situations. As a result, we try to organise as many local and charity-wide events and activities that we can which will give parents a break and give children the opportunity to try new experiences. If you would like to support this in any way then please see our "Magical Summer" campaign on our website home page (www.familysupportwork.org).

Our recent activity has been very much focussed on helping families with school, housing and health related issues. Complicated forms and bureaucracy can be very overwhelming for our clients, so our practitioners' ability to explain in simple terms and assist with these official documents is a huge help.



Moving to our fundraising activity, we are delighted to announce that the "Leap of Faith" skydive team were able to complete their jump. The total raised so far is in the region of £6700, which is absolutely wonderful! Thank you so much to everybody who supported this event, and if you head to the News section of our website you will be able to see the video of their experience. We also had a successful Cuckmere Pilgrim Path sponsored walk at the end of May – a new event which we will be repeating next year by popular request. Our Amberley-Arundel walk is taking place on 22nd August, so please get in touch if you would like to join this event, by emailing the team on fundraising@familysupportwork.org.uk.

Nikki Kerr, FSW Director of Fundraising and Marketing

Parish Register

There are no entries in the Parish Register this month.

PRAYER

Thank you for light and warmth.

Thank you for the sun.

Thank you for the gifts of nature and for the annual cycles and seasons.

Today, give us that grace again, to see you as the Creator, the One who lifts us up to be with you forever, even now.

Amen

Flower Rota

12th July: Pat and Sheila

26th July: Belinda and Jill

9th August: Pam and Jean

23rd August: Pat and Sheila



Meeting Point Rota

July 1st : Adele, Diana, Sue

July 15th : Jill, Deb & George, Dilys

July 29th : Belinda, Alison, Kathy



Brass Cleaning Rota

6th July: John and Sally Crutchley

31st August: Jill Veasey and Jill O'Mant

The link to sign up and book for a tour of Ardingly College on 20th July:
https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=kfpWzLBTIkSb1Vc4wn6m2vzsJ_e4ybtJv5BOqgtxTyVUNVVOQTk1WIJNVew2R1BWR1VMTjNWWk9QWi4u

You can also find this on the website copy of the parish magazine.

General Information

ANGELS & URCHINS: At St Peter's Centre on Thursdays, 9-11.00 during term time. Contact Jill Veasey (892442) or Jane Taylor Cheater (892769).

BELL RINGING: If you are interested in joining the team of bell ringers please contact Lynn Wilson (892113)

BIBLE READING NOTES: Regular reading helps us to grow as Christians. Bible Reading Fellowship notes are available from Glynis Doerr (892431). Email: glynismdoerr@gmail.com

BOOKS can be borrowed from the back of church, free of charge

BRASS CLEANING: Help with brass cleaning is always welcome. Contact Adele Collins (892189)

BRASS RUBBING: Appointments may be made via the Churchwardens (John 892277 or Nigel 892769). Fee: £10.00

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 (415317). It is also possible to donate on our website. 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. Cheques should be made out to *St Peter's Church, Ardingly* and please email the editor if you need our bank details.

HOME GROUPS meet for bible study, prayer and fellowship on various afternoons/evenings of the week. New members are always very welcome. Contact: John Witherington (892277)

MAGAZINE: 2024 Annual Subscription £3.00. Can be delivered or posted (if posted the cost is £14.00 per annum). **MAGAZINE EDITOR:** Sue Laker, 19 Ardings Close, Ardingly RH17 6AN (892117). Please submit items for inclusion by Friday before the penultimate Sunday in the month. Email to: emails4sue@gmail.com

ST PETER'S CENTRE: Hire of Centre, crockery, cutlery and chairs: contact Carol Grossman 416707

TRANSPORT: If you require transport to church, or if you could provide it for others, please contact Jill Veasey on 892442 or Jonathan Summers on 892307.

PRAYER DIARY July 2024

*"Look to the Lord and his strength;
Seek his face always" (Psalm 105 v 4)*



- 1 John and Sally Crutchley and their family
- 2 The situation in the Middle East
- 3 Cross Channel Migrants; their safety and their future
- 4 The General Election taking place today
- 5 Tearfund, helping to change lives in practical ways
- 6 Foreign students and all who will visit the UK this summer
- 7** Our services today. The witness of the church in this country
- 8 St Peter's Church building & the finances needed to repair/improve it
- 9 Give thanks for friends & family. Pray for those who don't know Jesus
- 10 Our local hospices and Care Homes
- 11 Samara Levy and Dr A. For wisdom, guidance & protection of staff
- 12 All who have recently been bereaved. All who are sad and lonely
- 13 Ardingly Scouts, Guides, Brownies and Rainbows
- 14** Our services today. May God's kingdom grow in Ardingly
- 15 Ukraine, Sudan and other places where there is conflict
- 16 The economic situation and those who are struggling financially
- 17 All who work in the Police Force and justice system
- 18 Belinda, Kevin and the IMARA team. Funding for scholarship pupils
- 19 The NHS – it's many needs and blessings
- 20 Ardingly Village Day. Pray for fun, safety and good weather
- 21** Our services today. May we grow in faith and love
- 22 Justin Welby, Stephen Cottrell and all bishops and clergy
- 23 Climate Change and our care for the planet
- 24 The team from St Peter's who lead services at Compton House
- 25 Street Pastors and those who patrol Beachy Head
- 26 All who suffer from addiction or abuse
- 27 AOJA – pray God's blessing on the work of the clinic
- 28** Our services today. Pray for healing, new life and growth
- 29 Rest and relaxation for all teachers during the school holidays
- 30 Clubs and leisure activities in Ardingly and those who lead them
- 31 Thank God for prayers answered this month and his unfailing love

PRAYER DIARY August 2024



"Great is his love towards us and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever" (Psalm 117 v 2)

- 1 John and Sally Crutchley and their family
- 2 All beach missions & Christian camps taking place this month
- 3 The new government, all MP's and plans for the future
- 4** Our services today. Pray for all who have not heard the good news
- 5 All who have fled from violence and have no home
- 6 The future of St Peter's Church Centre
- 7 Heather Johnstone and the Rehema Project in Tanzania
- 8 All who are housebound and have long term health problems
- 9 Angels and Urchins – pray for the leaders and all who attend
- 10 Our home group leaders having a break & preparing for next term
- 11** Our services today. Pray for all who lead worship
- 12 Belinda and the Meeting Point outing this month
- 13 CPAS and its work, especially the summer Youth Camps
- 14 Praise God for the pleasures of summer
- 15 Deb Ruse and the work of FSW
- 16 Pupils considering their future, following exam results
- 17 Christian outreach in areas of deprivation or racial tension
- 18** Our services today. Praise God for all his blessings
- 19 The Parish Council in Ardingly – its members and its plans
- 20 Pray for new opportunities to live out and share God's love
- 21 Milan & Shusma and the work of the Aanandit Church in Nepal
- 22 Those who suffer from poor mental health or dementia
- 23 Our churchwardens, Nigel and John
- 24 All who foster children and support them in crises
- 25** Our services today. Baptism of Albert J.H. Crutchley
- 26 All who work in the Forces or serve our country abroad
- 27 Farmers as they bring in the harvest
- 28 At Your Service and its team of helpers
- 29 Christians who suffer for their faith
- 30 Our village schools & governors, preparing for the new term
- 31 Praise God that each person is precious to him and loved

**The deadline for copy for the September magazine is
Friday 16th August**