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Growing Disciples Deepening Community



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If you'd like to feature anything in the magazine, we would love to hear from you! Articles should be emailed to **allsaintsmag@gmail.com** by the **15th of the previous month**. We like to keep content varied and interesting so almost anything goes. Please get in touch if you have any questions. Thank you!

ALL SAINTS SERVICES AND OPENING TIMES

Our pattern of services is as follows:

- ★ Morning Prayer takes place Monday to Wednesday at 9.15am in the church and via Zoom for anyone who would like this option.
- ★ A service of Holy Communion is held in church every Thursday morning at 9.30am.
- ★ An 8am service of Holy Communion is held in church on the first and third Sundays of the month (the third Sunday will use the Book of Common Prayer).
- ★ Our 10am Sunday services follow this pattern:
 - ◇ First Sunday: Café-style Altogether Worship
 - ◇ Second, fourth and fifth Sundays:
Family Communion with Children's Church
 - ◇ Third Sunday: Morning Worship with Children's Church

Note: Children's Church is term-time only
- ★ Each Sunday, we hold 'Tea-Time Church' at 4pm.
- ★ Each Sunday, we record the sermon and this can be found on our YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/@allsaintsguildford



THOUGHTS FROM THE VICARAGE



As Easter is early this year (31st March), Lent is earlier than usual too. We begin the season with a Shrove Tuesday pancake party on 13th February, followed by Ash Wednesday the next day as Lent begins.

As we've done over the course of many years, we'll be offering a Lent course once again. The course will be held via Zoom, during the five Wednesday evenings in Lent. This year the Worship Vision Group has chosen the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2024, 'Tarry Awhile: Wisdom from Black Spirituality for People of Faith', by Selina Stone. It's a remarkable book, exploring a Black Christian spiritual practice called 'Tarrying' – waiting on God, in the midst of often wearying times. The practice originates in Jesus' words to his disciples, in the garden of Gethsemane: 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and watch with me'. Through the book we're invited to wait with Jesus, opening ourselves to a genuine encounter with God and between ourselves.



The book makes the wisdom of Black spiritualities and faith available for all people. It focuses on seven themes: darkness as a place of encounter with the divine; the unity of all things; movement, belonging and migration; the Spirit as one who moves in unexpected ways; quiet contemplation as essential to spiritual growth; healing in community; and weeping that turns to joy.

Dr Selina Stone is a Postdoctoral Research Associate at Durham University, and a much sought-after speaker and preacher. She comes from an Afro-Caribbean background, and was brought up in inner city Birmingham. Her experience of growing up within a black-majority church in that city, has informed her understanding of a uniquely 'black' spirituality. There are riches and treasures here for us to discover and to own for ourselves. So do come and join us, as we begin this journey in faith together.

Beverly

MISSION FOCUS: GLOBAL HOPE IN ACTION WORKING WITH REFUGEES IN ARMENIA



What do you know about Armenia?

Until I became friends with an Armenian family living in Britain, I would have struggled to find it on a map, or told you anything about its rich and troubled history.

Did you know that Armenia was the first country in the world to proclaim itself Christian (in 301AD) and that its culture is still Orthodox Christian? Or that 1.5 million Armenians died in the 1915 genocide? Since this small, landlocked, mountainous country became independent from USSR (Russia) in 1991, it has struggled economically. It's a forgotten corner, wedged between Georgia, Turkey, Iran and Azerbaijan, only making our news from time to time when its conflicts with neighbour Azerbaijan flare up.



What is Global Hope In Action?

In 2024, All Saints will be supporting work in Armenia through Global Hope In Action. GHIA is a Christian humanitarian aid organisation (formerly known as Global Hope Network International UK), which was founded in 2012 and renamed in 2022.



Global Hope In Action's aim is "to provide help for some of the world's poorest communities, transforming lives and restoring dignity and hope. We work with people whose lives have been fractured by conflict and chronic poverty, doing so in partnership with local churches or Christian charities." Currently projects are in Armenia, Jordan, Nigeria, India and Sri Lanka.

The Development Work in Armenia

In Armenia, GHIA has been working in the rural north near the town of Spitak since 2015. Initially helping Syrian refugees, it has more recently focused on the needs of Armenian communities near Spitak which have suffered from high unemployment and social deprivation for many years.

Working mainly through local partners, Calvary Church Jrashen, a member of the Evangelical Church of Armenia, it has been supporting family and income generation programmes such as a sewing machine training scheme or improving crop production. In spring 2023, they funded the drilling of a borehole and associated pipework to irrigate local fields more effectively. The project was highly successful and the harvest for summer 2023 “way beyond” what was expected.

Parenting courses

With up to 70% of working age men having to travel abroad for work, parenting courses for single mothers have become very popular. In 2023, they continued to fund several of these courses, which are based on a UK course called ‘Kids Matter’, translated into Armenian. Summer and winter outreach programmes for children have been popular with the families.

October 2023 – Emergency Aid for a New Refugee Crisis

More recently, a huge number of ethnic Armenian refugees have fled from Nagorno-Karabakh into Armenia after Azerbaijan took over the enclave in September 2023. The Spitak region alone has had to absorb over 10,000 refugees (the town of Spitak has a population of 11,000). The community is in desperate need of help - they are already fully stretched as they respond to the need for food, accommodation, clothing for winter, blankets etc, and GHIA has been sending funds to enable the Church to do all they can as part of this enormous relief effort.

Support from All Saints for Global Hope In Action

All Saints will be inviting a speaker to explain their work at a Sunday service later in the year. In the meantime, please pray for Armenia and especially for the Calvary Church Jrashen and its pastor, Mxitar Hakobyan, as they reach out to many in need and show the love of Jesus in action. See globalhopeinaction.org.uk for more details.

Bruce Hopwood



Sunday 4th February 6.30pm at St Nicolas' Church

Come and support Sophie, Christian and Dan
as they take this step of faith.



REVISION OF ELECTORAL ROLL 2024

In accordance with the Church Representation Rules, the Church Electoral Roll has to be revised annually and this will be done in February, prior to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in March.

The planned timetable is that the formal 14 day notice of the revision will be posted in the church lobby on Sunday 4th February. The revision period will begin on Sunday 18th February and end on Saturday 2nd March. On Sunday 3rd March the revised Roll will be posted and no changes can then be made until the conclusion of the APCM on Sunday 17th March.

Whilst the main purpose of the revision is to remove any names of people no longer eligible, it is a good opportunity for new people to enrol. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the church website. Completed forms can either be scanned and emailed to allsaintschurchgfd@gmail.com or posted to: Electoral Roll Officer, All Saints' Church, Vicarage Gate, Onslow Village, Guildford, GU2 7QJ.

By enrolling, you will become a voting member of the Church of England and be entitled to vote at the APCM on matters such as electing the Parochial Church Council and our representatives on the Deanery Synod, and also be eligible for election to church appointments.

To qualify for inclusion on the roll, you must be baptised and aged 16 or over and a member of the Church of England. You should also either be resident in the parish or, if not resident, then have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the six months prior to enrolment. It is also possible for members of other churches to enrol under certain conditions.

If you have any questions, please contact me on richard@thepointers.plus.com or phone 01483 576785.

*Richard Pointer
Electoral Roll Officer*

GUILDFORD PANCAKE RACES ARE BACK!

Tuesday 13th February

Pancakes available from 10.45am outside the Guildhall

**In aid of Street Angels
(part of Guildford Town Centre Chaplaincy)**

Street Angels are a team of volunteers that patrol Guildford town centre on Friday and Saturday nights, providing practical care and support to anyone who has found themselves in a vulnerable state. This could be a result of alcohol, drugs, homelessness, assault, or other reasons. The Street Angels are there to help people have a good time and to get home safely.

See charlotteville.co.uk/2024_pancakes.html for more details

BRENDA HORSLEY: REFLECTIONS

Memories of those who knew and loved her at All Saints

I remember meeting Brenda back in 2015, when I first became vicar here at All Saints. I remember her being a lively person, with a zest for life, and love of family, friends and neighbours.



In her early years at All Saints Brenda was a member of the 'Young Wives' group, when the family lived in High View Road, and then in Manor Way; and her contemporaries were people such as Tom and Joan New, and Mary Bassett, whom some of us will remember.

When Geoff sadly died in 1984, Brenda became more deeply involved at All Saints. It was that year that she joined the Electoral Roll, and started to become a very regular worshipper. Richard and Sandra Pointer remember her sitting in the pew in front of them – in the days we still had pews! – and chatting after services. Brenda would tell them of her holidays with her great friend Doris Greenacre, another very longstanding member of All Saints, who also sadly died last year. Richard and Sandra have fond memories of Brenda looking after their pet rabbit one year, while they were on holiday.

I too remember Doris talking about the holidays she and Brenda had shared together; they were as important for Doris, another person sadly widowed at a young age, as they were for Brenda.

Brenda contributed to the life of All Saints in a number of ways. She was regularly in charge of the plant stall at the summer fete, an event that still continues today – although now in the early autumn rather than the summer. Peter Nicholls now follows in Brenda's footsteps, and the plant stall remains a hugely loved part of our annual fairs. Plants and flowers were important for Brenda, as was the garden she created at 17 East Meads. She marked Geoff's death each year by providing the flowers in church, as a memorial to him.

Apart from Sunday worship, Brenda was also a member of the 'Ladies Lunch', run by Annie Cox and Marguerite Barclay. At this monthly event in Annie's home, Brenda was able to enjoy a delicious meal, and the company of many from both All Saints and the wider community, who became firm friends. Brenda, as we know, was sociable and loved company, and the Ladies Lunch was an important part of her monthly calendar.

Friends from All Saints visited Brenda when she moved to Wey Valley House in Farnham. Among those were Diana Reiblein and Annie Cox, who had known Brenda for many years. They would bring back news of Brenda and the family, keeping the connection with All Saints and Onslow Village going. Cards were sent and relationships continued, so that Brenda continues to be a known and loved member of our church, and this community today.

Beverly



Guildford Travel Club

travel for travel's sake

On **Tuesday 13th February**, Guildford Travel Club welcomes Alex Bes-coby, award-winning film maker, writer and presenter, to talk about 'The Last Overland' road journey he recreated, the 1955 Far Eastern expedition from London to Singapore, using one of the original Land Rovers.

On **Tuesday 27th**, much travelled club member Chris Beynon will talk about his journey across a section of Nepal from the plains by the Indian border up to 3700m in Mustang, along with the foothills and Katmandu valley.

The talks are held at Onslow Village Hall, GU2 7QR, starting at 8pm. Visitors welcome. For more info visit guildfordtravelclub.org.uk or contact Barbara Rogers on 07899 868128 or info@guildfordtravelclub.org.uk.

Pancake Party!



Shrove Tuesday
13th February, 5pm-7pm
IN CHURCH

**Join us for pancakes cooked and
flipped by the Vicar!**
Selection of toppings available.

Donations to The Big Build Fund.
No booking needed - just turn up!



REVIEW: **BOARD ON SATURDAY?**

I am so proud of our first fundraising event for the Big Build project, 'Board on Saturday?'. We had no idea how this event would turn out but it was a huge success, with everyone commenting on what a fun afternoon was had.

Our intention for this event was to bring people together in a relaxed and fun setting with a selection of over 40 table top or board games - two player games, team games and single player games, plus toddler puzzles courtesy of Hunter and Finn.



We had a fantastic sponsor for this event – Unplug + Play café, based in Jeffries Passage just off Guildford High Street. They not only provided a carefully curated assortment of games for us, but stayed to help players find new games and learn to play. Who knew there were so many types of game! A big thank you to Chris and his team for helping us with this event. I truly hope we will be able to collaborate with them again soon.

We had tables of various sizes set up in the church to suit different games and players, from dominoes to Dobble. There was also a kids' area, with mats, toddler sized tables

and chairs, books and games, enclosed by chairs for those that wanted to play safely on the floor.




Tea, coffee, and a selection of delicious cakes made by our congregation were for sale in the Reading Room. I am very happy to say that there were no left overs to take home to hinder my New Year's resolutions!

I have to say a huge thank you to all those who helped with this event, especially Paddy, Jo and Carolyn for thinking of all the little details we could have missed. Another thank you to those who came along. Not only did you make it a wonderful afternoon with your laughter and competitiveness, you also helped us raise over £240 towards our Big Build project. Thank you!

Sophie Robson





A Joint Service
for Guildford Town Centre on

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 14th February 8.00pm, St Mary's Church, Quarry Street
Preacher: Revd. Dr Paul Glass

LENT, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



14th February	Ash Wednesday	8pm	Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at St Mary's, Quarry Street
10th March	Mothering Sunday	10am	Family Communion with Children's Church
24th March	Palm Sunday	9.55am	Palm Sunday Processio followed by Family Communion with Children's Church at 10am
		6.30pm	Choral Meditation on the Passion
28th March	Maundy Thursday	8-10pm	Communion service with Vigil
29th March	Good Friday	10.30am	All Age Outside service 'Walking with Jesus to the Cross'
		12-3pm	The Watch
31st March	Easter Day	5.45am	Easter Vigil - outdoors followed by breakfast
		10am	All-Age Communion



MISSION VISION GROUP NEWS AND PLANS

We are beginning to organise a walk for Easter Monday, April 1st this year. More details next month but please put the date in your diary. This is instead of the usual May Bank Holiday sponsored walk.

The Christian Aid car wash and cake sale is planned for May 18th and a sponsored reading of the Book of the Acts of the Apostles is planned for August as part of our support for the Koens family and their work with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Lent Lunch

Sunday 18th February
12 noon in the hall



No need
to book



Donations to 'Global Hope in Action' and the Koens Family

Join us for a bread and soup lunch as we consider those who have much less than we do through poverty, being refugees or through life chances.



YVONNE QUITTENTON

It is often said today that we celebrate the life of someone passing, rather than mourn the dead. In mother's case we really must grasp this celebration.

She was a mother to three - Jane, me and Barry; grandmother to nine - Ben, Mark, Michelle, Stuart, Alix, Evie, Miranda, Tristan and Rowan; and great grandmother to nine - Lucy, Amy, Romeo, Madi, Alfie, Elliott, Oscar, Mya and Bella-Marie, all of whom she was immensely proud of.

Sadly she was never to meet Bella-Marie (ninth great granddaughter) who only arrived on the 20th December, increasing the family to a total of 21. I'm not sure why we are worried about a few rubber boats arriving in Dover, when mother and father did a pretty good job of increasing the population by themselves.

Born in Guildford, she initially lived in Beech Grove adjacent to the now Tesco store, which was all open fields at the time, belonging to the Weavers Estate.

In fact she only told me a few weeks ago that the Infant School in Onslow Village is where the milking sheds were situated for Weavers Farm. She would often walk there to see the cows being milked from their Beech Grove estate, when the A3 was just a small minor road, with her long term friend Edwina, and also Sheila Green. Mother's friendship with Sheila was re-kindled when they lost their respective husbands in recent years.

She attended what was then Queen Eleanor's Secondary School, where she became Head Girl, a role she continuously reminded us of.

When she left school, she was employed by Dennis commercial vehicle manufacturers, in the typing pool where she met my father, a typewriter mechanic at the time. He often visited her desk, making sure her ribbons were in order, her shift and tabulator keys functioned correctly, and never afraid to press the back space and carriage return lever to generate more possible repairs. They eventually married in 1952 in the crypt of the then work in progress Guildford Cathedral.

After moving house four times, mother enjoyed returning to Onslow Village from Godalming. She soon became active again with All Saints, and was amongst many old friends including Jean and Tony Read, a few doors away.

She enjoyed the local community clubs and gatherings including the gardening club at the village hall. She also really enjoyed the many baking competitions, and appeared to be pretty successful.

We have always admired mother's determination and drive to stay fit and young, from keep fit classes in her early years to yoga with her friends in the Woking Group, right up until three days before she left us. After my father's passing on Christmas Eve 2007, she was more determined than ever to lead an active life. Christmas was a time of mixed emotions; this led her to spend the first few years transporting the oldies (as she called them), to a couple of community centres for their Christmas lunches, until the authorities intervened, forcing her to apply for a criminal record check, and at this point she decided her duties were complete.

Always determined to remain active, she brought Poppy into her life. Poppy gave her renewed purpose and company in her busy life. On every dry day possible, Poppy would be driven to Broadwater lake in Godalming for her favourite walk. They both massively enjoyed this trip and were equally disappointed when the weather prevented this daily outing, which normally concluded with a trip to the Co-op in Farncombe on the way home.

Mother dearly loved regular trips out with her sister Anita, and visiting her dearest friend Edwina. On a weekly basis she would go with her friend Cath to visit Queenie (our first next door neighbour) who she had known since moving there in 1954. She also maintained connections with her friends and work colleagues from Cornhill Insurance.

Let us REALLY celebrate the long, full and healthy life of this kind, thoughtful and generous lady. She remains my hero and mentor always.

Michael Quittenton



HARD OF HEARING GROUP

The next Hard of Hearing Group is on Monday 19th February at 3pm, after the 2pm Hearing Clinic.

Graham and Rebecca Brown will talk about their extensive travels throughout the world 30 years ago and update you on the current whereabouts of their daughter Joanna as she embarks on her own travel adventure.

Hearing people are also very welcome!

Rosemary Woodcock

AN UNHAPPY CHRISTMAS IN BETHLEHEM

While understandably the focus has been on the war in Gaza following the terrible attack by Hamas on 7th October, there has been a less well-reported effect on the occupied territories of the West Bank. In Bethlehem, where the suppliers I deal with for my fair trade stall are, the effect was disastrous.

Tourism was only just beginning to return after the pandemic. I last visited in early 2022, when getting into Israel meant that you had to take a Covid test on arrival and run the risk of having to isolate in your hotel room for a week. Things had improved by Christmas 2022, but they were really pinning their hopes on Christmas 2023. Both of the suppliers I use had kick-started the small family firms that supply them by providing them with seasoned olive wood to carve ready for the expected tourist influx.

Then the attack of 7th October happened, followed by the war, and although the West Bank is run by a rival Palestinian faction to Hamas (Fatah), the checkpoints were initially all closed. Only one of the three checkpoints into Bethlehem has been reopened, as far as I can find out - the least accessible one. Palestinians who used to have passes to work in Israel were refused entry, and therefore lost the income they used to bring home. Worst of all, flights to Israel stopped and there were no tourists – and tourism is the major economy in Bethlehem.

There were reports that Christmas had been cancelled in Bethlehem. It would be more accurate to say that it was marked but not celebrated. For reasons that no-one can really explain, Christmas is normally celebrated



with a parade of Scouts and bagpipers leading a procession of visiting clergy from Jerusalem (either Orthodox at the start of Advent, or Catholic for Christmas Eve).

The processions went ahead, but without the music and celebration. There was no Christmas tree in Manger Square; instead there was a symbolic nativity scene set in rubble as everyone remembered what was happening in Gaza.

The Christmas Eve service in the Catholic church of the nativity, which normally attracts a ticket-only congregation from around the world, was attended by local

Christians only, faithfully preserving the tradition of worship at the Grotto of the Nativity since at least the 4th century.

The future is still very uncertain. Some tourists are beginning to return to Israel, but mostly Jews rather than Christians, so they are unlikely to visit Bethlehem. Israel is predicting a war of several months, and Hamas is still sporadically firing rockets into the south of Israel. The tensions that already existed in the West Bank because of the Israeli settlements there are growing, and in some places becoming more violent. There is a risk of a second front in the war to the north with Lebanon, and the possibility that the situation in the West Bank could develop into a full-scale conflict.

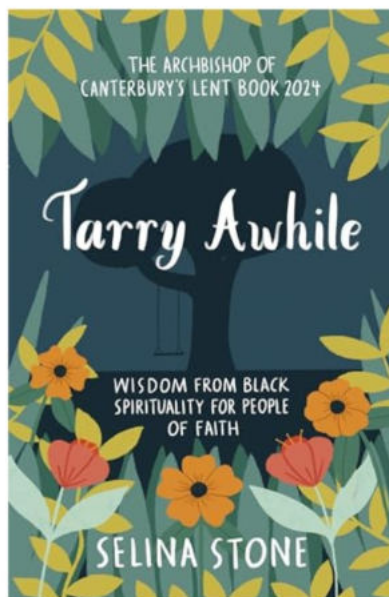
It's hard to have hope, but perhaps the one positive thing to have come out of the tragedy is a renewed urgency in the international community to get to grips with a problem that they have ignored for the past two decades.

Mike Truman

lent course

WEDS 21ST FEB TO WEDS 20TH MARCH
7.30PM VIA ZOOM

We will follow Selina Stone's book "**Tarry Awhile**", a remarkable book, exploring a Black Christian spiritual practice called 'Tarrying' – waiting on God, in the midst of often wearying times.



Let Trish (allsaintschurchgfd@gmail.com)
or Beverly (vicar@allsaintschurchgfd.org.uk)
know if you'd like to take part



BIG BUILD UPDATE

We have received two further survey reports - one from the quantity surveyor and the other from the structural engineer. The former included a revision for the inclusion of electrical work which has increased the overall cost to just over £1 million. The latter pointed out that the library roof has begun to move sufficiently to pull out its fixings to the large lintel beam. It also confirmed that the window wooden mullions played no part in supporting the roof. However it acknowledged the difficulty of introducing secondary or double glazing. We are awaiting the outcome of the recent geotechnical survey.

The cost rise led to discussion about the necessity of the proposed 'bandstand' space. No decision about this will be taken until the outcome of the ongoing community audit is known. The audit is seeking ideas, comments and the needs of our local community. We are contacting a wide spectrum of people ranging from local politicians and schools to church hall and church user groups. We hope to have the audit completed by mid-February.

The fundraising group has already swung into action with their first successful community event - see Sophie's article on page 12. The finance team has begun to look at the possibility of applying for grants from a number of sources including the National Churches Trust.

Robin Holdsworth

CALLING ALL SINGERS!

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voices@topicofcancer.org.uk

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NORTH GUILDFORD FOOD BANK - A LOOK BACK AT 2023

After another busy year at North Guildford Food Bank I am writing to thank you so much for the support you have provided us in the past year. We have so many donors who give either produce or financial support and without you all, we would not have been able to serve the number of people we did in 2023: we provided 1,709 food parcels, feeding 2,669 adults and 2072 children. This was a small increase of 43 parcels from the previous year.

The main reasons for needing help this year were unemployment and debt. Our main referrers were Guildford Borough Council, Home School Link Workers and Citizens Advice.

Since early 2023 we have not provided funding for fuel vouchers, instead partnering with The Fuel Bank Foundation. We refer our clients on prepayment meters, who are in fuel poverty, to the Fuel Bank Foundation and they provide fuel vouchers. The value of these vouchers varies depending on the time of year, but the aim is to provide sufficient fuel funding to last the household a week.

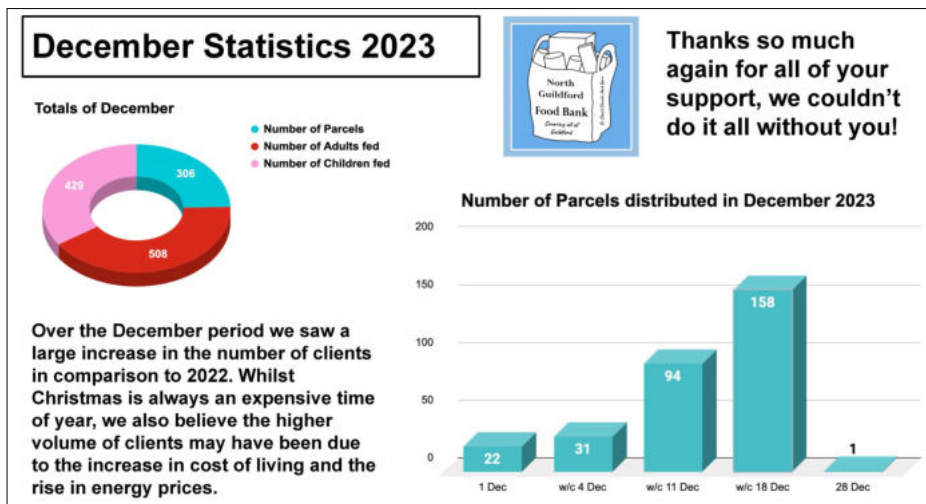
Guildford Council Wellbeing Team is continuing to provide a driver and van on Wednesdays to take parcels to clients who need them to be delivered and we have volunteer drivers to do deliveries on other days for clients who are housebound. Robin (GBC) is also very helpful in bringing boxes from supermarkets for us to pack parcels into.

Christmas 2023

In the two weeks before Christmas, we saw demand like never before, and in December served 306 clients, compared to 200 in December last year. We are blessed to have some reserves in the bank so that we were able to buy more stock, in addition to food donations, which was needed on an almost daily basis. Our monthly spend on food more than doubled in December and our healthy stock levels were reduced to nothing for many foods.

As last year, we increased our regular client sessions from three to four per week for the two weeks before Christmas. Due to the large numbers of clients, our volunteers started packing food parcels much earlier than

normal and when demand was highest, we staggered client arrival times. We also provided Tesco vouchers to our clients in December, in addition to their food parcels, giving them the opportunity to buy extra items for their families over Christmas. We are very thankful for Guildford Lions who continue to buy eggs, potatoes and carrots for us each week. They have been so supportive, even when we had such an increase in demand.



We are in the process of building our stocks and reserves up again, so please look on [our Facebook page](#) and website - northguildfordfood-bank.co.uk/food-donations - for our weekly requests. We are also so thankful to those of you who donate financially to the food bank as food donations alone are not sufficient to meet the needs of the number of clients who are being referred to us.

Wishing you a blessed year,
Jessica Povey
 Manager

Guildford **Repair Café** *Throw it away? No way!*

Our team of talented volunteers carry out small repairs to household items, **completely free!***

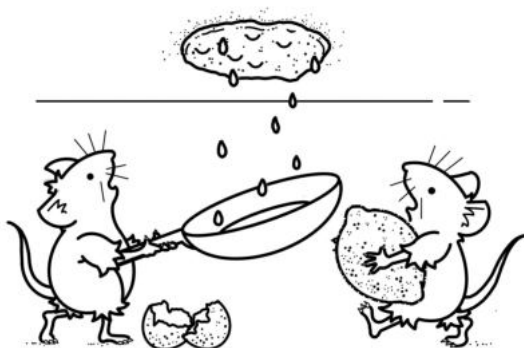


**The Hive, Park Barn Drive, Guildford
GU2 8EN**

2024 Dates

2nd Saturday of every month 10am – 12 noon
come early to ensure time for your repair

13 January	11 May	14 September
10 February	8 June	12 October
9 March	13 July	9 November
13 April	10 August	14 December





Durufié Requiem

Mezzo soprano:
Rebecca Leggett

Baritone:
Thomas Nießer

Organist:
George Castle

Cellist:
Jonathan Hennessey-Brown

Conductor:
Jeremy Backhouse

Friday
1 March 2024
at 7.30 pm

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Guildford High Street.

Vivace
Chorus

Tickets: £23, students and U18 £10, plus booking fee.

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Gregorian chant meets the sumptuous sound world of 20th century France*

Durufle's beautiful Requiem takes ancient Gregorian chant and uses it in a contemporary setting, full of the contemplative music that makes this piece one of the most loved by singers and audiences alike.

This arrangement of the Requiem uses organ and solo cello, creating an intimate atmosphere that's perfect for our venue – Holy Trinity Church in Guildford's historic High Street. More than one commentator has described the work as



'sumptuous' – although there are certainly moments of passion and drama that add to the musical impact.

The programme for this concert is all about

the wonder – and power – of singing. We've included three pieces that we sang to great acclaim in our tour of Latvia and Estonia in 2018: Arvo Pärt's *The Beatitudes*, Rihards Dubra's *O Crux Ave* and Eriks Ešenvalds' *Trinity Te Deum*. And we're delighted to be singing Jonathan Dove's *Seek him that maketh the seven stars*, and Charles-Marie Widor's *Sing!* – an arrangement of the famous Widor *Toccata* by Sir David Willcocks.

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Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Exodus chapter 2 verses 1 to 12

In Egypt the Hebrew people flourished so well that the new Pharaoh grew scared and ordered all their new-born boys to be killed.

Moses' mother hid him when he was born, but he grew too big.



She made a basket from reeds for him and put it in the grass by the river Nile.



She told Moses' sister Miriam to keep watch.



Pharaoh's daughter found Moses



Shall I get someone to look after the baby?



So Miriam got her mother.



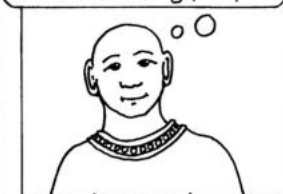
The princess adopted Moses as her son.



When Moses was grown up he went to see where his people worked as slaves.



Perhaps I will be the one to save my people.



Moses saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew slave.

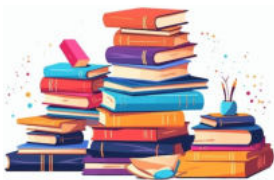


Moses checked no-one was looking and...



He hid the body in the sand.

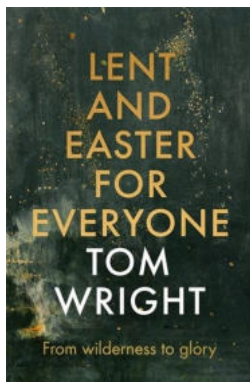




BOOK REVIEWS

Lent and Easter for Everyone - from Wilderness to Glory

By Tom Wright, SPCK, £10.79



Join Tom Wright on a transformative journey through the Gospels, as he explores the life and impact of Jesus. Offering seven weeks' worth of daily readings and reflections, the book enables you to relive Christ's journey - from His temptations in the wilderness to the darkness of the cross and beyond, into the glory of Easter.

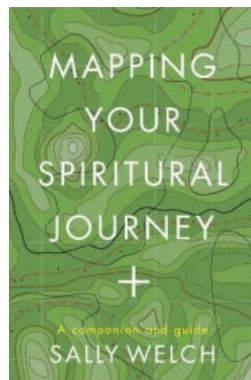
Whether used individually or in groups, Lent and Easter for Everyone can be a trusted companion, encouraging spiritual growth, deepening understanding, and fostering a renewed sense of hope and purpose in your Christian journey.

Mapping Your Spiritual Journey - a companion and guide

By Sally Welch, Canterbury Press, £12.99

Mapping your spiritual journey is a technique used in spiritual direction, as a way of recognising and interpreting God's presence in the highs and lows of your life experiences.

This book offers creative ways to explore your own spiritual journey, helping you to trace your relationship with God from the beginning, whether looking at your entire life or exploring significant moments. It can be done in multiple creative ways – drawing, collages, timelines, maps, collections of objects or photographs, modelling, journaling, making a garden and more. It offers suggestions for ways to reflect on your journey and to deepen your understanding of God's presence in your life. This equips you to look forward and plan your future journey with God with confidence.





RECYCLING UPDATE

Our recycling hub at All Saints' Church currently includes the **'The Colgate and hello Oral Care Free Recycling Programme'**. Sadly, this is ending on 7th February and we'll be unable to collect the items you previously dropped off with us. We understand that this is because Colgate are now manufacturing toothpaste tubes that can be disposed of with other plastics in your home recycling.

However, we have joined the **'Philips Dental Care Free Recycling Programme'** which is similar, but with some key differences. Here's what you can bring along to the new Philips bin in the church foyer:

- ✓ Electric toothbrush heads and covers
- ✓ Electric flosser nozzles
- ✓ Flossing sticks and interdental brushes
- ✓ Dental floss containers
- ✓ Manual toothbrushes

Please do *not* bring:

- ✗ Toothpaste tubes and caps
- ✗ Battery operated toothbrushes
- ✗ Electric toothbrush handles
- ✗ Outer cardboard and plastic packaging for toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes and floss containers
- ✗ Dental floss
- ✗ Batteries

Here's a reminder of other things you can recycle at All Saints:

- ♻ Writing instruments
- ♻ Coffee pouches
- ♻ Air, home and laundry products
- ♻ Candles
- ♻ Inkjet cartridges

Further details on our website:

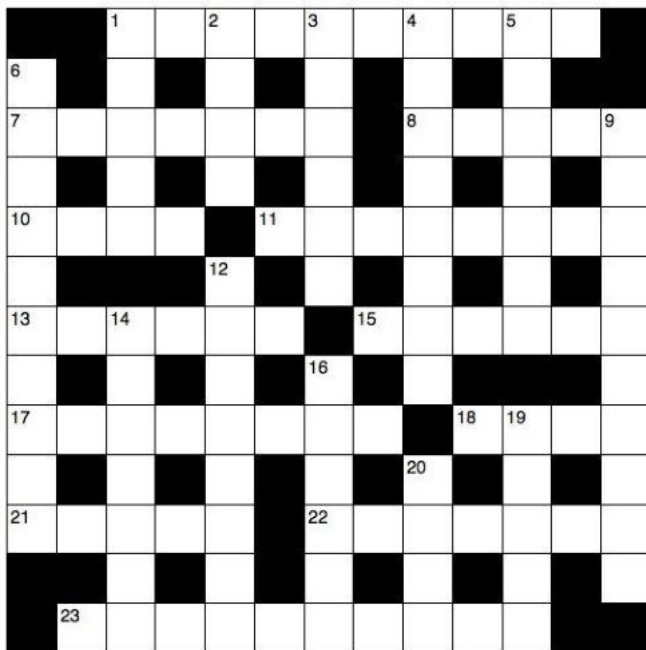
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PUZZLE PAGE

CROSSWORD

Answers on page 34



Across

- 1 Success or wealth (Deuteronomy 28:11) (10)
- 7 Forbidden fruit for Nazirites (Numbers 6:3) (7)
- 8 Concede (Job 27:5) (5)
- 10 Look at (Psalm 48:13) (4)
- 11 Much in evidence after weddings (8)
- 13 Condense (Job 36:27) (6)
- 15 Breakwater (6)
- 17 Give a tan (anag.) (8)
- 18 More usually now called Pentecost, — Sunday (4)
- 21 After living for 365 years, it was said of him that 'he walked with God' (Genesis 5:23-24) (5)
- 22 Trampled (Judges 9:27) (7)
- 23 For example, Miriam, Deborah (Exodus 15:20; Judges 4:4) (10)

Down

- 1 Arrogance (Proverbs 8:13) (5)
- 2 Roman poet from first century BC (4)
- 3 So rapt (anag.) (6)
- 4 Declare again (2 Corinthians 2:8) (8)
- 5 Paul's 'fellow worker', to whom he sent two epistles (Romans 16:21) (7)
- 6 God's foreseeing care and protection (Job 10:12) (10)
- 9 Traditional form of Roman Catholic Mass (10)
- 12 'The Lord... has given the — of Israel to David and his descendants for ever' (2 Chronicles 13:5) (8)
- 14 'My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my — ' (Luke 1:46-47) (7)
- 16 The central element in Nebuchadnezzar's dream, identified and interpreted by Daniel (Daniel 2:31) (6)
- 19 'On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of — will not overcome it' (Matthew 16:18) (5)
- 20 City where Paul was under house arrest for two years (Acts 28:16) (4)

SUDOKU

Solution on page 34

		5			7	3		
	1					2		
7				1	5			6
	5	9			6			
			3			4	2	
6			5	4				7
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Crossword answers (grid on page 31)

ACROSS: 1, Prosperity. 7, Raisins. 8, Admit. 10, View. 11, Confetti. 13, Distil. 15, Groyne. 17, Navigate. 18, Whit. 21, Enoch. 22, Trodden. 23, Prophetess.

DOWN: 1, Pride. 2, Ovid. 3, Pastor. 4, Reaffirm. 5, Timothy. 6, Providence. 9, Tridentine. 12, Kingship. 14, Saviour. 16, Statue. 19, Hades. 20, Rome.

Sudoku solution (grid on page 32)

4	8	5	6	2	7	3	9	1
9	1	6	8	3	4	2	7	5
7	2	3	9	1	5	8	4	6
2	5	9	4	8	6	7	1	3
8	3	4	1	7	2	5	6	9
1	6	7	3	5	9	4	2	8
6	9	2	5	4	8	1	3	7
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Annual	Sunday 17th March 11.15am in Church
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Church	
Meeting	

Please join us for our annual meeting to hear about the past year, plans for the coming year and to elect new members to the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Notice convening the meeting to be taken as read
2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2023
3. Revision of the Electoral Roll
4. Election of people to the PCC
5. Annual reports for the church
6. Financial statement for the year ending 31 December 2023
7. Appointment of auditor
8. Review of safeguarding
9. Appointment of Parish Safeguarding Representative
10. Year's report by the vicar
11. Church Development Plan
12. Questions and points of interest
13. Closing prayers

The agenda looks long but will only last about an hour and it's a great opportunity to feel fully involved in our church family.

To be even more involved, you might like to consider being on the PCC. We need new PCC members and also we'd love to recruit a couple of Assistant Wardens to support our Churchwardens. If you think you could serve All Saints in this way, please have a chat with Beverly.

We will be electing new members to the PCC as we lose those who have served their three-year term.

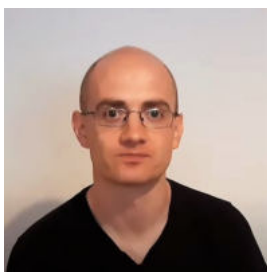
You can find role descriptions on our website (under Get Involved - Role Descriptions) and they'll tell you more about the expectations of the roles.

Everyone at All Saints' Church gives thanks to the following who have given their wisdom, time and energy as part of the PCC.

Trish Tye. PCC Secretary



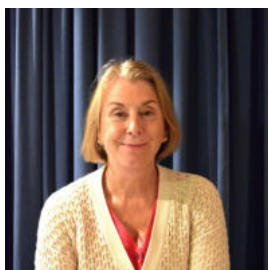
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Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and
the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the
wilderness shall waters break out, and
streams in the desert.

Isaiah 35:6



Daily Bible Inspirations

WORSHIP AND READINGS

	8am	10am	4pm
4th February 2nd before Lent	Holy Communion Proverbs 8:1, 22-31; Colos- sians 1:15-20 and John 1:1- 14	AltogetheWor- ship Proverbs 8:1, 22- 31; Colossians 1:15-20 and John 1:1-14	(No Tea Time Church) 6.30pm Confir- mation Service at St. Nicolas' Guildford
11th February next before Lent Stewardship Sunday		Family Communion 2 Kings 2:1-12, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 and Mark 9:2-9	Tea Time Church Valentine's Day: Mark 9:2- 9
<i>14th February, Ash Wednesday</i>			<i>8pm Eucharist and imposition of ashes (Joint service at St. Mary's)</i>
18th February, first Sunday of Lent (followed by Lent Lunch)	BCP Communion Genesis 9:8-17, 1 Peter 3:18- end and Mark 1:9-15	Morning Worship with Children's Church Genesis 9:8-17, 1 Peter 3:18-end and Mark 1:9-15	Tea Time Church Genesis 9:8-17, 1 Peter 3:18- end and Mark 1:9-15
25th February, 2nd of Lent		Family Communion with Children's Church Genesis 17:1-7,15 -16; Romans 4:13 -end and Mark 8:31-end	Tea Time Church Genesis 17:1- 7,15-16; Ro- mans 4:13-end and Mark 8:31- end

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: FEBRUARY

Thursday 1st, 7.30pm	Young Adults Study Group
Friday 2nd, 9.30am	Toddler Group
Sunday 4th, 6.30pm	Confirmation Service at St Nicolas' Church
Monday 5th, 10am	Pastoral Team Study Session
Wednesday 7th, 10.30am	Men's Coffee Morning
Wednesday 7th, 12.30pm	Women's Bible Study Group
Wednesday 7th, 7.45pm	Sharing & Learning Group
Friday 9th, 9.30am	Toddler Group
Friday 9th, 3pm	Friday Group
Sunday 11th	Stewardship Sunday
Monday 12th, 4pm	Barnabas Group
Tuesday 13th, 5pm	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party
Tuesday 13th, 7.30pm	Altogether Worship Planning
Wednesday 14th, 12.30pm	Wednesday Lunch Group
Wednesday 14th, 8pm	Service of Imposition of Ashes at St Mary's
Thursday 15th, 7.30pm	Young Adults Study Group
Saturday 17th, 8.30am	Prayer Breakfast
Saturday 17th, 9.30am-1pm	Volunteer Work Morning
Sunday 18th, 12 noon	Lent Lunch
Monday 19th, 2pm	Hearing Clinic
Monday 19th, 3pm	Hard of Hearing Group
Tuesday 20th, 7.30pm	Standing Committee
Wednesday 21st, 12.30pm	Women's Bible Study Group
Wednesday 21st, 2pm	Dray Court Service
Wednesday 21st, 7.30pm	Lent course - week 1
Friday 23rd, 9.30am	Toddler Group
Friday 23rd, 3pm	Friday Group
Sunday 25th, 5.30pm	Youth Group
Wednesday 28th, 7.30pm	Lent course - week 2
Thursday 29th, 7.30pm	Young Adults Study Group

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