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St Augustine's Church Newsletter

Weeks commencing:

Sundays 21st and 28th January 2018

Services and Events

Sunday, 21st January

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.00 am Parish Communion with
 Sunday Club

Monday 22nd January

7.45 pm PCC Meeting - Annexe

Tuesday 23rd January

10.00 am Coffee Shop
 7.30pm Sustainability Group - Annexe
 8.00 pm Home Group - Barn End

Wednesday 24th January

9.45 am Open the Book - School
 6.30 pm Community Choir, School

Thursday 25th January

9.30 am Prayers

Friday 26th January

7.30 pm Youth Group - Food Activity

Sunday 28th January

10.00 am Parish Communion
 with Sunday Club
 6 pm Kairos

Tuesday 30th January

9.30 am Coffee Shop

Wednesday 31st January

6.30 pm Community Choir, School
 8.15 pm Home Group, Venue - TBC

Thursday 1st February

9.30 am Prayers

Friday 2nd February

7.30 pm Youth Group - Board Games

Saturday 3rd February

10.00 am - Churchyard Working Party
 12 noon

Sunday 4th February

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.00 am All Age Communion with
 Crèche

Healing Service

We hope to have a healing service at 6pm on Sunday 29th April. If you would like to be involved in praying or planning, please come and talk to me.

The Diocesan Healing Conference "Life in All Its Fullness" is on Saturday 17th February at Victoria Baptist Church in Eastbourne from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. Booking is online through the Diocesan Website. There are a few of us going and if you would like to join us, you would be very welcome.

Lucy

Churchyard Working Party

Many thanks to all who helped with the Churchyard working party in December.

There is still work to finish off the front garden, and we aim to have another working party on Saturday 3rd February (before the birds nest!), 10.00 am to 12.00 noon - all are welcome (please bring gloves...)

Many thanks
 Mark Brunet

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Notices

Preparing for Lent



Pancakes will once again be on offer at Coffee Shop on Shrove Tuesday, 13th Feb. We will then mark Ash Wednesday with a reflective service at 7.30pm on 14th Feb. This will be held in the Annexe as heating work is being carried out. We will then join with churches across the diocese in using the diocesan lent course on Thursday evenings during Lent, beginning on Thursday 22nd February. This will be from 7.30pm - 9pm in the annexe, and will be instead of home groups for this 6 week period. Do pick up one of the flyers about the lent course from the back of the church.

"Lent in the Coffee Shop"

Lent Lunch

A special lunch to mark the start of Lent will be held after the Coffee Shop on Tuesday 20th Feb. Soup and rolls will be served from 12-2pm with donations in aid of Family Support Work.

FSW Spring Supper

Family Support Work's main fund-raising event, the annual Spring Supper, will take place on Friday 23rd March in Wivelsfield Village Hall. Entertainment will be provided by Scaynes Hill Community Choir. Tickets cost £14 and will be available soon from Jenny Walker.



Deanery Synod

The next meeting of Deanery Synod is Tuesday 30th January at St. Richard's Church, Sydney Road, Haywards Heath, 7.45 for 8.00pm. Speakers are Andra Houchen (Dementia Champion & 'Know Dementia' Memory Cafe Coordinator) and Fatima Mirza (Community Liaison Officer, Haywards Heath Town Council). 'Know Dementia' is a local charity, run by volunteers comprising family carers and qualified professionals. The meeting is open so do feel free to attend.

Lynne



First Communion

Several of the younger members of our church are exploring beginning to receive Holy Communion for the first time. A 4 week course is being planned for some of the Sunday afternoons across February, March & April, with the hope that there will then be a celebration service at the 10am service on Sunday 6th May, when those who want to will receive Holy Communion for the first time, and we will welcome them into this new part of church life. If you would like to know more about receiving communion, or being baptised or confirmed, please speak to Lisa.

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Community Lunch

Our next community lunch will be held on Sunday 28th January at midday.

If you would like to come along, please sign the sheet which is on the table in the Church Annexe so we have an idea of numbers.

All are very welcome so please do join us.

Jenny C



Pilgrimage to Chichester

As part of the Diocesan Year of Prayer there will be Pilgrimages from each of the four Archdeacons to Chichester Cathedral. The date for the Archdeaconry of Horsham Pilgrimage is Saturday 14th July and it will be led by Bishop Mark and Archdeacon Fiona. We are planning to take part in this Pilgrimage. Details are being finalised so please make a note of the date and further details will follow.

A Nice Problem to Have

We want to review how we use the Church building, especially in worship. Could we change our practice, or the physical environment, and improve the way that people experience worship? I can see many options - including the "do nothing" one - but we are really keen to involve as many people as possible, both from within the congregation and from the wider village community, in seeing if we can develop a better way of using the building.

We'd like to start the ball rolling with a couple of meetings, open to all, to gather and share ideas, to hear what things work well now, and think what might work even better in the future.

So come and join us in the Annexe on:

Tuesday 20th February at 7pm
Thursday 22nd February at 10.30 am

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you!

Mark Brunet

Prayer for the Week

Lord, bless our journey
through this coming week.

May the pace be steady,
paths made safe,

no obstacles impede,

and conversations with fellow travellers

be fruitful and uplifting.

Lord, bless our journey
through this coming week.

Amen.