



# Parish of Godalming

## St Peter & St Paul, and St Mark's

*Part of the Farncombe and Godalming Ecumenical Group Ministry*

### Weekly Newsletter

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017

### Easter 5

**8am:** Holy Communion (1662) -----St Peter & St Paul

**10am:** Joint Parish Choral Eucharist -----St Peter & St Paul

***The collect for the fifth Sunday of Easter:*** Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

We welcome back Rev Andy Spencer to SSPP. For those of you who may not yet had the pleasure of being at a service here with him at this church, Andy came to Godalming in 1974 to take up a post at the newly established Sixth Form College, leaving in 2007 as Senior Tutor. He was ordained in October 2004 and took up a position with the Diocese in 2007 as a Year Tutor on the Local Ministry Programme, training people for lay and ordained ministry. He has just taken on his fourth set of students, who stay for three years of training. Andy is licensed to the United Benefice of Busbridge and Hambledon. He is married to Margot, (also ordained), and has three married daughters and six grandchildren.

### St Peter and St Paul

A crèche room is available for children under 3 which parents are welcome to use, but it will normally be unsupervised. Sunday Club for children over the age of 3 will be in the Octagon during the 10am service. Parents or carers are welcome to come and join in the fun.

Coffee will be served in the Octagon after the 10am service

*(Hymns from the New English Hymnal)*

**338** At the name of Jesus

**201** Stephen, first of Christian  
martyrs

**374** How sweet the name of Jesus  
sounds

**467** Through all the changing  
scenes of life

**485** Thy hand, O God, has guided

**Reading:**

Acts 7:55-end

John 14:1-14

**Reader:** Paul Chamberlain

**Prayers:** Tony Gordon Smith

**Music during the Choral Eucharist:**

**Gloria:** How (setting A – p24)

**Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnes Dei:** Sumsion in F

**Motet:** Draw us in the Spirit's tether - Friedell

**Voluntary:** Sinfonia from Cantata No 29 – J S Bach



*The Induction Loop may be used by turning your hearing aid to the 'T' setting*



## *Prayer Requests*

**From time to time, we have to review our prayer list. If you have requested prayers for any of the people below, please could you let us have an update on their progress.**

**Please remember the following people in your daily prayers**

Janet & Joseph Adams, Alexandru, James Beaton, Shirley Brown, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Steve Calder, Christopher Chamberlain, Beatrice Clegg, Jean Cornwell, June Davies, Kathleen Dodds, Philip Evans, Maurice Finney, Jill Gautrey, Alex Howell, Penny Jeffries, Roger and Neil Jones, Don Lewer,

Ludi Lochner, Jeffrey Lunn, Sandy Netley, Vivien Phipps, Richard Rogers, Ann St Clair-Stannard, Jason Smallwood, Anne Thurgood,

RIP

Ivor Watkinson – the funeral will be at St Peter and St Pauls on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May, at 11 am.

## Contacts

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## Extra items for the Parish Diary: 15<sup>th</sup> May – 20<sup>th</sup> May 2017

<b>Monday:</b>	Octots	10am
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Said Communion (SSPP)	12 md
	Bell ringing practice	8pm
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Octots	10am
<b>Thursday:</b>	Women's Group at SSPP	9.15am
	Lammas Handbell Ringers SSPP	7.30pm
<b>Friday:</b>		
<b>Saturday:</b>		
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May:</b>		
	Holy Communion (1662) (SSPP)	8am
	Choral Eucharist at SSPP	10am
	Service of the Word at St Marks	10am
	Choral Evensong at SSPP	6.30pm

### Interregnum Prayer:

GOD OUR FATHER You have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His Body in this place; Send us your Holy Spirit, at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision, energy, and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community; And guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a new Incumbent for this parish, that the one whom we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people: ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

## May reflection from Eddie Powlesland

### From a Retired Churchwarden

It seems to have been a long rite of passage from my early days as a chorister at St Peter's Church in Budleigh Salterton to that of Churchwarden here in Godalming. As a child and a young man in Budleigh Salterton, I thought I had attended enough church services to last a lifetime – 3 choral services each Sunday, as well as Sunday School! However, eventually Godalming beckoned and I returned to the fold – albeit with less services to attend. My links with Budleigh Salterton still exist, as my eldest sister is a regular worshipper at St Peter's.

As time passed I recognised more the value of life and the value of relatives, friends, and those who share my Christian faith. During my working life as an airline customer services manager, I had the experience of dealing with many people of different faiths, e.g. Hindu, Sikh, Muslim, Jewish, etc. So it was important to understand and respect the faith, culture and values of all. In my early airline days (and before the technological world we live in now) it was not unusual for a passenger to ask which way was east. And before long, in a quiet area of the terminal, a prayer mat would appear and my colleagues and I would see the passenger praying towards Mecca. Also, while working at Heathrow, it was not unusual to be invited to Sikh weddings and occasionally, at the invitation of friends, my wife (Pauline) and I attended the Gurdwara Temple in Southall.

I believe that strong values and that the respect of our Christian faith, as well as respecting the faith of others in our troubled world, is very important. In addition, during my tenure as Churchwarden, I have valued the support and friendship of fellow members of the Parish of Godalming.

And finally a thought for all Churchwardens:

When **God** solves our problems, we have faith in **His** abilities. When **God** doesn't solve our problems, **He** has faith in our abilities.

Eddie Powlesland.

**Advance notices:** The next evensong will be on the 21<sup>st</sup> May. If anyone is interested in being part of a welcome team for this, please contact Helen Roche.

There will be an Ascension Day service at 8pm on the 25<sup>th</sup> May at All Saints Witley. All are welcome to join this service – there will not be one in this Parish.

**PCC meeting:** The meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> May has been cancelled and will now take place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May. This will be at St Marks.

**Message from Helen Roche:**

Dear All,

Our lovely church toddler group 'Octots' is looking for a volunteer or two who could help to set up heavy furniture for the play group.

It takes about half an hour and can be done early on Monday and Wednesday mornings or perhaps late on Sunday and Tuesday evening. Octots has a

super team of volunteers and all helpers get a lovely Christmas lunch!!

Many thanks to the folk who have already filled the gap this term.

Please talk to Helen or Sarah if you think you could help.

Thank you

**Christian Aid:** Christian Aid week is from the 14<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> May.

Collections will take place on the 7th March at St.Marks and on the 14th at St.Peter & St.Paul

**Church Bells:** As you may be aware, SS Peter & Paul Church is getting new bells. Bells number 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 were cast on Thursday, 20 April, at Taylor Bell Foundry in Loughborough. A couple of the ringers were there to witness this event ("spectacular" was their description). Most of the ringers are visiting on 4 May, when bells 7 and 8 - the heaviest - will be cast.

You will notice that our bells keep ringing, which is because we are using new metal, and the old bells will be with us until the last week in May. Our last Sunday ring will be on 21 May. The silence will, we hope, come to an end on 14 July, so we hope to ring the congregation into church on Sunday 16 July in style. **Jonathan Deane**

**Change to Hearing Aid Clinics:** There is now one session in each month and that is on the fourth Thursday at 10.30 to 11.30. Any problems you can contact me on 01483 428240. Derek Randell.

Our next clinic will be on the 25<sup>th</sup> May.

**Food Bank:** The food bank would welcome donations of tinned peas, carrots and sweetcorn, tinned meatballs and spam, hotdogs in tins or jars, bleach, j cloths, deodorant – roll on or spray, laundry liquid, tabs or powder, nappies size 5 and 6. Thank you

**Mindfulness Course** run by Reverend Caroline Burnett, Rector of Compton, with Nonie Insall. Venue: Peperharrow Church. Dates: 2nd May, 16th May, 23rd May, 30th May, 6th June & 13th June. Time: 3pm - 4pm. No need to register, but if you'd like more details, please contact Caroline at [caroline\\_burnett@btinternet.com](mailto:caroline_burnett@btinternet.com) or 01483 810148

GIVING TO THE WORK OF THE CHURCH. By using (and completing) our Gift Aid envelopes, the value of your contribution is increased by 25p for each £1 given (for taxpayers). The parish is dependant solely on the offerings of the congregation for its day to day running. **Thank You.**

You can also support this church through Easy fundraising. For more details either go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stspeterpaulpc> or speak to John Graham



**NEED TO HIRE SPACE**

**ST.MARK'S CHURCH /COMMUNITY CENTRE HAS 2 HALLS FOR HIRE -**

**AVAILABLE EITHER FOR A SINGLE EVENT**

**OR**

**TO RUN A CLASS OR COURSE FOR A FEW WEEKS**

**OUR CHURCH HALL IS SPACIOUS AND OFTEN HIRED FOR ACTIVITIES SUCH AS KEEP FIT AND PILATES.**

**THE STUDIO ROOM IS A LITTLE SMALLER, LIGHT AND WELCOMING.**

**WITH A HATCH LEADING FROM THE KITCHEN IT IS POPULAR FOR CHILDRENS PARTIES AND WORKSHOPS.**

**WE HAVE A GARDEN WITH PLAY EQUIPMENT AND A SAND PIT AS WELL AS AN ARRAY OF INDOOR TOYS AND CRAFT ITEMS.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE RING KAREN ON 01483 418741**

**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAYS FROM 9.15-2.15pm**



# Urgent call for volunteers to beat loneliness in Surrey

- *Alzheimer's Society in Surrey urgently needs volunteers to enjoy hobbies with people with dementia*
  - *Many people with dementia waiting for volunteers in Surrey*

Alzheimer's Society's Side by Side service in Surrey urgently needs more volunteers to help tackle loneliness and isolation often felt by people with dementia.

The UK's leading dementia charity is launching its innovative Side by Side service in a bid to reconnect people with dementia with their communities and favourite pastimes. Launched in response to the loneliness and isolation so many people with dementia report experiencing, the service uses a new approach to volunteering. It has been so popular that the charity is urgently calling on volunteers to come forward to support the people with dementia currently waiting to be paired up.

From joining a local club or just going for a stroll in the park, this innovative service, pairs people with dementia and volunteers with shared interests. Piloted since 2014, Side by Side, which is supported by People's Postcode Lottery, **now has a waiting list of almost two thousand people with dementia across England, Wales and Northern Ireland.**

The top activities people with dementia want to do with a volunteer include:

1. Walking-related activities
2. Visiting places of interest such as museums and art galleries
3. Trips to garden centres
4. Spending time chatting with someone over a cup of tea.

Alzheimer's Society research shows people with dementia are more at risk of loneliness than the general population – with a third of people reporting to have lost friends since their diagnosis. Two thirds of people with dementia live in the community, but many feel trapped in their own homes - with almost one in 10 only leaving the house once a month.\*

**Deirdre Timney, Alzheimer's Society Side by Side co-ordinator for Surrey, said:**  
“Loneliness is a real problem for people with dementia, yet we know that one of the most important things for those affected is to remain part of their community and

continue to do the things they love – from going shopping to enjoying a local football match.

“Our Side by Side service, offering one to one support, is a vital step to making this a reality. By 2021, one million people will be living with the condition, so it’s vital that we all unite to against dementia do what we can to make a meaningful difference, such as becoming a volunteer.”

Current Side by Side volunteers have reported that they have gained and shared skills, developed new friendships and even enhanced their CV. Side by Side is designed to be flexible so that anyone can sign up –

Anyone interested in becoming a Side by Side volunteer or would like to access the service should visit [www.alzheimers.org.uk/sidebysidevolunteer](http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/sidebysidevolunteer) or call **0330 333 0804**

