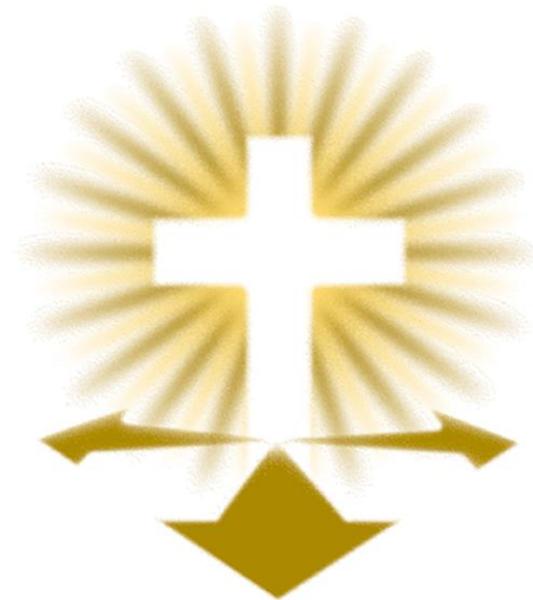


Trinity Update

February 2017



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH ALDERSHOT
'Church for Everyone'

THE DIOCESE PRAYS FOR HOLY TRINITY

The Diocese of Guildford prayer calendar provides a focus for daily prayer in the diocese; each month we pray for parishes in two of the deaneries. This February the diocese will be praying for parishes in the deaneries of Aldershot and Cranleigh.

Prayer requests for Holy Trinity, Aldershot are:

- for Jackie Maw, pioneering the church plant into the Aldershot Urban Extension (Wellesley)
- for growth in ministry to children and families and for the work of Simon, our Children's Minister and for greater integration with the large Nepalese community
- for success for our Puzzling Questions and CAP Money courses.

To see the full prayer calendar for February, go to:

<http://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/life/calendar-of-prayer>



Verse for the Year 2017:

I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Romans 12 v 1,2

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this issue, including to Rob Kirkup for most of the drawings, to Natalie Mitchell for proof-reading and to Wendy Sear, Heather Baig and Tat for printing and collating.

Please note that the March 2017 issue of Update will be in Church on Sunday 26th February.

The LAST date for March articles will be Sunday 19th February.

WOMEN'S HOUR

We returned from our Christmas break on January 5th with a Communion Service, led by John Kellagher. He also spoke of Jesus' early life, when his parents presented him at the temple and their subsequent return to Jerusalem. We then had our customary tea and cake/biscuits....and there were still some left-over mince pies!!!

On the 12th January we had a really splendid afternoon when Joan King, together with five other ladies from the Aldershot Inner Circle, put on an afternoon tea. We had plates of sandwiches, cakes and scones, all served to us at tables with snowy white table cloths. Just like afternoon tea at the Ritz! It was all really scrumptious and we thank them very much for all the hard work they put into doing it.

On the 19th we had another interesting afternoon when we had Tat (Andrew Tatarek) telling us of all the items we use every day, but probably don't look at twice. He started by recounting the Creation; how God made the world and everything in it, but then man has gone on to create items in use today from plastics or metal etc. Including the kitchen sink! As well as being informative, we had a good laugh when we had to guess by which method certain items had been made. Great fun.

Daphne and Jean V

ARE YOU ON THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL ?

The Electoral Roll is the church's official membership list, entitling the people on it to vote at the Annual Parish Meeting (usually in April) and to stand for election to the Parochial Church Council.

If you think of Holy Trinity as 'your' church, but are not already on the Roll, can I encourage you to sign up? Under Church of England rules you should:

- be aged at least 16
- be baptised (not necessarily in the Church of England)
- **either** live within the Holy Trinity parish **or** have worshipped here for at least 6 months.

Forms are available on the table at the back of church. For more information, please have a word with me.

Christine Ward

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Praying for the Philippines

This year the Women's World Day of Prayer focuses on the Philippines, an archipelago of over 7000 islands, of which about a thousand are inhabited. The three main islands are Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao.

The Philippines have a population of more than one million, about 31% of whom are minors. The population is very mixed; the biggest ethnic groups are from Malaysia and Indonesia, followed by the indigenous Agtas and immigrants from Japan, China and India. The national language is Filipino (based on Tagalog), but English is widely spoken and there are over 120 other languages in use.

The climate is hot and humid, with plenty of rain. The islands are close to the equator and to the Pacific Ring of Fire, contributing to a high incidence of typhoons and earthquakes. In November 2013 the islands were hit by Typhoon Haiyan (or Yolanda), a category 5 super-typhoon which was the most severe storm ever recorded to hit land and which claimed thousands of lives.

The 2017 Women's World Day of Prayer is being held at:

The Royal Garrison Church of All Saints,
Farnborough Road, Aldershot GU11 1QA

At 10.30am on Friday 3rd March

Refreshments served afterwards

Parking available around the church

Via Wellesley Road, 1st right Bourley Road, then 1st right Claycart Road

Access walking using pedestrian crossing from Tesco Car Park

ALDERSHOT CHURCHES PRAYING TOGETHER

The Aldershot Churches Together (ACT) prayer meetings are held monthly on a Monday (normally the fourth Monday of the month) at the Church of the Ascension, Ayling Hill, at 7.45pm. This month's ACT prayer is on:

Monday 27th February 2017

THE LARDER AND THE FOOD BANK

As reported in the January issue of Update, The Larder, which has been running at HT for many years, will shortly be replaced by a larger foodbank, run by St Christopher's in Farnborough under the umbrella of the Trussell Trust. Plans are being developed for a warehouse to be based at the New Testament Church in Victoria Road.

There will be an ongoing need for donations to the Food Bank, so please keep bringing gifts of food etc and place in the pink box at the back of church.

Thank you to Jane and all the volunteers who have sorted donations and taken out food parcels over many years. (See also foodbank training info on page 13.)

MENTAL HEALTH DROP IN

The Mental Health Drop In session, originally planned for January 28th, was postponed because of clashes with other users of Crossover. The next meeting will now be on Saturday 4th February from 10.00am to noon.

Pat and Daphne look forward to meeting with anyone who suffers from any mental health issue or who cares for sufferers.

Pat and Daphne

DEPRESSIVE ILLNESS AND THE CHRISTIAN

A six week Bible-based course for **Christians** who struggle with depression, Starting 7th February, 7.30-10pm, Farnham Baptist Church

Tuesday 7th February: free 'taster' evening introducing the topics, to be followed by a further five sessions meeting every other Tuesday evening from February 21st. For list of topics see notice board in church.

Cost of course: £15 including refreshments and materials (£10 for students, over 65s and unemployed).

Venue Address: The Hart, Farnham, Surrey, GU9 7HA (01252 726830).
Further information: www.facebook.com/christianswithdepression
and www.depressiveillnessandthechristian.com

After the course there is a monthly support group at Farnham Baptist church, which includes cake, chatting, praying for one another and a reflection. I have found the group very supportive and would highly recommend it.

ASSOCIATED NEWS

A slightly different article from me this month. Rather than focusing on one subject and thinking round it, a couple of items.

Firstly, at the PPP in January we spent some time seeking to discern the issues we believe we should be praying for as a church in 2017. The items that came up are listed below. Some of these are a continuation of prayers from previous years, whereas others are a new direction. One important comment that was made during this time of discernment, is that we need to be wary of prayers that are too 'me' focused. While it's not wrong to pray 'bless me', as a church we need to continue to be outward looking, remembering that Jesus' commission to his disciples was to make disciples – ie focusing on others, not on themselves.

1. Reaping the harvest from faithful sowing
2. Going out to tell others the good news
3. Need for the living water of the Spirit
4. Being excited about faith – about God in us
5. Being servant hearted to bless others – outward looking
6. Release in / of supernatural power
7. To learn to worship in different ways
8. No suicides in Aldershot
9. No marriage break-up in Holy Trinity
10. No cancer at Holy Trinity
11. Healing for mental health illness
12. Reliance on God even in the good times

It is worth remembering that we have been praying 'No suicides in Aldershot' for a number of years now, and God has answered this prayer in terms of a noted reduction in the number of suicides in the town. So let's keep praying.

Secondly, in February we shall be starting a series entitled Fruitfulness on the Frontline. This is all about being fruitful on our frontline, wherever that frontline may be. As we present our bodies as living sacrifices, and we are transformed by the renewing of our minds, we will find that we are fruitful. God's blessing in creation was to be fruitful – and it still is.

You may remember that as a church we followed a course entitled 'Life on the Frontline' in the autumn of 2015. This is a follow on course. There will be a sermon series and the intention is that the material is then discussed by POD and fellowship groups. We are aware that not everyone is in a small group, so during this series we will run additional groups in Crossover, so that as many as possible can have the opportunity to discuss with others, and to be helped to be fruitful. By the time you read this, there will be sign up sheets at the back of church, and this will have been announced from the front. I would encourage you to be part of this journey.

John Kellagher

FIRST FRIDAY

The **First Friday Club** for men meets on the first Friday of each month and provides an opportunity for men to get together, to get to know one another and to share their experience as sons of the King. For more information speak to John Kellagher.

This month the First Friday event is on 3rd February.

WHO WAS SAINT VALENTINE?.

St Valentine is celebrated as a saint and martyr in many countries of Europe, but there is, in fact, very little reliable information about him.

One story is that he was a Roman priest, who dared to help persecuted Christians and as a result was himself persecuted because of his faith. He is believed to have been martyred around AD 270 and was buried in a cemetery close to the Via Flaminia to the north of Rome.

During the Middle Ages, St Valentine was associated with the traditions of courtly love and his story was associated particularly with the date of 14th February.



CMJ AND THE BALFOUR DECLARATION

This year is the centenary of the Balfour Declaration – the statement by the British Government in November 1917 that it viewed with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people. It said Britain would use its best endeavours to achieve this. A month later the Turks surrendered Jerusalem to General Allenby and in 1922 the League of Nations (forerunner of the UN) voted to mandate Britain to bring this about.

The League of Nations ratified the Palestine Mandate in 1923. The area of the Mandate included all of today's Jordan, Gaza, Israel and the West Bank, but parts subsequently became, or were given to, Arab states. Finally, in 1947, even half the remaining land west of the Jordan River was partitioned by the UN to be 2 separate states – one Jewish and one Arab. However, of course, this did not happen because in 1948 all the neighbouring states – most notably Jordan – invaded and took over the West Bank and other areas the moment the State of Israel was declared.

So back in 1917, why was Britain interested in the establishment of a Jewish homeland in Palestine? – at a time when it was still part of the Turkish Empire. In many ways this resulted from the beliefs of Christian evangelicals.

Under the Turks "Palestine" was part of Syria and a rather dull backwater. The first modern hospital in Jerusalem was founded by CMJ (the Churches Ministry Among Jewish People) in 1843. CMJ also established Christ Church, the first Protestant church in the Middle East, consecrated by the first Anglican (CMJ) Bishop of Jerusalem in 1849. It also set up schools, which still operate today.

Why was CMJ so interested in this region? – well, because of the 3000 years of continuous Jewish history here, including Jesus' ministry, and God's promises to reassemble the Jews back there. From the time of the Evangelical Revival in the 18th Century, Christians had begun to recognise from the Bible that God had promised to once again bring the Jews back to the Holy Land before Jesus' own return. In 1809 Christian leaders like William Wilberforce, the man who got the slave trade abolished, founded CMJ to support, care for and teach the Jewish people about their place in God's plan and about redemption through Jesus, their Messiah. This has continued to this day. During the Second World War some of CMJ's workers in Eastern Europe even chose to go to the concentration camps and gas chambers with their Jewish friends, rather than abandon them to the Nazis.



When Holy Trinity was founded in the 1870s, it was a part of this expectation that the Jews would return to the Holy Land, and this is reflected in our architecture. There are at least 5 places in the church with one or more Stars of David, the symbol of the Jewish people and Israel. You might like to see if you can find them.

Today Israel has a population of over 7 million, with 1 million living in Jerusalem, but a guidebook from the Turkish period puts the Jerusalem population in 1912 at just under 100,000, made up of 65,000 Jews, 20,000 Christians, and 12,000 Muslims. So although CMJ helped all communities, two thirds of the local population were Jewish, even before the Mandate. Despite the various subsequent wars, CMJ is still there in the Old City of Jerusalem, working with all communities, but with a particular heart for the Jews there. The Arabic congregation meets in Christ Church on Friday, the Hebrew-speaking one on Saturday, and the English congregation on Sunday.

Many Christians have played key roles in the history and re-establishment of the land of Israel. Many of the Cabinet which wrote the Balfour Declaration, were Christians and acted according to their Christian beliefs – would that there were more today! It is partly a tribute to these people that a consortium of Christian organisations has been formed to commemorate the Centenary, and CMJ is an active part of this (see <http://www.balfour100.org/>).

12th February is our CMJ Mission Sunday when there will be information about CMJ, but as we move towards November there will also be national events which you may wish to attend in connection with the Balfour Declaration. Do ask me if you want more information – or if you can't find all HT's Stars of David!

Jos Johnston

The Balfour Declaration is as follows:

Foreign Office, November 2nd, 1917

Dear Lord Rothschild,

I have much pleasure in conveying to you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government, the following declaration of sympathy with Jewish Zionist aspirations which has been submitted to, and approved by, the Cabinet.

His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country.

I should be grateful if you would bring this declaration to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation.

Yours,
Arthur James Balfour

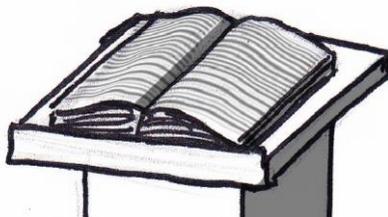
GEORGE WRITES

Dear Friends,

As I have been spending time in our verses for the year (Romans 12:1–2) I am struck by so many different aspects of it. Let me pick one for this letter: the phrase 'living sacrifices'. This is what is called an oxymoron. That means it appears to be a contradiction in terms. (Interestingly, the word 'oxymoron' comes from two Greek words, the first meaning sharp and the second meaning dull, so the word itself is a contradiction in terms and an oxymoron!)

In those days, a sacrifice was something living, such as a lamb, goat or dove, that one took to the temple literally to be sacrificed and killed. It sounds gruesome, but it does highlight that the sacrifices were important, because the whole issue of sin is much more important than we are usually aware of. The animal will be sacrificed and offered to the Lord and it will become a symbol of forgiveness and acceptance. So the phrase 'living sacrifice' does appear to be a contradiction in terms. But it does mean that we are to be offering ourselves fully up to God. It is an offering of one's 'life'. A sacrifice in the temple wasn't partly given and could not be partly sacrificed or partly killed. It was fully given over to God. And that is part of the very clear emphasis of our verses; every part of us is to be given over to God.

I don't know if you've ever spent time reading through the books of the Law in the Old Testament? A lot of people struggle with that and, unfortunately, often give up and go to the bits they find easier. If we don't do the hard work with the Bible, we often find ourselves missing out. But in the Law we find all sorts of different laws and commandments (over 600!) What often seems confusing at first glance is that there seem to be really important moral laws about not murdering people and not lying and not committing adultery, alongside laws about sacrifices of animals and keeping religious observance, all alongside laws that take us by surprise, such as what a woman must and must not do during menstruation and what to do when you find mildew in your house! My natural reaction to seeing this jumble is to try and unjumble it into three different categories; the sacrificial (fulfilled in Christ), the moral that applies to all people at all times and those laws on cleanliness that would be particularly applicable when the Law was given under Moses, when they were in the desert and in a fairly primitive context. There is some important truth in recognising those three categories; however, when I do that, I think I miss part of the main point of all these laws, often seemingly jumbled up. Because I think the main point here is that God is saying that He is Lord of all, that is of every aspect of our lives, including the mundane issues in the house when we face mildew, the



monthly cycles of women, and indeed every aspect of our lives on our own, at work, in the family, in the community etc. And that certainly is the emphasis of the passage in Romans 12.

That's what then leads to the distinctive life of not conforming to the world but being transformed (verse 2). It's not easy being different, but when we give every aspect of our life to God, including the Monday to Saturday, and make sure that we are living for Him, then our lives do become distinctive. He is part of what we do in our coffee break, on our commute, when people are gossiping, when we are out with friends, when we are at the school gates, when we are at the bus stop, or wherever.

So I thought, still near the beginning of this year, that I believe God is calling us more to bring our whole lives before him. It is easy to try and pigeonhole our spiritual life from our work life and our family life and our leisure time etc. But if we do that, we thoroughly miss the point and then will never really know God's good, pleasing and perfect will for us. The series we are doing – Fruitfulness on the Frontline – which will be the subject of our Sunday talks for 8 weeks and followed up in small groups, will really help us in this area. If you are not in a small group, please make the effort to join one, even if just for the time of the series, as it will make so much more of an impact if you do.

Lent starts right at the beginning of next month; so you might like to think about a discipline that might help you personally to make sure that you are bringing God into every aspect of your life. Think of a time when you are inclined to be less aware of God and maybe lapse into worldly thinking/speaking etc. Then think of a simple thing you could do differently just in that context. Maybe get a few people to pray for you. Maybe set some reminders on your phone, but, whatever, try to apply this to make a good habit to continue beyond Easter and then to other areas of your life.

So, may the Lord be with you in this transforming and renewing process, that you may be more a spiritual caterpillar (that goes through a process of transformation from something rather ugly and greedy to become a butterfly – rather more beautiful and now with an extra dimension in flight) and less a spiritual chameleon (changing in every way the world around us changes).

So may God strengthen, guide and equip you for the year ahead, as you fix your eyes on Him and become more like Jesus.

George



CHIEF'S CONCERNS

I think for the first time in my life, I watched the US presidential Inauguration. The taking of oath, hand on Bibles, the prayers of various Christian and Jewish ministers and the grace over the following meal was something to celebrate. Of course the back stories, that the popular media don't report, on some of these characters are fascinating!

I was intrigued to hear Franklin Graham read from 1 Timothy 2:1-6; it went global, praise God. Less than an hour earlier I had been listening to a podcast where these verses were being expanded on; here's what I discovered.

"I urge", Christians, disciples, followers, believers, "that first of all, requests, prayers, intercession be made for everyone – kings and all those in authority", which includes government, local, national and global

Here it is, Christians, our God given assignment. First of all to pray, not to pray at, or to pray down or to pray out or to speak a curse, no, but to pray for everyone, including government leaders and make sure you add thanksgiving for them before God while you are at it!
Um, that's interesting.

Pray what in particular? Well it is certainly positive; you see God loves the world, so our praying needs to be in line with His character. He is good, He is kind and in fact it is His kindness that leads to repentance. (Still unsure? Search the Bible for His direction.)

Why pray?

Well if we do our part, praying, then it is likely that we will have peaceful and quiet times.
If the Christian Church does not embrace its assignment, then we can't be sure how things will go.
If we pray, it is "good and pleases God our saviour". Who doesn't want to please Him?

Our praying is powerful, never under estimate the prayer of a righteous man or woman, it will open the way for the dynamic message of the Kingdom, "the knowledge of the truth", to be heard and experienced in the nations. The truth, "for there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus" - God our Father wants "all men to be saved" and "He wants His house full".

Peter in his letter teaches us, Christians you have a special Calling from God - priests of the Lord. Actually a Royal Priesthood! (Nothing to do with wearing special robes and dog collars)

In priestly ministry we represent people before God and God before people. Representing people before God is a prayer-type ministry – making requests, prayers, Intercession for everyone with thanksgiving.
This is our God-given responsibility, and God longs for us to co-labour with Him.

Blessings
Jonathan

P.S. New Year, new opportunity to action our faith, let the renewing of our minds commence!

Bookend each month with prayer, HT PPP at the start and then ACT every 4th Monday of the Month, Church of Ascension, 7.45pm.

EXPLORING FORGIVENESS WITH ACORN

George recommends "Marked", a training day being launched soon by The Acorn Christian Healing Foundation. Lisa Edge, Donor Relations & Communications Officer writes:

It's just a few weeks until we launch into 'Marked', a training day exploring Forgiveness.

'Marked' will help you grip the truth of God's forgiveness, allowing you to experience it for yourself and equipping you to share it with others. You will be looking at what the Bible says on forgiveness through discussion and teaching, so that you can go confidently into your ministry settings, social groups, and areas of life, living out the message of His forgiveness.

The day is led by Acorn's Director, Wes Sutton, so it will undoubtedly be full of discussion, laughter, and solid teaching.

To book email jwalker@acornchristian.org or you can do it online at:
<<http://civi.acornchristian.org/sites/all/modules/civicrm/extern/url.php?u=936&qid=89357>>.

When: 18th February 2017: 10am-4pm at Whitehill Chase.

Cost: £40pp including lunch and refreshments. This training day is for 18-35 year olds, do you know anyone who might benefit from coming?

TRAINING FOR THE FOOD BANK

We now have the training from Phil Coysh of the Trussell Trust is confirmed as Monday 13th February, from 11.30-2.30, at the New Testament Church of God on Victoria Road. Once the training is done we will hopefully be in a position to set an opening day.

If you want to be involved, there are application forms that can be filled in now - ask Tat (andrew.tatarek@gmail.com / 07747 603 834), and arrange to talk with Sue Shea, who runs the Food Bank depot.

NEW WINE

New Wine is a summer conference based at the Bath and West showground and this year, some of us from Holy Trinity are thinking of attending Week 2, 30th July to the 5th August. It caters for all ages and has specific children's and youth streams, who meet in their own venues.

If you are interested and would like to book, then please speak to Cara as soon as possible. When you book, you need to specify Holy Trinity Aldershot as your church, which will mean that we all camp together in one area. The week is packed with activities, events and seminar streams, which allows you to take part in as much or as little as you like, whilst joining in with others from Holy Trinity who are there.

There are options for off-site accommodation such as B&B and self-catering, but the majority of people camp. New Wine offers a chance to get away into the Somerset countryside and an opportunity to encounter with God, but also to make new friendships or to enrich already existing friendships.

THE BIG CHURCH DAY OUT

Another event that you may be interested in attending is the Big Church Day out, which is held at Wiston House, West Sussex on the 27th-28th May.

It is a weekend of Christian music and fun. I know that some people have gone from Holy Trinity before and so if you are considering going this year I thought it would be great to all go as a group and camp together. It is also very family friendly.

Some of the line-up that will be performing this year are Tim Hughes, Worship Central, Rend Collective and Bethal Music, to name just a few.

If you have never been and are thinking of going, then please talk to me.

Cara Kear

For more information go to <https://bigchurchdayout.com/south>



NEWS FROM THE SOURCE

An update from Ellie Jones, Director of The Source Young People's Charity

ellie.jones@thesourceforyou.co.uk Tel 01252 333330.

The Source Young People's Charity is an inclusive local Christian charity, based in Aldershot, that transforms the lives of young people aged up to 25 years living in North East Hampshire and the Surrey Borders. We are passionate about supporting and empowering young people, particularly those who are isolated, vulnerable, struggling at school, in trouble with the law, have challenging family relationships, are in care, live on their own, are young parents or are homeless – enabling them to “be, belong and become” and have the skills to successfully move into adulthood and fulfil their potential.

We provide bespoke 1-1 and group support, including youth work, anger management, counselling, mentoring and training. We also provide 1-1 and group support for their families and training for groups and professionals. We accept referrals from individuals, families and organisations.

We have recently started BikeStart to raise funds for The Source. BikeStart:

- sells refurbished donated bikes through eBay
- provides bike services and safety checks through our workshop in Aldershot
- provides training for groups to learn bike maintenance skills

Please consider donating bikes you no longer use, booking your bike service with us and utilising our bike maintenance for your next charity day or team bonding day at your work. Visit www.bikestart.co.uk

2016 was a very challenging year for The Source and we need your prayers, particularly for our financial situation, accommodation issues, the increasing needs of the young people we support and for our staff and volunteer team; please consider signing up for our newsletter and prayer newsletter through our website and praying for our work www.thesourceforyou.co.uk

We are currently offering an anger management workshop for professionals and volunteers supporting families with young people on 27th March 2017. For more information please contact jo@thesourceforyou.co.uk. There is a £10 booking fee.

Please also consider supporting The Source by making a donation or attending our fundraising event on 31st March – An evening of entertainment by The Surrey Society of Magicians. Tickets £20 each. For more information please email our Community Fundraiser sue.collen@thesourceforyou.co.uk tel 07794 188700.

BISHOP ANDREW'S LENT CHALLENGE *

The Bishop of Guildford's "Lent Challenge 2017" aims to help deepen spiritual commitment during one of the most important periods of the Christian year – the 40 days preceding Easter – with a combination of prayer, reflection, action and fundraising for those in need.

Leaflets and posters are being sent out to all parishes in the diocese and a new six-week online Lent course is available on the diocesan website: www.cofeguildford.org.uk/lent

Bishop Andrew says: "My Lent Challenge to parishes this year draws on our diocesan vision, */Transforming Church, Transforming Lives/*, and especially on the theological themes that underpin it: Prayer; The Mission of God; Kingdom and Church; Transformation; Growth and The People of God."

Donations to this year's Lent Challenge will be shared between:

* *The Bishop of Guildford's Foundation*, which helps the most disadvantaged churches in Surrey and North East Hampshire.

* *The Church of Nigeria* , the Diocese of Guildford's long-standing link partner in the Anglican Communion

There is more information on :
www.cofeguildford.org.uk/lent <http://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/bishops-and-senior-staff/the-bishop-of-guildford-s-lent-challenge-2017/online-lent-call>

SOME USEFUL THINGS AROUND THE CHURCH BUILDING

Prayer Corner: members of the prayer ministry team are available to pray with people after each of the Sunday services; come down to "prayer corner" in the South East (front right) corner of the church.

Prayer request box: this is on the small table at the back right hand corner ('choir pew corner'). Next to it is a pad of paper and pen. Any prayer requests will be prayed for by the prayer ministry team after they have done their prayer ministry in 'Prayer Corner'.

Memorial display: in prayer corner is a display case with our memorial book. If you have loved ones who have died, we can place their names in this for memory and prayer.

PARISH NURSE DROP IN

Thursdays 12.30-2pm, Crossover, Holy Trinity Church, Aldershot
In confidence (consultations will take place in Parish Nurse Room in church)
Available to discuss medical concerns, for information/advice, blood pressure / weight monitoring and prayer.

Contact: Jan Nielsen, Tel: 07896813560 jniel48683@aol.com



There is a **hearing loop** in the main church building and also in Crossover.
To tune into the loop use the "T" mode setting on your hearing aid.

UPDATE IN LARGER PRINT

A small number of copies of Update and the Prayer Diary in larger print are available at the back of church. Please tell Christine Ward (01252 320210) if more copies are needed.

Large print **hymn books** are also available at the back of church – if you need one, please ask a sidesperson.



HELP WITH CLEANING OR IRONING

Deirdre Baker, a member of HT, offers a cleaning and/or ironing service, which can be for a short one-off blitz. If interested, contact Deirdre on 317833.

RELIABLE IRONING SERVICE.

Your ironing done in my smoke & pet free home. Very reasonable rates. Please ring Cathy Hawkins on 07792 913553 for details.

NEED DOG-WALKING OR CLEANING?

Please let me know if you would like your dog walked. I can provide references re: my trustworthiness etc. Also, if you know of anyone elderly or incapacitated who needs help with light chores, please contact me too.

Contact Julia Todd on 01252 656950

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 1st March Ash Wednesday
Friday March 3rd Women's World day of Prayer (see page 4)
Saturday 18th March Ladies Prayer Breakfast in Crossover (provisional)
5th to 7th May Men's weekend away at Greenhouse Christian Centre, Poole

WHOM TO CONTACT AT HT, JULY 2016 - AUGUST 2017

George will be based partly in London during this period and other staff members should be contacted about most church issues (see below). George will be around on most Sundays, but very seldom at mid-week events. He will be the key link to the Wellesley church plant and Jackie Maw (the Pioneer Minister), as well as continuing to project manage the Town Centre Pastoral Team. For all other areas, please contact the following:

Jonathan:

Worship Team
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Prayer (including PPPs and Prayer Ministry Teams)
Alpha and other enquirers' courses

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General enquiries (bookings, Christenings, funerals, weddings etc)
Sunday service planning
Prayer tree, Pastoral teams and issues

Simon

Children's Ministry (Contact, Kids Club etc)
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Whom do I tell...

...when something needs to be done in the HT building or site?

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FEBRUARY 2017 DIARY

1	11.15am	Holy Communion with Praise, Prayer & Prophecy	
	2.30, 7.15 & 8.00pm	Fellowship Groups	(Weds)
	7.30pm	POD Groups	(Weds)
	7.30pm	Puzzling Questions (also 8 th , 15 th & 22 nd)	
2	8.30am	Prayer for Renewal	(Thursdays)
	10-11.30am	Contact for parents and toddlers	(Thursdays in term)
	2.30pm	Women's Hour	(Thursdays)
	7.30pm	POD Groups	(Thursdays)
3	9.30-11am	Parent POD	(Fridays in term*)
	10.30am	Fellowship Group at Kingsley Court	(alternate Fridays*)
	6.00-7.00pm	HT Kids Club	(Fridays in term)
	7.00pm	First Friday Club (Men's eat & meet time)	(See page 7)
4	10.00am to noon	Mental Health Drop in	(See page 5)
5	SUNDAY		
	9.30am	Holy Communion	
	11.15am	Alternative Service	
	1.30-3.30pm	20s30s lunch at Jenny's café	
	6.30-8.30pm	Re:Form, HT Youth, ages 11-16	(Fridays in term)
6	7.30pm	PRAISE, PRAYER AND PROPHECY	
7	2.00 & 7.30pm	Fellowship Groups	(Tuesdays*)
8	11.15am	Holy Communion	(Weds)
12	SUNDAY - MISSION SUPPORT - CMJ		
	9.30am	Holy Communion	
	11.15am	Alternative Service	
17	7.45pm	Worship Team practice	
19	SUNDAY		
	9.30am	Morning Praise	
	11.15am	Holy Communion	
26	SUNDAY		
	9.30am	Holy Communion	
	11.15am	Alternative Service	
27	7.45pm	ACT Prayer at Church of the Ascension	(See page 4)
28		Shrove Tuesday (pancake day)	

* Check dates with group leaders.

Spring Term in Hampshire schools ends on Friday 7 April 2017. Spring half-term holiday is from Monday 20 February to Friday 24 February 2017.