



# All Saints Guildford

*Joyfully Living Jesus*

Welcoming Everyone

Growing Disciples Deepening Community



## MAY 2025

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## 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:  
Church 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](https://www.youtube.com/@allsaintsguildford)



## THOUGHTS FROM THE VICARAGE



A very significant milestone this year is the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day – marking Victory in Europe, and the end of World War II. It will be a moment to pay tribute to all those who fought for the freedoms we enjoy today.

Many of our most senior members will remember the first VE day back in 1945 - Margaret Arni, Pauline Coulter, Jo Garrick, Sheila Lambert, Jean and Tony Reed, Paddy Scott, Anne Bradbeer. It must have seemed extraordinary after six brutal years of war. Throughout the Allied world, millions celebrated. In Britain, pubs could stay open until late and red, white and blue bunting could be bought without ration coupons. Streets were filled with singing and dancing, parties and parades. Special services of thanksgiving were held.

Many events will be taking place both nationally and locally this year, to mark this significant event. There will be a national event at the National Memorial Arboretum, a celebration at Guildford Cathedral at 3pm on the 11<sup>th</sup> May, and church bells throughout the country will be ringing out at 6.30pm on the 8<sup>th</sup> May itself.

We'll be holding our own VE Day celebrations here at All Saints, at 4pm on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May (during Tea-Time Church). Do come along with any memorabilia you may have, and your memories of that time. We'll end with tea and cake, recalling the many street parties that were such a feature of that first VE day. Do bring friends, family and neighbours who have memories of that time.

Wishing you every blessing for the month ahead,

*Beverly*





## MISSION FOCUS: CHRISTIAN AID WEEK SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> TO SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY

This year, even more than usual there seems to be great need in the world, while aid budgets are being cut by many governments around the world. Sometimes we may wonder, “what can I do as one person?” But actually we can act to support those in need around the world by supporting charities that work in the most difficult circumstances in countries where there are famines, wars and natural disasters such as earthquakes, droughts and floods. One of these charities is Christian Aid. At the end of this article I will set out ways that **WE AT ALL SAINTS CAN HELP!**

Christian Aid was set up after the Second World War by churches in the UK and Ireland – hence its name. However Christian Aid does not just help Christians – it was set up (and continues to help) those **of all faiths and none**. For 80 years, Christian Aid has provided **humanitarian relief** and **long term development support** for poor communities worldwide, while **highlighting suffering, tackling injustice** and **championing people’s rights**.

This year Christian Aid is highlighting the problems faced by farmers due to climate change. For example, in Guatemala, gruelling heatwaves and extreme weather are destroying Aurelia’s farm. Aurelia (below left) worries about how much harvest her family will have to eat and sell. Aurelia and Amelia (below right) are both from the indigenous Q’eqchi’ community of the Alta Verapaz region of Guatemala. They are finding that a lack of water is killing their crops. Industrial plantations less than



a mile from Amelia's farm take the region's natural resources to feed the world's richest countries, while local farmers do not have enough water to grow fruit and vegetables.

Christian Aid works with some of the world's most vulnerable communities in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean. As their website states:

**Together with our supporters and partners, we aim:**

- ✦ to expose poverty throughout the world.
- ✦ to help in practical ways to end it.
- ✦ to highlight, challenge and change the structures and systems that favour the rich and powerful over the poor and marginalised.

**We believe in life before death**

- ✦ We seek to follow the teaching of Jesus Christ, who commanded his followers to love their neighbour and work for a better world.
- ✦ We stand with the most vulnerable and excluded people of the world – both in times of crisis and for the longer term. We give people survival essentials when they are without shelter or refuge, and help them find the strength and resources they need to flourish and protect themselves from shocks and disasters.
- ✦ We support people to stand up for their rights and to build stable, secure lives they can enjoy living.

**We're part of a global movement for change**

- ✦ Together, we have great influence and impact. We want people to pray with us, to act, to give and to get involved with us in a variety of ways.
- ✦ We work to educate and mobilise people from all kinds of backgrounds to build a movement that can change the course of history and bring social justice to all.
- ✦ We campaign to ensure a more equal division of power in the world, promoting the rights and voices of women and girls – and anyone discriminated against because of who they are.
- ✦ We push our political leaders to tackle climate change and tax dodging – which hit the poorest the hardest – and for our society to welcome those who have been forced to flee their homes overseas.



In Ukraine (above left), Christian Aid is still working with those most impacted by war, while in Ethiopia (above right), initial emergency response is gradually moving towards long term development aid.

We in **Guildford** can be part of this movement to bring help to those who are in need. **In Christian Aid week we can:**

1) **Deliver envelopes** to houses in this area. No need to collect them – we put information on the back of each envelope as to how people can give online, or where they can return their envelopes to. If you have 30 minutes to spare in Christian Aid week, please deliver some envelopes. Please sign up on the list in the church entrance to say which road(s) you would like to deliver to – envelopes can be collected from the church entrance nearer the time **to be delivered only from 11<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> May**.

2) **Cake sale and car wash** at Onslow Village Hall from **2pm to 4.30pm on Saturday 17th May**. This is always popular – last year we had a constant stream of cars all afternoon, and sold many cakes. Please come and support this – bake cakes, buy cakes, wash cars and bring your car to be washed. **Also please encourage your neighbours to come**. Please let Katherine Hopwood know what help you can offer.

3) **Give to Christian Aid** – either return an envelope to All Saints, or give online with the QR code on the next page or at this link:

[All Saints Guildford, 2025 Christian Aid Week - Christian Aid Fundraise](#)



4) Pray for the work of Christian Aid.

Thank you.

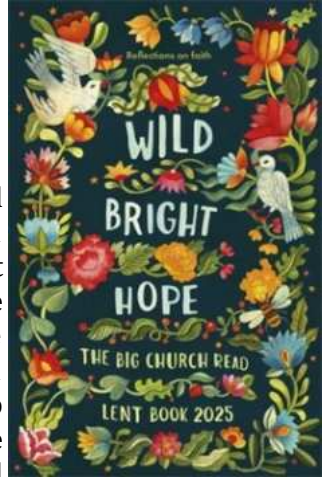
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*Missions Vision Group*

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## **WILD BRIGHT HOPE (REFLECTIONS ON FAITH)**

### **An Appraisal of the Lent Course 2025**

Fourteen members of the congregation signed up for the 2025 All Saints' Lent Course in March. The agenda for this year was some, but not all, of the twelve chapters contained in the book entitled 'Wild Bright Hope', having the subtitle 'Reflections on Faith'. Beverly invited Rev. Julian Hubbard (known with affection to many of us) and Martyn Whiteman to lead five evenings at the Vicarage of discussion and prayer. We were blessed by our leaders' skills in bringing out insights from all who attended, and at the same time providing informed guidance on the topics discussed. It was good to be able to meet together in person again, following years of Zoom-only meetings, for interactive dialogue, which, once we had got used to the microphone being passed round to each speaker, worked pretty well. The fact that the Vicarage living room was filled with people at the last meeting speaks volumes for the continuing interest created by this book.



The book itself is a compilation of contributions from twelve young authors, all with connections to the Church of England, whose aim is to encourage us to look with hope on the future of the church. They had been invited at the instigation of Justin Welby, the original aim being to call it 'The Archbishop's Lent Course 2025'; however, the pre-publication enforced resignation of the Archbishop caused that epithet to be dropped. Possibly, that event was in the background of our thoughts all the while during our studies and it goes without saying that it could not have increased the general mood of optimism in the church.



We wondered why the book described hope as being 'wild' and 'bright'. I can't say that we were any better informed at the end of the course about this. Possibly the explanation for the adjective 'wild' was a chapter (which we did not cover) about the wild scenes in a stadium in Mozambique when the crowd erupted after peace had been declared at the end of 30 years of Frelimo warfare. And 'bright'? Possibly because each of the contributors is a lively up-and-coming writer, who writes passionately about what gives them hope for the future.

'Hope' was well defined by each author, I thought. Christian hope, as the sub-title to the book makes clear, is based on faith, and so is more than mere optimism. But, equally, numerous grounds for optimism will lead to our feelings of hope being increased. We were encouraged by the spiritual declarations made by pop stars and others to their audiences. We were encouraged by an increased awareness of the murky past of colonialism, involving slavery and 'enforced conversions'. We are certainly better informed on reading that 70% of Christians in the world are from global majority heritage backgrounds, with Africa having more than 650 million Christians.

But we were perhaps less encouraged by a tendency exhibited by some of the writers to continue to hold the church responsible for past 'taking' of cultural heritages, despite attempts by fair minded theologians to present a more balanced judgement on past history. On the other hand, one writer, a Zimbabwean priest now in charge of several rural Kent villages, said that when she arrived in England, she expected to find the church to be a dying institution. Despite falling church attendances, she had positively found that this was not the case. However, she also maintained that the Church of England was at a crossroads. Whilst important strides had been made in addressing issues relating to gender, race, sexuality and safeguarding (witness the increasing numbers of women bishops and greater diversity), there were still reports of exclusion, racism and safeguarding failures which suggest that the journey towards inclusion was far from complete.

We were also invited, having just studied the ideas in that chapter, to set out what we thought were the qualities needed to be found in the next Archbishop of Canterbury, which would be sent in to the central committee of the Church of England as a response to a sounding out of the parishes throughout the country. Martyn was able to send in our considered

judgement, namely “a person who would be a peacemaker, diplomat, listener, forward thinker, inclusive, broadminded, and with humility acknowledging past shortcomings in the church.”

One can only be selective in writing this appraisal, as were Julian and Martyn in selecting which chapters we were to read. At the end of the course, someone recommended that we read the final chapter of the book called Hope in Suffering. It faced the question which Justin Welby himself has publicly admitted that he did not know the answer to, namely “How do we reconcile the experience of human suffering with the existence of a loving God?” This chapter, for me, was the most helpful of all the chapters, as it deepened one’s understanding of the true nature of the divine, expressed by the life of Jesus. Perhaps St. Paul was right when he famously wrote about Christianity: “There are three basic concepts, namely faith, hope and love, but the greatest of them is love”.

*Richard Hemingway*



Onslow Village Garden Club was founded in 1946 and is still thriving, with many activities and talks by horticultural experts. All members and non-members are welcome to the monthly meetings and other events. Dates for your diary:

### **Saturday 10th May**

**Annual Plant Sale** at Onslow Village Hall, 10am - 12pm. Masses of plants will be the main attraction. There will also be stalls selling second-hand jigsaw puzzles and good quality used books. Refreshments will be available.

### **Wednesday 21st May**

Our regular **monthly meeting** in Onslow Village Hall, 7.30pm. The speaker, Mark Saunders, will be giving a talk about **Dahlias**. These plants are very popular, readily available, and easy to grow. Do come to hear this very good speaker.

*Anne Bradbeer*

**christian  
aid** Car Wash & Cake Sale

**Saturday 17th May 2.00-4.30pm  
in Onslow Village Hall car park**



**ASCENSION DAY  
THURSDAY 29TH MAY**

Join us for a service of  
Holy Communion  
at 9.30am  
in the Reading Room

## HEDGEHOG HIGHWAYS INITIATIVE LAUNCH

**A joint collaboration between All Saints' Church, Onslow Village Residents' Association and Dr Tara Pirie of the University of Surrey**

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April saw the launch of our Hedgehog Highways collaboration between All Saints' Eco Group, Onslow Village Residents' Association (OVRA) and Dr Tara Pirie of the University of Surrey.

### *What's it about..?*

The aim of the initiative is to encourage our local community to help hedgehogs by creating hedgehog friendly habitats within our surrounding neighbourhood and parish.



### *The launch event...*

Dr Pirie, who is a lecturer in ecology and conservation, and Chair of the University's Hedgehog Working Group, gave a talk in the church hall on how we can help save hedgehogs. The event was well attended and was followed afterwards by a demonstration in the orchard of how to set up a mammal tracking tunnel for monitoring hedgehog activity (see left). Dr Pirie began her talk by discussing the current very poor status of hedgehogs, which is not good. Since 2000 there has been a 75% reduction in rural hedgehog populations and in 2020 hedgehogs were added to the red list of threatened species. They are now considered vulnerable to extinction in Britain.

She spoke of the threats to hedgehogs – particularly in rural areas with habitat loss from development, fewer hedgerows (a habitat where hedgehogs would typically forage and nest), the use of pesticides, heavy machinery and busy roads. These threats continue into our suburban garden environments with the use of garden pesticides, strimmers, bonfires, and impermeable barriers that constrain foraging ranges, e.g. fences without gaps.

### *How can we help..?*

Dr Pirie explained how we can make our garden habitats more wildlife

and hedgehog friendly with small improvements: the addition of a drinking station (a shallow dish of water); creating log piles and leaf piles (a great place to shelter); and adding hedgehog houses.



### *What do hedgehogs eat..?*

A hedgehog's diet includes slugs, earthworms, beetles, millipedes and caterpillars so creating a wild space where they can forage is a great way to ensure they can feed. In addition, planting wild flowers and incorporating bug houses and log piles will encourage more insects and beetles into your garden. A key fact: Hedgehogs are lactose intolerant, so don't put out milk, just water. And if you'd like to supplement their food on the colder autumn days before they go into hibernation, go for a meat-based wet dog or cat food (in a shallow dish) - never bread, as this has no nutritional value and just fills their stomachs up.

### *Hedgehog Highways...*

Most importantly, we learnt how we can help hedgehogs move between areas. Hedgehogs like to roam, and on average can cover a distance of 2km on a single night. So for urban hedgehogs, we need to create 'hedgehog highways' by linking up our gardens. We can do this by ensuring we have hedgehog sized holes (13x13cm) in our garden boundaries e.g. by cutting a hole in fences that lack a natural hole in or under them. You could also consider ramps in a tiered garden and where levels are raised between one garden and the next, as hedgehogs (with short legs) aren't great at climbing.



### *Monitoring hedgehog activity...*

Dr Pirie and her students have been monitoring hedgehog activity on the Surrey University campus via the use of mammal tracking tunnels. There is good news – hedgehog numbers appear to have increased since the university began looking for their tracks in 2020. Additionally, the university is part of a nationwide Hedgehog



Friendly Campus programme (with gold status), helping to make safer hedgehog-friendly environments. Dr Pirie finished her talk on the orchard where she demonstrated suitable places to position a tracking tunnel – somewhere flat, so you can peg it down, and ideally next to a fence or hedge as these are boundaries where hedgehogs are most likely to be travelling or nesting (hedge hogging). The photo on the previous page shows a good example of tunnel positioning in our orchard woodland trail.

If you would like to monitor hedgehog activity in your garden, All Saints and OVRA have purchased a set of ten tracking tunnels. These tunnels can now be borrowed for a two-week period by contacting OVRA—[info@ovra.org.uk](mailto:info@ovra.org.uk). The tunnels should be left outside for one week and checked daily for mammal activity (mammals entering the tunnel will leave footprints). The tunnel will come with a packet of hedgehog food, a pot of animal-friendly ink, instructions, and a common mammal footprint identification card.

#### *How to report a hedgehog sighting...*

You can report sightings to the British Hedgehog Preservation Society's BIG Hedgehog Map by going online to Hedgehog Street - [www.hedgehogstreet.org](http://www.hedgehogstreet.org) - and clicking on the link to 'Home of the BIG Hedgehog Map' or go directly to [bighedgehogmap.org](http://bighedgehogmap.org).

Additionally, Dr Pirie has a survey taking place at the university and would be delighted to include our area. There is a QR code available on the OVRA website - [ovra.org.uk](http://ovra.org.uk) - and click on the Hedgehog Highways Project link. Since the talk we have already had confirmed hedgehog footprints (right) and a sighting (top left)! A recording of the talk will also be available shortly on All Saints' and OVRA's websites.



*Sue Jones*  
*Eco Vision Group*

## NEWS FROM THE ALL SAINTS' BAND...

Our band at All Saints is quite a unique band. I tended to think that every church has a band. But no, this is not the case. We are blessed with the generous giving of time by a large number of band members. Here they are:

James - drums  
Liz - cello  
Katherine - violin & vocals alto  
Julie - recorder, piano, clarinet & vocals alto  
Linda - vocals alto  
Mark - vocals tenor  
Jan - vocals alto  
Mike - vocals tenor  
Annie - vocals tenor  
Sara - guitar & vocals soprano  
Andy - bass/guitar & vocals tenor

I am also hugely pleased to say we now have a new pianist, Ivy, from our congregation and we are also welcoming Arash to play piano too from the University of Surrey. Ivy also plays clarinet! We are restarting our rehearsals and will be **practicing on the first Saturday of the month**, before our Altogether Worship Sunday.

This huge range of talent gives us the opportunity to expand our band so we're pleased to say that we are opening it up to our younger youth generation. To start this off, we are setting up a time for anyone who is interested and would like to play or sing so we can get together and play a song. You do not have to have an instrument - you can just come along and sing with all of us!

You don't have to be an accomplished musician either. If you've just started then bring along your instrument and just learn to play a verse or a chorus of a song. We'd love to know what you think so please talk to Beverly or me and we can set up a time to get together.

*Andy  
All Saints Band Administrator*

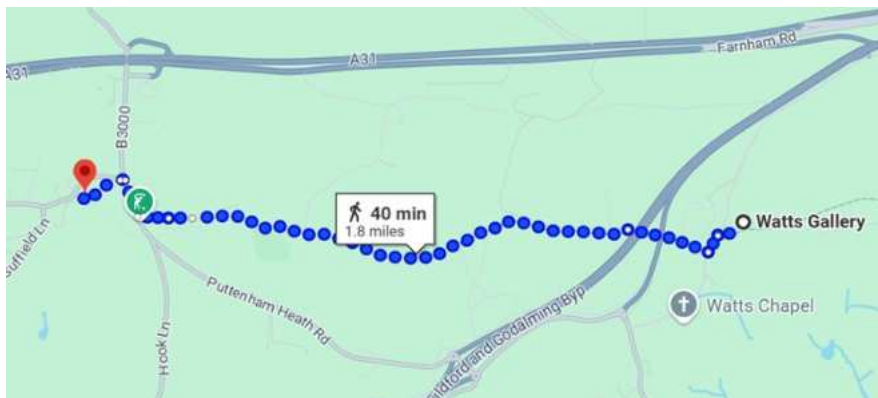
## CHURCH WALK - BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY, 5TH MAY

The Missions Vision Group is organising the church walk on 5th May – a shorter walk than last year. This year we will meet at All Saints from 10.15am, in time to depart All Saints at 10.30am for a direct route to Watts Gallery over the Hog’s Back (compared to last year’s route which went via the river and St Catherine’s). We are hoping that some international students will join us for this walk.



Above: All Saints to Watts Gallery approximate route.

Below: Watt’s Gallery to St John the Baptist church, Puttenham approximate route. The times listed are those for a solitary walker – when walking as a group one takes longer to do these distances!





For those meeting us at Watts Gallery, we will leave at 12 noon (meeting outside the main entrance to the café). This will allow folk time to go to the lavatory, or have a quick cup of tea. We will walk to St John's, Puttenham along the Pilgrims' Way/North Downs Way where there will be time to eat a picnic lunch that you have brought with you. We will return by the same route – so some people may choose to just join us for the middle part of the walk from Watts Gallery to Puttenham and back, which is suitable for pushchairs. Please note that Watts Gallery now charges £1 per vehicle for non members to park there.

Please sign up on the sheet at church, with all names of those who would like to join the walk, and whether you will meet at church or at the gallery. The pace of the walk will be gentle, to allow the younger members of our congregation (with shorter legs) to join us. All younger members need a responsible adult with them. If, on the day, anyone decides not to do all of the walk/the part they have signed up for, it is important that they let Katherine or Bruce Hopwood know this. There will be one car parked at Puttenham if anyone needs a lift back to collect their car from Watts Gallery. Please let us know in advance if you need this.

The walk will still take place if it rains, but please note that the path to Watts Gallery over the Hog's Back gets very muddy during and after rain, so please wear appropriate footwear! The path from Watts Gallery to Puttenham is in better condition.

If you have any questions, please contact Bruce Hopwood on [missions@allsaintschurchgfd.org.uk](mailto:misions@allsaintschurchgfd.org.uk)

*Katherine Hopwood*



# ALL SAINTS' ORCHARD PROJECT

## *Volunteer Mornings*



ALL WELCOME IN THE CHURCH FIELD  
10.30AM-12 NOON



## STAMPS FOR GAZA

We are now collecting used stamps to raise funds for the Al Ahli Arab hospital in Gaza.

The hospital is the only Christian hospital in the Gaza Strip and Gaza's only cancer hospital. It serves in time of calm during the occupation and despite all the bombing since Oct 2023, the hospital has continued to serve the population in whatever way it can, with the small resources it has, and with staff working for hours under difficult conditions. The hospital is run by the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

Please bring your stamps to the church foyer and put them in the blue box on the shelf.

This stamp appeal is being run by the Church of Scotland.



# BIG BUILD UPDATE



- We have displayed the Public Notice and Certificate of Publication for 30 days inside and outside the church and returned it to the diocesan registrar. This allows us to move forward with obtaining full planning permission.
- Our architect is in the process of completing the various forms needed for a full planning application to Guildford Borough Council. There is just one missing document, a 'Biodiversity Net Gain' calculation. An ecologist is visiting at the end of April and will provide us with a report mid-May. Among other biodiversity-related issues, she will be considering the preservation of bats.
- The steering group has agreed to delay the meeting with the wider community about our plans until soon after the summer break. In the meantime we are putting together a brochure promoting the project, which will be available in July.
- Work has been carried out by the Finance Vision Group searching for suitable schemes offering grants to churches. Many have been investigated and two have been found which do not need to be accompanied with planning permission approval. Applications have been made and we should have some further information in June.

*Robin Holdsworth*



## **This May, help support pollinators**



Nothing says Spring like the buzz of a bee! But bees are declining because of habitat loss, climate change and agricultural intensification. **Tuesday 20th May is World Bee Day**, so look around to see how you can improve habitats for bees and other pollinators - even small efforts make a difference.

Read more about bees, butterflies and habitats that support them, such as wildflowers, at [arocha.org.uk/what-we-do/target-25](https://arocha.org.uk/what-we-do/target-25), and pray for the rejuvenation of these crucial pollinators.





## DIOCESE OF GUILDFORD CHURCHES BLAZE THE ECO TRAIL THIS EARTH DAY

The Diocese of Guildford currently has the highest number of Gold Eco Churches in the UK. The prestigious credential awarded by the Christian environmental charity, A Rocha UK, has been bestowed on five of the diocese's churches. It is an award scheme designed to motivate and resource churches to care for God's earth in their everyday work and witness. In total, 66% of churches in the Diocese of Guildford have signed up to the Eco Church scheme, with 105 churches receiving some kind of award.

Just ahead of Earth Day, a number of the diocese's Gold Eco Churches were celebrated at a special event hosted at All Saints' Church, Guildford. The event was an opportunity for churches to share inspiration of how they got their award, how they are putting creation care at the heart of their ministry, and engaging their congregation and wider community in caring for the environment.

Attending the event were representatives including clergy and eco teams from All Saints Guildford, St Nicolas Great Bookham, Holy Trinity Guildford and All Saints Ockham. All gave presentations sharing their work in front of each other and to both Bishop Paul and Bishop Andrew.

The celebration largely took place in All Saints' orchard, which has restored and developed natural habitats for local plants and wildlife. The orchard comprises approximately 150 hedge saplings and ten fruit trees. Speaking at the event, both Bishop Paul and Bishop Andrew noted that they were always reminded of the urgency of the climate crisis and its impact when speaking with other Bishops in the Global South. Bishop Paul commended the work of the Eco Churches and invited them to a future event where they can support some of the Silver Eco Churches as they progress in their environmental journey.

The Gold Eco Churches, which represented parishes in urban, suburban, village and rural areas, spoke about their various actions to reduce waste, encourage biodiversity, switch to green electricity, as well as not serving meat at church events.

*[cofeguildford.org.uk](http://cofeguildford.org.uk)*



# CELEBRATION

**All Saints' Church**  
**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm**

**Join us with your friends and neighbours  
and bring any memorabilia and  
memories you may have of the time.**

**Tea and cake will be served after  
the service**



# MEMORIES OF EASTER TIME AT ALL SAINTS





# SECOND BEST!

## GETTING STARTED

Did you know that second-hand is the new trend for clothing, and one that is here to stay? Take the awards ceremony at the Earthshot Prize, hosted by the young Royals, at which every guest wore second-hand outfits, including names like Emma Watson, Emma Thompson and The Princess of Wales. Gone are the days when second-hand was synonymous with tatty, mildewed and old fashioned. We take a look at the best solutions for shopping second BEST!

## CHARITY SHOPS

Sometimes the oldies are the goodies. Charity shops have been creating spaces for reusing and repurposing for decades, and many people donate unwanted goods to them. But do you ever go in and buy clothes and other items? It really is the new trend for young people (and us middle-aged types too). Bargains are to be had, and what's more, items don't count towards your personal carbon footprint either. It's a regular date for me and my girls to find the best charity shops in an area and go shopping together.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

We've all heard of Ebay, but did you know that Facebook has a section called Marketplace, where things for sale in a local area are listed? But MUCH more fun than that is being part of the Onslow Village Facebook page and seeing what generous neighbours are giving away, every day! Or street WhatsApp groups are doing the same locally too.

## ONLINE SHOPPING

The biggest change in recent years has been the growth in dedicated second-hand shopping sites. Log on to VINTED or DEPOP, or even OXFAM online, and get shopping for beautiful clothes at a fraction of the cost, and none of the guilt. No jumble sale elbows required. Happy shopping!!!





# All Saints' HEAR HERE CLINIC



**MONTHLY**  
**Third Monday**  
**of the month**  
**2pm-3pm**

## **ALL SAINTS' CHURCH**

Vicarage Gate  
Guildford  
GU2 7QJ

Provided by NHS  
trained volunteers.  
Re-tubing and  
battery replacement,  
*NHS supplied  
hearing aids only.*

May 19th  
June 16th  
July 21st  
August 18th  
September 15th  
October 20th  
November 17th  
December 15th

**No need to book,  
just drop in for  
FREE hearing aid  
maintenance,  
battery changes  
and advice**

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## Pope Francis

*17 December 1936 - 21 April 2025*



*Bishop Andrew* has shared the following message following the death of Pope Francis at aged 88:

"Pope Francis was an inspiration to hundreds of millions both within and beyond the Roman Catholic church, and we give thanks for his warm compassion, simplicity of life, commitment to God's Creation and deep joy in the gospel of Jesus Christ, which he commended so consistently and winsomely.

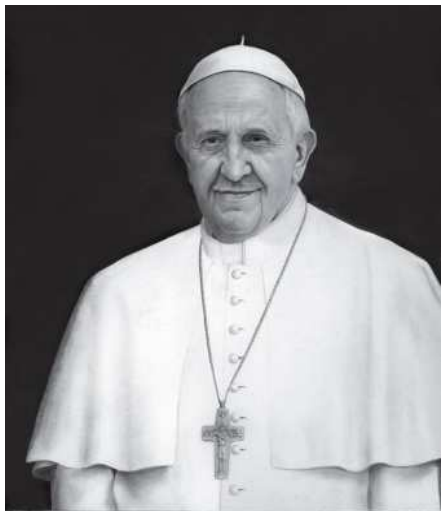
"It seems appropriate that he has been welcomed home in this resurrection season, so shortly after blessing the Easter pilgrims in Rome; and while we rejoice in a life well lived, we pray for all who mourn his passing."

The last time there was no Pope and no Archbishop of Canterbury simultaneously was for a brief period in May 1691.

The See of Canterbury was vacant from 1st February 1690 to 31st May 1691, after the then-Archbishop was deprived of his office. Pope Alexander VIII died in February 1691.

Therefore, for a few months in early 1691, both positions were vacant.

It's interesting to note that the current situation, with Pope Francis's recent passing and the Archbishop of Canterbury's resignation earlier this year, marks the first time this has happened in over 300 years, since that brief period in 1691.



A prayer, giving thanks for the Pope's life of ministry:

Father in heaven, we praise your name  
for all who have finished this life loving and trusting you,  
for the example of their lives,  
the life and grace you gave them  
and the peace in which they rest.

We praise you today for your servant Francis  
and for all that you did through him.

Meet us in our sadness  
and fill our hearts with praise and thanksgiving,  
for the sake of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour,  
we commend your servant Francis.  
Acknowledge, we pray, a sheep of your own fold,  
a lamb of your own flock,  
a sinner of your own redeeming.  
Enfold him in the arms of your mercy,  
in the blessed rest of everlasting peace  
and in the glorious company of the saints in light.

*Amen*



**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 3pm  
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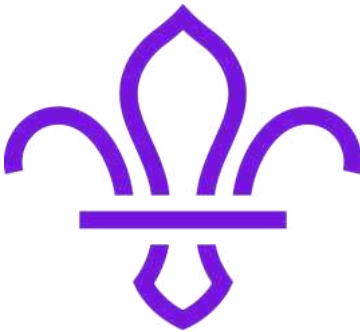
A special service of Choral Evensong commemorating the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day.

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*A prayer for peace, as we approach VE Day:*

O God, who would fold both heaven and earth  
in a single peace;  
that the design of your great love lighten  
upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows  
and give peace to your church, peace among nations,  
peace in our dwellings and peace in our hearts;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*



## 5TH GUILDFORD SCOUT GROUP NEEDS YOU!

5th Guildford Scout Group is currently formed of three sections: Cubs (8-10½), Scouts (10½-14), and a recently reinvigorated Beavers (6-8). There is an ambition to start a Squirrels section (4-6)...watch this space for further news.

All three sections are vibrant and lively, led by an enthusiastic team of leaders and supported by parents volunteering on a weekly basis.

So why do we need YOU? As a charity, the Group needs a Board of Trustees to help ensure that our young people stay safe in a sustainably run, legally compliant, fun place to grow and gain skills. At the moment our Board of Trustees consists of just three people and we would really welcome your support. If you can spare a few hours a month to help with the background administration, scrutiny, and oversight that the Trustees provide, please drop me a line to find out more about what is involved.

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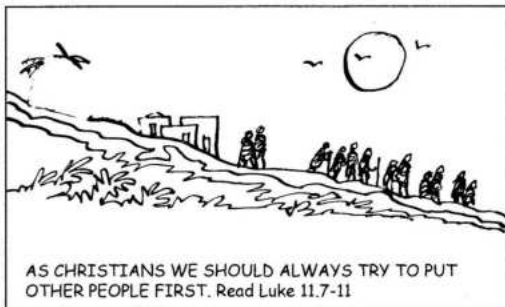
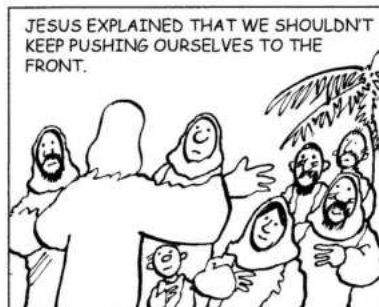
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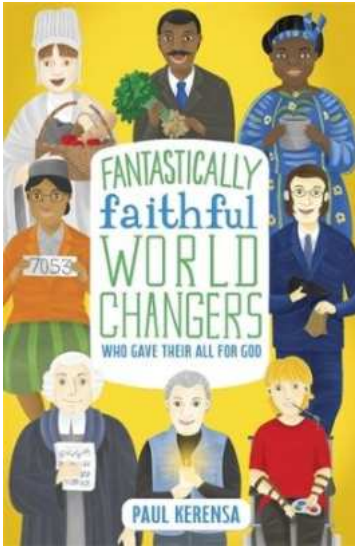


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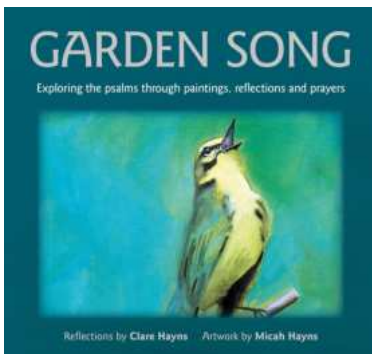


### Fantastically Faithful World Changers Who Gave Their All For God

By **Paul Kerensa**, SPCK, £7.99

The Fantastically Faithful People series brings children aged seven plus real-life stories that reveal what ordinary people can achieve when they put their faith in God. This book brings you, amongst others: **John Newton**, who went from slave ship captain to a leading light in the fight against slavery; **Elizabeth Fry**, who improved conditions for countless people in prison; **Thomas Barnardo**, who transformed the lives of children living in poverty; **George Washington Carver**, who went from slavery to groundbreaking scientist; and **Rosa Parks**, who

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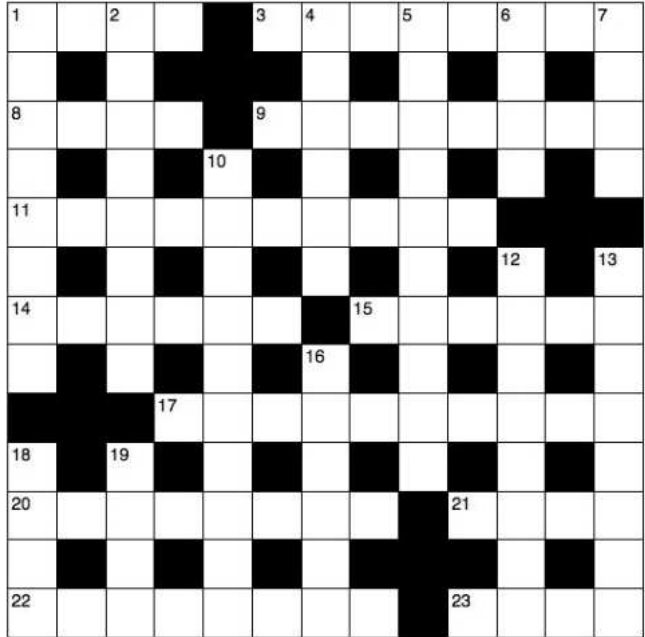
### Garden Song: Exploring the Psalms Through Paintings, Reflections and Prayers

By **Various Authors**, BRF, £14.99

This book brings together original artwork by artist Micah Hayns and reflections and prayers by Reverend Clare Hayns. Leading the reader through 30 selected psalms, the mother-son duo capture the essence of this ancient text – the worship, the grieving and the joy – and open up new ways to engage with its riches. There is also a playlist of suggested music to accompany the reflections.



## PUZZLE PAGE



## CROSSWORD

Answers on page 34

### Across

- 1 Infant (Luke 2:12) (4)
- 3 Luis must (anag.) (8)
- 8 What Jesus called the devil (John 8:44) (4)
- 9 'My God, my God, why have you — me?' (Matthew 27:46) (8)
- 11 Anglican form of church government (10)
- 14 'Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like — ' (Isaiah 40:31) (6)
- 15 Ministers of religion (6)
- 17 Make stronger (1 Thessalonians 3:13) (10)
- 20 Devoutness (1 Timothy 2:2) (8)
- 21 The father of Jesse (Ruth 4:22) (4)
- 22 Pool where Jesus healed a man who had been an invalid for 38 years (John 5:2) (8)
- 23 '[Jesus] said to them, " — here and keep watch"' (Mark 14:34) (4)



## Down

- 1 Follower of Christ (Acts 16:1) (8)
- 2 One of the punishments endured by Paul (2 Corinthians 6:5) (8)
- 4 Soldiers (Exodus 14:9) (6)
- 5 Scholarly study of melody, harmony and rhythm (10)
- 6 'I am God, and there is none — me' (Isaiah 46:9) (4)
- 7 'And how can they preach unless they are — ?' (Romans 10:15) (4)
- 10 Favourable reception (1 Timothy 1:15) (10)
- 12 Hip orbit (anag.) (8)
- 13 End of life (Isaiah 22:14) (5,3)
- 16 'About midnight the sailors — they were approaching land' (Acts 27:27) (6)
- 18 He married Jezebel (1 Kings 16:30–31) (4)
- 19 'According to your great compassion — out my transgressions' (Psalm 51:1) (4)

## SUDOKU

Solution on page 42

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### Crossword answers (grid on page 32)

**ACROSS:** 1, Baby. 3, Stimulus. 8, Liar. 9, Forsaken. 11, Episcopacy. 14, Eagles. 15, Clergy. 17, Strengthen. 20, Holiness. 21, Obed. 22, Bethesda. 23, Stay.

**DOWN:** 1, Believer. 2, Beatings. 4, Troops. 5, Musicology. 6, Like. 7, Sent. 10, Acceptance. 12, Prohibit. 13, Dying day. 16, Sensed. 18, Ahab. 19, Blot.

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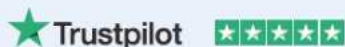
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2025	8am	10am	4pm
<b>4<sup>th</sup> May, Easter 3</b>  <i>The conversion of St. Paul</i>	<b>Holy Communion</b>  Acts 9:1-6, (7-20), Revelation 5:11-14 and John 21:1-19	<b>Altogether Worship</b>  Acts 9:1-6, (7-20), Revelation 5:11-14 and John 21:1-19	<b>Tea Time Church</b>  Acts 9:1-6, (7-20), Revelation 5:11-14 and John 21:1-19
<b>11<sup>th</sup> May, Easter 4</b> and beginning of Christian Aid week  <i>Aeneas and Dorcas</i>		<b>Church Family Communion</b>  Acts 9:36-43, Revelation 7:9-17 and John 10:22-30	<b>Tea Time Church:</b> VE Day Celebrations (8 <sup>th</sup> May)  Acts 9:36-43, Revelation 7:9-17 and John 10:22-30
<b>18<sup>th</sup> May, Easter 5</b>  <i>Peter at Cornelius' house</i>	<b>BCP Communion</b>  Acts 11:1-18, Revelation 21:1-6 and John 13:31-35	<b>Morning Worship</b>  Acts 11:1-18, Revelation 21:1-6 and John 13:31-35	<b>Tea Time Church</b>  Acts 11:1-18, Revelation 21:1-6 and John 13:31-35
<b>25<sup>th</sup> May, Easter 6</b>  <i>Lydia's conversion</i>		<b>Church Family Communion</b>  Acts 16:9-15, Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 and John 14:23-29	<b>Tea Time Church:</b> Eco theme  Acts 16:9-15, Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 and John 14:23-29
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May, Ascension Day</b>		<b>9.15am Ascension Day Service (BW to preside and preach)</b>  Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:15-23 and Luke 24:44-53	

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - MAY

Thursday 1st, 12.30pm	Magazine Team Meeting
Thursday 1st, 7.30pm	Men's Group - 'Exploring the Way'
Friday 2nd, 10.00am	Baby & Toddler Group
Monday 5th, 10.15am	Bank Holiday Monday Church Walk
Tuesday 6th, 7.30pm	Altogether Worship Planning
Wednesday 7th, 10.30am	Men's Coffee Morning
Wednesday 7th, 7.45pm	Sharing & Learning Group
Friday 9th, 10.00am	Baby & Toddler Group
Friday 9th, 3.00pm	Friday Group
Saturday 10th, 9.00am	Prayer Breakfast
Sunday 11th	Christian Aid Week begins
Monday 12th, 10.00am	Pastoral Team Meeting
Monday 12th, 4.00pm	Barnabas Group
Monday 12th, 5.30pm	Worship Vision Group
Monday 12th, 7.00pm	Big Build Team Meeting
Tuesday 13th, 12.30pm	Vision Group Chairs
Tuesday 13th, 7.15pm	PCC
Wednesday 14th, 12.30pm	Wednesday Lunch Group
Thursday 15th, 7.30pm	Men's Group - 'Exploring the Way'
Friday 16th, 10.00am	Baby & Toddler Group
Saturday 17th, 2.00pm	Christian Aid Car Wash & Cake Sale
Sunday 18th, 5.30pm	Youth Group
Monday 19th, 2.00pm	Hearing Clinic
Wednesday 21st, 2.30pm	Dray Court Service
Wednesday 21st, 7.45pm	Sharing & Learning Group
Wednesday 21st, 8.00pm	Premises Group
Friday 23rd, 10.00am	Baby & Toddler Group



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY CONT.

Friday 23rd, 3.00pm	Friday Group
Monday 26th	Spring Bank Holiday
Thursday 29th	Ascension Day
Thursday 29th, 7.30pm	Men's Group - 'Exploring the Way'
Friday 30th, 10.00am	Baby & Toddler Group
Saturday 31st, 10.30am	Orchard Volunteer Morning

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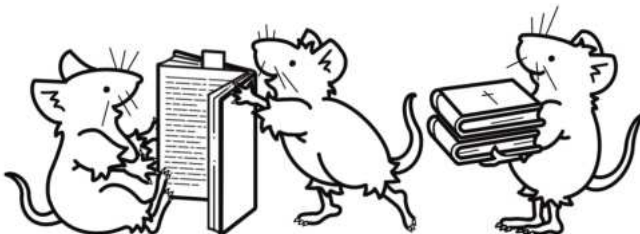


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