

Zoom Prayer Meetings and Home Groups

If you would like to join a Zoom Prayer Meeting or a Zoom Home Group please contact the Church Office for further information.

Zoom Prayer Meetings take place at 4pm on Friday afternoons. The next one will be on **Friday 14th May**.

Video/Audio Service

If you are unable to access our weekly YouTube Church Service on line, please contact the Church Office (details on the back page) and Bob will be in touch with you to find a way in which he can help you either listen to or watch the service.

A Mile a Day for May

As a way of celebrating her increased mobility over the past year Ann Arch is undertaking to walk a *minimum* of a mile a day throughout May. She would appreciate people sponsoring her in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. She has a giving page on Facebook and sponsorship forms are available if you prefer to donate that way.



Support the work at St George's

For details of how to support the work of St George's Church please visit our website

<https://www.stgw.org.uk/giving/>

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The Office will be closed for the week beginning Monday 17th May, reopening on Monday 24th May.

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Sunday 9th May 2021

PEWS NEWS

Mark 5: 1-20

Watch our Sunday service online at

www.stgw.org.uk/online

Welcome to St George's - online or in church!

We're so pleased you could join us.

If you would like to join us for a service in church please see the website for Covid-safe instructions, and book your seat for each Sunday by emailing or calling the office by noon of the Friday before, so that we can ensure we have enough room for everyone attending to be socially distanced. You won't get a reply unless there are no seats left.

St George's Annual Parochial Church Meeting and Election of Churchwardens - next Sunday, 16th May, immediately after the morning service.

Items of Any Other Business should be received in writing at the Church Office by noon on Thursday 13th May

A Seat on the PCC?

There are 3 places available on our PCC. If you would like to serve your church and help to make decisions about St George's, please consider completing a nomination form to put yourself up for election at the APCM. Please contact one of the Wardens or a current PCC member for more details. Completed nomination forms must be received at the Church Office by noon next **Friday 14th May**.

Gift Day

This year St George's Gift Day is **Sunday 23rd May**. We are seeking to raise funds to support our children and youth worker position. As we emerge from lockdown this role is vital to our continuing outreach ministries and PCC have clearly identified it as an opportunity for growth. Please do be considering prayerfully how you might be able to support this area of ministry.

Prayer Requests

Members and friends of the fellowship in need of our prayers this week:
**Irene Daley; June Elphick; Hilary Ferries; Frieda Goulding's sister Sue;
Doris Richardson; Jeremy Robinson.**



Please continue to pray for energy and enthusiasm for the team producing the video services

Children's & Young People's Update

Well we are slowly returning to normality!!

Young Followers is now back on a Sunday morning in person in the church halls. Our younger group for reception – school year 3 children & our older group for school years 4-8. We follow the bible passage each week that is spoken on in the church service so that the whole church family are worshipping together.

Our **Youth Bible Study** for school years 9+ also had its first face to face meeting last Sunday evening when we looked at the parable of the prodigal son. We meet on 1st & 3rd Sunday evening of the month at 6pm in the church hall for a time of bible study.

Toddlers has now had 2 sessions on a Thursday morning & although it looks very different to how it used to be a great time of play, crafts....painting on the first week, story & songs are being had by all! Booking for this is essential....see the photo of what this now looks like!



Messy Church returns in person this **Tuesday**

11th May in the church. We can't provide a meal at the moment but everything else that we love about Messy will be there. Messy Church runs on 2nd Tuesday of the month & at the moment from 3.30-4.30pm. You do need to book for this as well.

Youth Club re-starts this evening with our **Junior Youth Club** school years 3-6 & our **Senior Youth Club** re-starts on Sunday 23rd May both run from 4-5.30pm. There is table tennis, table football, pool, board games, crafts & a bible thought of the day. Again as soon as we can provide snacks for the young people we will do!

If you know of any young people that may like any of these regular activities please do let them know and pass on my details, I would love to chat with them.

Equally if you would like to be a part of any of these teams & volunteer an hour of your time please do have a chat with me. We are in need of helpers at these groups & without our wonderful team of volunteers none of these groups would be able to happen.

Please do hold all of this in your prayers.

Kathryn



Ashburnham 2022

Friday 17th -

Sunday 19th June 2022

Book the dates now!

Application forms
available soon!

St George's Overseas Mission Link

The Worthing Based global *Community Development Network* includes over 500 local Churches, Missions and Christian charities, mainly in African countries.

A new digital Youth empowerment Resource of 24 topics, researched by a multinational team of young people has now been added to the Network 'Resource Hub' website www.communitydevelopment.net and might be of interest to young people who are struggling in these difficult times.

An exciting and challenging *Community Led Transformation* project has been started with a partner Church in Malawi, in a rural community where the average income is less than £1 per day! This project will include 'Know How' help with income generation, reforestation, clean water supply, sanitation and development of a Church based '*digital primary school initiative*', as there is no accessible or affordable local schooling! A linked local radio station development is also being planned in collaboration with a partner Worthing charity.

Much internet research is still needed so if you would like to give a few hours per week to help some of the most needy people in these difficult times for much conventional mission and charity work, please contact Mike Tyler for more information.

Contact the Church Office for a copy of the latest Community Development Network newsletter.

Tomato Plants

Ron Prevett has a surplus of cherry tomato plants ready for outdoor cultivation free for anyone who would like them. He is happy to deliver. Please contact Ron or the Church Office.

Faith in Sussex

The latest issue of Faith in Sussex is available at <https://online.fliphtml5.com/gmzrd/rppf/>. You will find encouraging stories of faith, the vocation stories of the new deacons, and stories from the Chichester Diocese parishes, as well as updates from Mothers' Union and Family Support Work.