SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2015

If you are a newcomer or visitor, please introduce yourself!

Ministry at David Gresham House - short service of Holy Communion on 2nd, 3rd & 5th Sundays at 12 noon
Ministry at Windmill Manor - short service at 11.30am on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays and 2nd Thursdays of the month

Activities/Groups in our separate churches are open to members of both churches

COMMUNICANT MEMBERS of any Church are invited to receive Holy Communion in our churches; others are invited to come at that time for a blessing.

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION BREAD is available at St John’s. Please speak to a Sidesperson before the service if you require this.

WE PRAY FOR those who are ill, in need and those who care for them: Phoebe Lollar, May Lacey, Fay Butcher, Jackie Booker, Neville Jacobs, Roger Perryman, David Jordan, Frank West, Mig Ford, Jo Starmer, Joyce Jones, Sam Collins, Shirley Bates, Arthur and Susan Cormier, Andrew Coppin, Alan Dilnot, Audrey Browne, Innes Stent, Margaret Evans, Doris Daigle and Marion Breton.

RIP: Graham Heasman, Peter Jackson, Derek Richardson


Names & dates for this birthday list to Janet Harman’s pigeonhole please, or to office@stjhurstgreen.co.uk

SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY, FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings*
Genesis 9.8-17 (OT page 8)
Psalm 25.1-9 (OT page 532)
1 Peter 3.18-22 (NT page 251)
Mark 1.9-15 (NT page 37)
*page numbers refer to pew bibles

ST JOHN’S CHURCH
SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2015
Lent 1
8am Holy Eucharist
9.30am Parish Eucharist - crèche, children’s groups in the York Rooms:
Pebbles (4-7) and Rocks (8-10 years)

THE WEEK AHEAD
Mon 23 9.15am: Morning Prayer
3.30pm: Children’s Church, Church and York Rooms

Tues 24 8pm: Hurst Green Singers rehearsal in Church

Wed 25 10am: Wedding preparation in Church
12 noon: Eucharist
7.50pm: Choir Practice, choir vestry

Thurs 26 10.30am: Fortnightly Coffee Morning, St John’s Room
2pm: Thanksgiving Service for the life of Graham Heasman, Church

Sat 28 10am: Baptism preparation in Church

SUNDAY 1 MARCH 2015
Second Sunday of Lent
8am Holy Eucharist
9.30am Parish Eucharist - crèche, children’s groups in the York Rooms:
Pebbles (4-7) and Rocks (8-10 years)
Moyna Bridge to preach on Fairtrade
Fairtrade Stall in St John’s Room following service
3.30pm: Confirmation Service, St George’s, Crowhurst

METHODOIST NOTICES
24/7 PRAYER Our next prayer adventure begins on 28th February. Please see the notice in the Crush hall and sign up for an hour or more.

CHURCH SPRING CLEAN Saturday 7th March at 10.30am.

MAUNDY THURSDAY 6.46AM. Hot cross buns will be handed to early morning commuters at Hurst Green Station. If you can help buttering buns on Wednesday, please speak to Karen.

SAINSBURYS KIDS VOUCHERS are being collected by the Biggin Hill Romania Group. There will be a basket in the Crush Hall.

PLEASE TAKE A JAR TO SUPPORT WATER AID’S APPEAL to help provide clean safe water where there is no supply at present. You might like to put a coin in your jar each time you use clean water during Lent. Please return your jar after Easter with, if appropriate, the gift aid form completed. The jars are available in the Crush hall.

MEMBERSHIP CLASSES. Karen will be holding membership classes in April, for anyone interested in becoming a member of
the Methodist Church. If you are interested please chat to Karen.

JUNIOR CHURCH is now led by Chris and Amanda Blackburn, on the second and third Sundays of each month.

NOTICES FOR WEEK 1st March to Marion West by 24th Feb Tues Afternoon. (382259 or west.marion@btinternet.com)

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TODAY is Day 5 of Cover to Cover, the year long Bible reading challenge.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the confirmation candidates: Louie, Leo and Joshua (St John’s); Beatrice, Hollie, Fiona, Luke, Diana, Annie, Ellie, Neil, Jayson (St George’s); Vicky (St Peter’s), to be confirmed by Bishop Jonathan at St George’s next Sunday at 3.30pm.

THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL is being revised and if you are a regular worshipper and either wish to vote or stand as a Candidate for election to the PCC at the APCM please complete an application form. All application forms must be returned and be with me by Sunday 29 March 2015. Application Forms are on the table at the back of church; when completed please put under ‘B’ in the pigeonholes in the porch.

Diana Bush, Electoral Roll Officer

DON’T MISS OUT ON FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT, 23 February - 8 March: St John’s is a Fairtrade Church. To affirm our commitment:

- We will be trying Fairtrade Communion wine… let us know what you think!

- Moyna Bridge from All Saints church Oxted will preach at the 9.30am service on 1 March about Fairtrade. Those that wish to can also talk to her about her recent trip to Peru over coffee after the service.

- A selection of Fairtrade foodstuff, some small craft items (ideal gifts) and cards will be available to buy on Sundays 1 and 8 March (thanks to Kath McCarthy). Please come prepared for a little after church shopping on those days!

- ‘REAL’ fairtrade coffee (served from cafetières) will be available on Sundays 1 and 8 March - church coffee at its best! and…..

- From John Mills: Calling all Tea Drinkers! we will start offering a variety of 12 different kinds of tea from Earl Grey to Peppermint (enjoyed by Anna). Hope you will all enjoy the experience!

‘Love mercy, seek justice and walk humbly with your God’ (Micah 6:8) Revd Anna

OUR FORTNIGHTLY COFFEE MORNING continues this Thursday from 10.30am to 12 noon in St John’s Room. Please come and invite anyone you think would enjoy this event. If you or they need transport, just let Barbara Richards know (715636, and it will be arranged. We hope to see you there.

OLD PHOTO OF ST JOHN’S: We have been given a photograph of the interior of St John’s taken just after it opened in 1913. This is the earliest record we have. It is interesting to note the following:- there is plain glass in the east window - stained glass was installed in July 1914; a temporary, low, open pulpit - the present one was installed in 1918; a brass lectern - used until 1949; no gilding or paint on the screen and reredos - this was done in 1956; gas lighting - electricity was not introduced until 1929. If you would like to see the photo, Mary has it for the moment, after which it will be placed in the church archives.

REPORTS FOR ANNUAL MEETING, 19 APRIL: The deadline for written reports (by e-mail or in my pigeonhole please) is Friday 6 March but I am happy to receive them earlier than this! Thank you. Janet Harman

CHRISTIAN THEATRE COMPANY RISE THEATRE will be bringing their production of WHITE RABBIT to St Joseph’s Catholic Church in Redhill on Saturday 21 March. RISE are a vibrant company who devise engaging and powerful Christian theatre and workshops, and will be part of the St John’s “Make, Do & BBQ” series later in the year. Tickets for WHITE RABBIT can be bought at www.risetheatre.co.uk or for more information contact Sarah: sarahnewbury1@gmail.com

EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR we pray for one of our 12 Committed Giving recipients. In February we remember the Barnabas Fund. This supports Christians in countries where they are in the minority, and who suffer discrimination, oppression and persecution as a consequence of their faith. Their homes may be seized or burned so they become homeless, vulnerable and despised. Their situation is especially acute in Pakistan, India, northern Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Afghanistan and Myanmar. Please pray for all those who are persecuted for standing up for their faith, and for those who have lost their homes and now live in squallid conditions.

GENERAL NOTICES

A VERY ‘BIG THANK YOU’ to everyone who so kindly supported my Charity Luncheon on Friday 6th February. A total of £2,100 was raised, which will go to my charities: Papworth Hospital Charity and Mighty Oaks Youth Club. Liz Parker

SPONSOR A MEDICAL STUDENT: Would anyone, individually or in a group, consider sponsoring a Kenyan student through medical school? More information from Liz Noble (01737 669139, or Jenifer Ruxton, (712836)

THERE WILL BE STATIONS OF THE CROSS each Friday at 12.00 during Lent at All Saints, with a soup lunch afterwards. All are very welcome to join us. Dates Feb 27th, March 6, 13, 20, 27.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 24 FEBRUARY-9 MARCH
An invitation to celebrate Fairtrade in Tatsfield Sunday 8th March 6.00-8.00pm Tatsfield Village Hall Opening with a short film showing at 6.15pm, followed by comments and questions to a panel including special guestBarbara Crowther, Director of Policy and Public Affairs at the Fairtrade Foundation, and then Traditional High Tea with a twist

This is a free event sponsored by the Parish Council but RSVP tatsfieldfairtradegroup@gmail.com

FRIDAY 6TH MARCH, WOMEN’S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE: 10.00 am St Mary’s, Tatsfield and at 8.00pm, St Mary’s, Oxted. This year praying for the women of The Bahamas. Both services will be followed by refreshments. All are welcome, Men, Women and Children. "Contact : Pauline 382187 or Shirley 712304."

EASTER SATURDAY. Rev. Anna will be leading an arts and crafts session at Aggies.

6.30 AM EASTER SUNDAY. Rev. Anna will be leading a service near Aggies on the Green.

TIC TOC is an informal fellowship group which meets at 10am on Mondays in term time. The next meeting will be on Monday 23 February at Sarah Darby’s house, 24 Stanhopes, Limpsfield: Lent Course (week 1). Those with small children should feel relaxed about joining us. New members and occasional visitors are always welcome. Further information from: Janet Harman 715301 or janet.harman@ntlworld.com

Items for next Sunday to Janet Harman by 9am on Wednesday please: office@stjohnshurstgreen.co.uk