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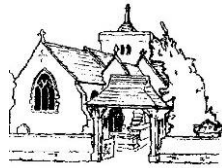
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## **St Peter's Church, Ardingly**

### **Who's Who at St Peter's**

|                          |                                    |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Rector                   | Revd John Crutchley                | 892332           |
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| Safeguarding Coordinator | Jane Taylor Cheater                | 892769           |
| Church Centre Manager    | Jill Veasey                        | 892442           |
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| Lay Ministers            | Sue Laker                          | 892117           |

### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

**9.00 am A traditional form of Holy Communion**

**10.30 am Morning Worship – our main service – see Services page**

**The church is also open Mondays-Fridays  
from 10am to 5pm for private prayer**

*See the following pages for full details of all this month's services*

## RECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends



As the disciples sat huddled together on the first Easter Sunday evening, they were frightened and confused. But then, Luke tells us that the risen Lord Jesus appeared to them and gave them a promise. *"I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so, stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high"* he said [Luke 24: 49]. As the disciples heard this, I wonder if they remembered the words of the prophet Joel, that God would pour out his Spirit on all people. I wonder if, in their confusion, they realized just what was being promised to them? Because it's a truth that is all too easily forgotten, that unless the church possesses *'the promise of the Father'* or in other words, the miracle working power of the Holy Spirit, then it is nothing.

In the season of Pentecost and as we remember again the fulfilment of that promise - a fulfilment that transformed a tired, frightened, and confused group of disciples into the bold, confident preachers of the early church - we need to remember that God's promise was to all of us as well. That, just as the disciples were transformed by the power of God's Spirit, we too can be transformed. Transformed in ourselves, as we realize all of the things that we are capable of doing, all of the gifts that we each have - gifts and talents given to us by a loving God and which He will empower us to use through the power and the working of His Holy Spirit. Transformed in our prayer lives, as the Spirit helps us to pray, understanding our weakness and preventing our prayers from degenerating into mechanical drudgery or powerless routine. And transformed too in our worship and as we experience in that worship the presence of the Lord Jesus himself, amongst us and with us as we meet.

As the early church shows us, a church that is alive to the presence and power of the Holy Spirit will very quickly become something incredibly special. Something strong and something provocative to all of those around it. I believe too, that on a personal and individual level, where we are open to the work of the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives, our lives will be transformed, changed, and so enriched as we are drawn increasingly into the likeness of Christ.

In the season of Pentecost let me encourage all of us to pray and to ask God to make the power of the Holy Spirit come alive in our lives, and let's pray too that God will use each of us through that power as well.

With my prayers for you all.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John'.

## Services in June 2023

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June

### TRINITY SUNDAY

9.00am

**Holy Communion (BCP)**

2 Corinthians 13: 11-14;  
Matthew 28: 6-20

10.30am

**Morning Praise**

2 Corinthians 13: 11 – 14;  
Matthew 28: 16 - 20

6.00pm

### **Open to God**

*A quiet and reflective service for the end of the day*

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June

### The First Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

**Holy Communion (BCP)**

Romans 4: 13-25; Matthew 9: 9-13  
and 18-26

10.30am

**Holy Communion (CW)**

Romans 4: 13-25; Matthew 9: 9-13,  
and 18-26

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June

### The Second Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

**Holy Communion (BCP)**

Romans 5: 1 - 8; Matthew 9: 35 - 10: 8

10.30am

**Morning Praise**

Romans 5: 1 - 8; Matthew 9: 35 - 10: 8

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June

### The Third Sunday after Trinity

9.00am

**Holy Communion (BCP)**

Romans 6: 1b-11; Matthew 10: 24-39

10.30am

**Holy Communion (CW)**

**With prayer for healing and wholeness**

Romans 6: 1b-11; Matthew 10: 24-39

## **NOTICE BOARD for June**

**Meeting Point Coffee Morning** will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June in Hapstead Small Hall from 10.15 to 11.30. All are welcome. Help is appreciated in setting up tables etc.



### **PLANT SALE**

Jean Jeffery is growing plants again this year and is planning to sell them outside St Peter's Centre after the morning service on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June. All proceeds will go to St Peter's.

### **Ardingly Evening W.I**

15<sup>th</sup> June 7.15 for 7.30

"The History of Chailey Heritage."

### **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES**

Thank you, Box Holders, for your generosity in helping to raise money for this worthy cause. This year we have managed to raise £481.76, which is a little more than last year. Thank you again.

Jean & Tony Jeffery



### **British Heart Foundation LONDON TO BRIGHTON BIKE RIDE Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

The London to Brighton Bike Ride, from Clapham Common to Brighton Beachfront, is the oldest in Europe and seems to get bigger every year. Everyone taking part is helping to fund life-saving research into heart and circulatory diseases, and thanks to this research, deaths from these causes have halved in the last 50 years. Details haven't yet been posted on the website, but the B2028 will probably be one way only, Southbound, from 0600 to 1700 hours that day.

# WARDEN'S WORDS

## Big Help Out

We would like to thank all those who came to St Peter's on Coronation Monday and gave of their time and energy to help tidy the appearance of church property -the churchyard, graveyard and Centre. We are very grateful for everyone who cleared the weeds, scraped and swept the paths, trimmed the brambles, clipped the hedges, dug out the invasive vegetation, tidied the graves and mowed the grass -and all done with great willing and cheerfulness, which made the afternoon so enjoyable. We were delighted to welcome you to tea and refreshments afterwards in the Centre. You certainly earned it! Thank you all so much.



*John and Nigel*

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*Did you know that you can light a candle in church, maybe in memory of someone or just to help some quiet reflection or meditation? The church is open daily, from 10 am to 5pm.*

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**PICTURES:** Just a reminder that most pictures in the magazine are in colour but printed in black and white. To see them in colour, go to the magazine on our website: [www.ardinglychurch.org.uk](http://www.ardinglychurch.org.uk)

## **NEWS FROM HEATHER JOHNSTONE IN TANZANIA (CMS)**



Dear friends,

We hit the ground running at the start of the year and have been busy, not only with customers, but also getting essential maintenance and repair work done, as well as some renovations, as three years of not doing any upkeep had taken its toll on our outdoor cafe. 2023 is looking brighter and the cafe is doing considerably better than we were doing a year ago, or indeed since way before the global pandemic began, which is a real blessing, although we're not out of the woods just yet.

Currently we work when we have customers, which is usually Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, but if there's a demand we'll open when it suits our customers as we can be completely flexible. We've had many visitors from all over the world and it has been a delight to welcome them, but I would love to share with you the visits of two sets of Rehema friends who also have very big prayer requests.

The founders and inspiration behind the Rehema Project are Jono and Amy Vink. Their eldest daughter, Lili, is now 22 years old and recently got married. She and her husband visited Musoma so he could see where she spent 12 years of her life up until the age of 15. The Rehema women were delighted to see her again and of course, a second wedding celebration was planned and hosted by the ladies. The food was paid for by Amy and Jono. A wonderful day was had by all.

We have more recently, however, had bad news from Australia. Amy's health has deteriorated. She was first diagnosed with cancer 14 years ago and she has just learned that it has spread to the liver. We had a prayer time every week, praying for Amy and anyone else who is struggling with illness at this time. If you'd like us to pray for you, just let me know. Amy asks that we pray that a treatment option be found, and although she is deeply grateful to God for the time he has already given her, she asks for more time.



It was also wonderful to welcome the Stensland family to the cafe after an absence of six years. They were committed Rehema supporters and would regularly travel from their Lutheran mission 40 minutes away to have some relaxation time at the cafe with their four children. Julian, their youngest son, is now 12 and he has been diagnosed with Batten disease, which has links to dementia – it has already taken so much from him (he is blind) and is diminishing him every day.

I was blessed recently to have [my colleague] Cesi's three young daughters pay me a visit at my home. They arranged and planned it, and although it was with the consent and oversight of a parent, they came on their own. They brought their schoolbooks so I could see how they were getting on. We had a tea party and lots of laughs and then went shopping for mosquito nets to cover their shared bed. At the end of the visit, they were whisked off on their motorbike taxi which is driven by my friend Edwin.

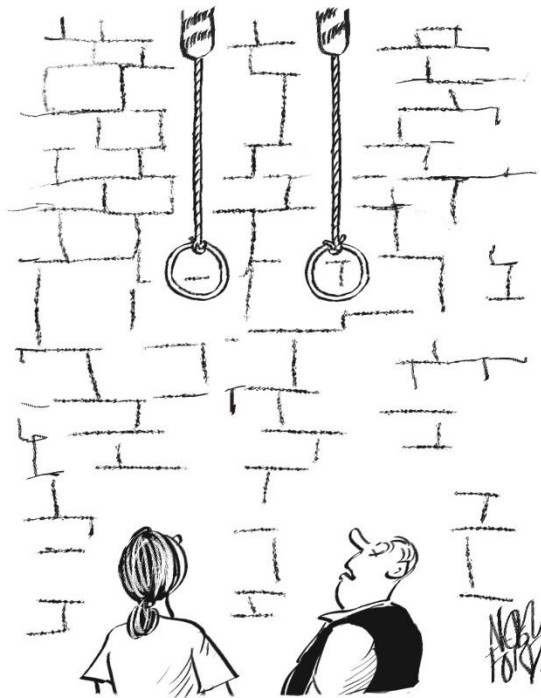
Our cafe manager, Grace, had a baby girl almost two months ago. She's back at work, and the baby sleeps in the workshop (where I'm based) so as I type this missive, it is to the sweet sound of a baby sucking her fingers. Her name is Lightness.



I've said this often before, but living and working here I am reminded time and time again of what a great provider our Father is. Often there are circumstances that seem hopeless or problems that seem insurmountable, but we can take comfort in the knowledge that we can come to him with every need, concern, or worry we have, and no matter how small or large our issue, he knows what is going on in our lives and he provides for us. Sometimes there are situations that seem quite bleak, but the Lord God is a great, big God and he has a habit of making beautiful things happen and he delivers. He is always with us regardless of what we are going through, and he encourages us to share our physical, spiritual and emotional needs with him.

I am also extremely grateful for the numerous and wonderful Rehema cohorts who support our project and numerous women and children in so many ways. We give thanks that the Rehema team were able to receive an Easter hamper of 5kg rice, 1kg meat, 1kg vegetables and a small cash contribution. Maria and Christina, two young girls from difficult backgrounds, are being sponsored to attend a vocational sewing school, and Grace Salama, a young orphan, is being sponsored to attend boarding school. Grace Jonas, a young deaf girl, received a gift of a sewing machine so she can start her own small business at home. We received financial contributions towards the repairs and maintenance work at Rehema; mosquito nets have been provided for families, helping to protect them; and so much more.

May God bless you richly.  
Heather



"Apparently, the new member of the bell-ringing team is a keen gymnast"

## FSW May 2023 update

Dear Friends,



It has been a year now since our new practitioners joined and grew the team to 20. The time has flown by and we have been able to support so many more families – in fact, in our last financial year we directly supported over 600 families. 5 years ago that number was 148 so it is really encouraging to see how much we have grown during this period. Sadly we are currently having to turn some families away as we simply do not have space either on current caseloads or on waiting lists – we hate to do this but we need to keep our practitioners' caseloads manageable. So please do pray for all our staff and the families in need of support. We will work with them as soon as we can.

Behind the scenes things have been very busy. We have recruited two members of staff to support the volunteer and community engagement aspects of our work, one for each half of the county. This will hopefully bring new volunteers to FSW who can help practitioners with group activities as well as one-to-one support, as well as increasing the number of volunteers to help in our Eastbourne shop and the fundraising team.



Our foodbank is still very low on all items with the exception of teabags and pasta, so if you are able to help us replenish our stock levels we would be incredibly grateful. We are in particular need of tinned meats, soup, baked beans, tinned vegetables and cleaning products.

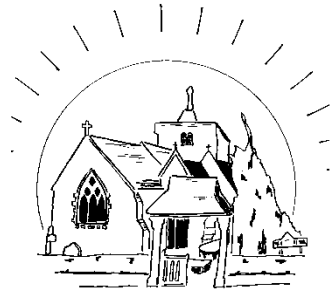
Open Garden season is in full swing now. It would be lovely to see you at some of them. \*

### **Nikki Kerr, FSW Director of Fundraising and Marketing**

\* *Luctons, in West Hoathly, will be open from 1-5pm on 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> June. The address is North Lane, West Hoathly, RH19 4PP.*

## **Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parochial Church meeting**

The annual church meetings were held on 16 May 2023 at the Church Centre with 16 parishioners in attendance.



### **Annual Parish Meeting**

The purpose of the Annual Parish Meeting is to elect the Church wardens. Nigel Cheater and John Witherington were thanked for all their service and hard work over the past year. Both Nigel and John had agreed to stand for re-election to the post of Church Wardens and those present were unanimously agreed to their election.

### **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

The purpose of the APCM is to receive reports on general parish activities and financial matters. The annual meeting also elects new members to the PCC and to deanery synod every three years. The reports and Trustees' reports and financial statements had been made available online and in church before the meeting.

The meeting thanked all those who help run the church and manage the finances, buildings, and facilities. Rev John Crutchley was thanked for all his hard work in delivering mission to the parish and for all the work that goes into preparing services, which is much appreciated.

The meeting unanimously voted to elect the following to serve on the PCC:

Nigel Cheater  
Glynis Doerr  
Mervyn James  
Gina Paul  
Deb Ruse  
Jill Veasey

The financial statements show a small deficit for the year. It was noted that St. Peter's had survived the effects of COVID reasonably well, though caution was expressed over rising costs, particularly regarding utility costs. The parishioners at St. Peter's are generous in their giving and were thanked for their support especially those who gave via the Parish Giving Scheme. This method of giving collects donations and Gift Aid, if applicable, on behalf of the church. This method allows the cash flow to be predictable and regular, which helps in the day to day running of church affairs.

The Trustees' reports and financial statements together with sub-committee reports are available in full on the church website at [www.ardinglychurch.org.uk/news/apcm-2023](http://www.ardinglychurch.org.uk/news/apcm-2023)

Details of the Parish Giving Scheme can be found at [www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/ardingly-brighton/](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/ardingly-brighton/)

Jane Taylor Cheater  
Secretary to the PCC

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## **REPAIR CAFÉ DATES**



### **Lindfield Repair Café**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 10.00am - 1.00pm  
United Reform Church, 52 High Street, Lindfield

### **Forest Row Repair Café June**

Saturday 17th June 2023  
The Community Centre, Forest Row, RH18 5DZ. 10am-1.00pm

### **Crawley Down & Turner's Hill Repair Café**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 10.30-12.30  
The Glebe Centre, Crawley Down

## NEWS FROM S.E. ASIA

Dear friends,



Just a few more weeks to go before we go on Home Assignment. Time flies so fast with so many things still

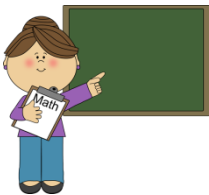
to do before we go... We are thankful that a family can stay at our house when we are away.

Bible studies and language learning came to an abrupt halt when my teacher had to move out of town to avoid debt collectors. She got hospitalized a couple of weeks ago and went back to her mum's house to recuperate and for Eid.

Many local women are from poor families and struggle with their children's health and education. There are government programs that give them free health care and even free education but they struggle because basic documents such as birth certificates or health cards are not in place. One 17-year old girl with inflammation of the gall bladder is sick but at first could not go to hospital because they thought her health card was missing.

Two weeks ago I went with the women to invite some even poorer women to join us in breaking the Ramadan fast. It was an opportunity to give them some basic food stuff and ask them what fasting means for them. Many of them said that they fast to fulfil their religious obligations. None said that it is to get closer to God.

A couple of local blind believers are expecting a baby. It is hard to imagine how to take care of a baby as blind people. Please pray that the Lord will send them a seeing woman who can help the mother care for the baby.



A still has a month of teaching work. It has been a challenge teaching an unfamiliar subject but PTL that's done now and he's just teaching subjects that he has taught before.

Our son is coming to the end of his time with the Orientation School. He has just got his driving licence and this month he will visit the university where he might study. He will lead his team from the Orientation School on a mission trip to Armenia for about 3 weeks in June.

Our daughter was with us for a month during her Easter break. She did her written school leaving exam in February and is preparing for her oral exams at the end of May/beginning of June. We will attend her high school graduation and a week later we will go to Europe for Home Assignment. We plan to return here at the end of October, provided we get all our clearances (medical, finance, team).



Thank you for journeying with us in prayer the past few years. The Lord is doing things and we hope to see more fruit.

In His grace,  
**B & A**

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## **RECYCLING TEXTILES**

*Have you ever wondered how to dispose of that tatty curtain or suit? Read on!*

If your clothes or textiles are beyond repair or reuse, don't put them in landfill - take them to your local textile bank or recycling centre [Burgess Hill or East Grinstead]. Items from textiles banks are collected and sorted. Clothes and shoes that still have some life left in them will be sorted and sent for reuse (90%). Old, well-worn or torn textiles will be recycled by shredding.



They are then used to manufacture a range of cleaning cloths, flock rags and felt materials used in automotive sound proofing and mattress stuffing (10%). Unfortunately, textile banks can't accept pillows, duvets, carpets or rugs.

*(from West Sussex Recycles)*

## Ardingly Connected Together – Coronation Weekend

What an amazing time we had in the village, celebrating the Coronation of King Charles 111. It was great to see so many groups and individuals in the village joining together to provide entertainment and events for everyone to participate. Ardingly Connected Together was proud to be part of this veritable cornucopia of events!

First, we had the Bonfire-BBQ -Bar on Saturday evening. After a daytime of rain, it was a relief to see the clouds lifting even a little and allowing the BBQ and bonfire to go ahead. Families of all ages came to join in the festivities (and enjoy the free burgers and sausages!) as the celebratory weekend began.



Coronation Service on the Rec. Photo by Jane Cheater

Sunday afternoon's picnic led seamlessly into an incredible musical event – a real treat! Such talent was on display! Not one but TWO bands made their debut, with the amazing Ross Grillo providing tuition and support for the bands and giving us an individual set himself as well!!

Monday afternoon saw teams of people joining in the Big Clean Up – and didn't the village look great afterwards?

Sunday morning brought a special commemorative service on the recreation ground before we moved into an afternoon 'bring and share' picnic. Tables were groaning under the weight of cakes at the start of the picnic: suffice to say, this was not the case by the end of the afternoon.



Tea at St Peter's Centre, Big Clean Up Day  
Photo by Jane Cheater



ACT continues to provide support to families who need a helping hand at this difficult financial time. If you or someone you know could do with some help, do please let us know.

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## St Peter's C.E. School

Our sporting prowess has been on display recently! We were really grateful for the sunshine when we had our 'Festival of Sport', involving all our pupils. The opportunities to enjoy tennis, dance, skipping and cricket were embraced enthusiastically and working



with experienced coaches was a real treat for children and staff alike. As well as our own Festival of Sport, children were able to take part in tennis festivals, organised and based at Warden Park Academy. Preparations for Wimbledon are obviously well under way.....



Away from the sports fields and tennis courts, year 6 pupils had the national assessment tests, SATs. It was no surprise to anyone that our children took these tests in their stride, demonstrating the resilience and positivity that has been key to their education within St Peter's. As they move towards the next stage of their education and head to secondary education, we are so proud of what they have already achieved and the young people they have grown into during the years they have spent at St Peter's.

If you would like to play a part in the life of this lovely school in the centre of our village, there are exciting opportunities to be part of St Peter's School. We are currently looking to fill two vacancies on our governing body, one a parent governor and one co-opted governor. If you would be interested in joining the governing body, please do contact Mrs Kathryn James, Chair of Governors, or Ms Gina Griffin in the school office.



## AROUND THE VILLAGE

### UK's largest outdoor art installation at Wakehurst

Since 18<sup>th</sup> May the Grade 1 listed Elizabethan Mansion at Wakehurst has been home to one of the UK's largest outdoor art installations – the size of 25 double decker buses!

Whilst the mansion undergoes an extensive roof restoration, Wakehurst have commissioned the creation of '**Planet Wakehurst**'. This is a bespoke photo montage by the Australian-born artist, Catherine Nelson. It is on a huge canvas, stretching over 1550 square metres around 3 sides of the mansion. It uses photography of plants from across the 535-acre site and is a celebration of Wakehurst's biodiversity, from the colourful blooms of the abundant Water Gardens to the towering Giant Redwoods of California in Horsebridge Wood.



Installation took 6 days, using sustainably-sourced and weatherproof fabric which will be recycled at the end of the display.

Visitors can see Wakehurst from a whole new perspective from a 33ft viewing platform.

## **Thank you to SOAS!**

Thank you to the South of England Showground for helping us all out while Street Lane was closed for road works last month. Their grounds team opened up White Gate (by the Church) and South Gate (on Selsfield Road) for car access from 8.30 to 5pm for the duration of the roadworks. Their help was greatly appreciated by everyone!

## **An Angel at the reservoir**

*The following was posted on the "Spotted: Crawley" section of Facebook on 17<sup>th</sup> May:*

I would just like to say a massive Thank you to an Angel that saved my brother's life today (Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May). He was sat on a bench at Ardingly Reservoir, planning to take his life, when an elderly lady with a small dog came and sat beside him, and began talking to him. This was enough to reconnect my brother to the present moment; he was able to drive home, where I met him after his wife called me saying he had left her a goodbye message.

**So thank you, whoever you are - as far as this family is concerned you are an Angel.**

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## **Right or Wrong?**

A student named 'Wright', so they say,  
Wrote 'right' in a wrong kind of way.  
His teacher, inflamed,  
Then loudly exclaimed  
"Right Wright - write 'right', right away!"

*By Nigel Beeton*

## Ardingly Parish Council



Following the local government elections on 4 May, 2023, a new Parish Council was formed. Eleven new councillors were elected and plan to serve the village for the next four years. We have already started planning the projects that we think will benefit the village as well continuing with the projects already underway. Our first meeting took place on 16 May, when the Chair and Vice Chair were elected – Margaret Meldrum and David Port respectively – along with membership of the various committees and working parties.

On 23 May, the Annual Parish Meeting will take place in Hapstead Hall at 7.30pm. This is your opportunity to meet the new Parish Council, hear what has been happening over the past year and what we plan, going forward into next year. Do join us, come with your questions and views, and help us formulate our priorities.

Kathy James (Acting Clerk)

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The new list of Councillors is as follows:

Cllr Nicky Brown  
Cllr Rowena Chalk  
Cllr Clive Guy  
Cllr James Horsman  
Cllr Chris Hotblack  
Cllr Margaret Meldrum (Chair)  
Cllr Will Meldrum  
Cllr David Port (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Roy Simmonds  
Cllr Brian Strutton  
Cllr Dale West

Kathryn James (Acting Clerk)  
Richard Wheatley (Responsible Finance Officer)

## NOT TOO SERIOUSLY .....



Eight-year-old Susie came home from school and informed her mother that today in class they had learned how to make babies. The mother, rather shaken by the news, called the teacher to complain.

After listening to the mother complain for a few minutes, the teacher responded, "Did you ask her to explain how it is done?"

"No," said the mother.

"Then ask her and call me back," replied the teacher.

"So how DO you make babies?" the mother asked her daughter.

Susie responded, "You drop the 'y' and add 'ies.'"

One day a housework-challenged husband decided to wash his sweatshirt.



Seconds after he stepped into the laundry room, he shouted to his wife, "What setting do I use on the washing machine?"

"It depends," she replied. "What does it say on your shirt?"

He yelled back, "Manchester United."

A teacher gave her class of 7 year old pupils a lesson on the magnet and what it does. The next day, in a written test, she included this question:

"My full name has six letters. The first one is M. I am strong and attractive. I pick up things. What am I?"

When the test papers were handed in, the teacher was astonished to find that almost 50% of the pupils had answered the question with the word "Mother."



# Parish Register

The funeral of Alice Mary Lovejoy of Priceholme, Ardingly who died 10<sup>th</sup> April 2023 aged 96 years was held at The Surrey & Sussex Crematorium on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Lily Ann McCulloch of Price Way, Ardingly, was baptized at St. Peter's on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023.

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*Lord,  
Help me to live this day  
QUIETLY, EASILY.  
To lean upon Your great strength,  
TRUSTFULLY, RESTFULLY,  
To wait for the unfolding of Your will,  
PATIENTLY, SERENELY.  
To meet others  
PEACEFULLY, JOYOUSLY.  
To face tomorrow  
CONFIDENTLY, COURAGEOUSLY*

*(St Francis of Assisi)*

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## **Flower Rota**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Belinda  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Belinda  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Pat and Sheila

## **Meeting Point**

5<sup>th</sup> June: Jill, Deb and Sue  
19<sup>th</sup> June: Belinda, Alison and Dilys



## General Information

**ANGELS & URCHINS:** At St Peter's Centre on Thursdays, 9-11.00 during term time. Contact Jill Veasey (892442).

**BELL RINGING:** If you are interested in joining the team of bell ringers please contact Lynn Wilson (892113)

**BIBLE READING NOTES:** Regular reading helps us to grow as Christians. Bible Reading Fellowship notes are available from Glynis Doerr (892431). Email: [glynismdoerr@gmail.com](mailto:glynismdoerr@gmail.com)

**BOOKS** can be borrowed from the back of church, free of charge

**BRASS CLEANING:** Help with brass cleaning is always welcome. Contact Adele Collins (892189)

**BRASS RUBBING:** Appointments may be made via the Churchwardens (John 892277 or Nigel 892769). Fee: £10.00

**FLOWERS:** Belinda Maclean (892368) is always glad to hear from anyone who would like to arrange/give flowers for the decoration of the church.

**GIVING:** Special weekly or monthly envelopes or bankers' order forms are available from Jean Jeffery (415317). It is also possible to donate on our website. Anyone paying income tax or capital gains tax is encouraged to sign a Gift Aid declaration which would enable the church to claim tax (currently 25 %) on all their giving. Please make cheques out to *St Peter's Church, Ardingly*.

**HOME GROUPS** meet for bible study, prayer and fellowship on various afternoons/nights of the week. New members are always very welcome. Contact: John Witherington (892277)

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## PRAYER DIARY JUNE 2023



*"Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests." (Ephesians 6 v 18)*

- 1 John and Sally and their family
- 2 The situation in Ukraine, Sudan and the Middle East
- 3 King Charles and all the Royal Family
- 4** Our services today. Pray God's blessing on St Peter's
- 5 Our village schools and all children taking exams this month
- 6 Christians who are suffering for their faith
- 7 Heather Johnstone and her work in Tanzania
- 8 The NHS and all who work in it
- 9 Our Prime Minister and government; current industrial disputes
- 10 The South of England Show, taking place this weekend
- 11** Our services today. Pray for growth and renewal
- 12 The Parish Council and its newly elected members
- 13 Climate change and countries suffering from its effects
- 14 Local Hospices and Care Homes; all who live and work in them
- 15 All people/charities/churches suffering from the economic situation
- 16 Give thanks for Wakehurst and pray for all who work there
- 17 Safety and fun for the London to Brighton bike ride tomorrow
- 18** Our services today. Give thanks and pray for the church family
- 19 Belinda Maclean and all that she does
- 20 Refugees and all Aid Workers around the world
- 21 The Children's Society & other organisations which support children
- 22 International Day of Prayer for the Emergency Services
- 23 Cross-Channel trafficking and care for migrants
- 24 Armed Forces Day. Pray for serving members/veterans/families
- 25** Our services today. Pray that God's kingdom may grow
- 26 Prison Fellowship; pray for all who live and work in prisons
- 27 All who suffer from abuse or addiction
- 28 AOJA and the work of the clinic in the Gambia
- 29 Milan and Shusma and the work of the Anaandit Church in Nepal
- 30 Praise God for his creation and for new life

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