

St Richard's Crowborough – News update 24 April 2022

Sunday 24 April 2022

Joint APCM service at All Saints – (Please note time - 10.30am)

with All Saints Kids (ASK) together

(Mark Rapley leading with Steve Rees preaching)

Sunday evening service at All Saints, 6.30pm – *Without him they caught nothing - John 21:1-14* come along to All Saints Church or tune in to their Live Stream for the evening service: *allsaintscrowborough.org/live*

CHURCH NEWS AND COMING UP...

HOPE **EXPLORED**

Hope Explored Course – A new 3 week course starts soon!

Mondays 30 May, 6 & 13 June 7.45pm at St Richard's church.

Hope Explored does not require a huge time commitment from guests and is one of the easiest ways to introduce someone to Christianity. The Christianity Explored series can then be run as a follow-up course for those eager to explore the Christian faith more. The course looks at the life, death and resurrection of Jesus in Luke's Gospel, this three-session series shows that Christianity is about real hope: a joyful expectation for the future, based on true events in the past, which changes everything about my present. **Please contact Trish to book a place: 01892 611318**

- Pastoral Surgery A key aspect of church life is our spiritual health and wellbeing. As part of this Mark has set up our "Pastoral Surgery" where we can book a slot via Trish. Initially on Tuesday evenings 7:45pm and 8:30pm (Mark's home or yours) and Thursday afternoons 1:30pm, 2:15pm and 4pm at St Richards lounge. A time to share, for prayer and fellowship.
- Weekly lunchtime prayers at St Richard's Wednesday 27 April 12.00-12.45pm. A time of fellowship around God's word and prayer. Join with us to pray for our church, our community and the world.
- Southern Women's Convention 'Thrive' at All Saints Saturday 11 June 9.30am 3.30pm. In a day of teaching, fellowship, worship and seminars, we will be taken on a whistle-stop tour of the book of James. Our main speaker Lizzy Smallwood will be speaking about the 'spiritual heart surgery' we all need in order to truly thrive! For more detail or to book a place: https://allsaintscrowborough.churchsuite.com/events/9bzn3gmp
- Home group leaders meeting This Monday, 25 April at 7.45pm at all Saints downstairs hall.about my present. Please contact Trish to book a place: 01892 611318

Covid-19 - With the relaxing of Covid measures, what remains is our overriding principle of love and concern for others, especially those who feel less confident and more vulnerable than we might. So, we continue to encourage the use of **hand sanitiser** which you'll find at the doors, and we will keep the **building ventilated** as much as is reasonably possible. If you have the **symptoms** of covid, as with any illness, please stay at home and where appropriate test yourself.

OTHER NEWS...

Passion for Life (PfL) prayers this week. PfL is an initiative linking UK evangelical churches, as they proclaim the good news of Jesus in their communities over the coming months. This week, please pray:

Week 32

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the messenger who brings good news, the good news of peace and salvation, the news that the God of Israel reigns! The watchmen shout and sing with joy, for before their very eyes they see the Lord returning to Jerusalem. Let the ruins of Jerusalem break into joyful song, for the Lord has comforted his people. He has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has demonstrated his holy power before the eyes of all the nations. All the ends of the earth will see the victory of our God. Isaiah 52:7-10

Lord God

You have given us the wonderful privilege of being able to bring the good news of Jesus to those around us. This Easter, please give us opportunities to speak of your saving grace and your amazing love and forgiveness, that bring comfort and joy to all who receive it. We thank you that one day the whole earth will see the victory of our God.

We give glory to you Lord Jesus

Amen

To pray for:

- Spend some time in grateful thanks to Jesus for his amazing sacrifice that brings us forgiveness, freedom, peace and life in all its fullness. Pray for opportunities to bring this good news to others this week.
- Give thanks for our leaders. Pray for them as they lead the church family faithfully and set an example for spreading the good news.
- Pray for our Hope Explored course (30 May, 6, & 13 June at St Richard's) That friends and family we ask will say yes to coming and finding out more about Jesus.

Next Sunday – 1 May 2022

Morning service – (with Creche, Sunday Club & Lasers)

(David Buck preaching & Abi Lattimer leading)