

"From Christ the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love as each part does it's work." Eph 4:16

WELCOME to St Richard's Crowborough News update 16 April 2023

Sunday 16 April 2023 – Morning service 10.45am

(with Creche, Sunday Club & Lasers!)

Luke 24: 13-35 The Emmaus road

(Mark Rapley preaching & Andrew Nicholls leading)

Evening service at All Saints, 6.30pm

Come along to All Saints Church or tune in to their Live Stream for the evening service:

1 Corinthians 15:20-34 - So we will definitely rise from the dead allsaintscrowborough.org/live

CHURCH NEWS...

- **PRAYER: Weekly lunchtime prayers at St Richard's – Wednesday 19 April 12.00 – 12.45pm**
A time of fellowship around God's word and prayer. Join with us as we think through what we heard on Sunday in the service and to pray for the Church of England, our church, our community, the churches in Crowborough and the world.
- **Keeping Faith – compelled to resist** - Please consider signing the CEEC Declaration here. <https://declaration.ceec.info/> taking a stand for the biblical teaching of marriage. If you do not have access to a computer then contact Trish at The church office: 01892 611318.
- **Big Church Festival** (previously Big Church Day Out) Sat 27 - Sun 28 May 2023, a great family day/weekend, a Christian Festival of Worship and Fun in West Sussex. Use this link to access our group booking page offering discounts <https://bigchurch.group/2023/all-saints-crowborough>
Mark is on the 'crew' for the fireworks Sunday evening, so it's worth coming for that!
- **A huge thank you!** to the flower arranging team for assembling such beautiful arrangements to help us worship our Creator and Saviour over Easter.
- **Home group leaders meeting** – This Monday 17th April at 7.30pm in the All Saints downstairs Rooms

- **FEST 2023 – Date for your diary 23rd-25th June 2023**

Over the weekend of 23rd – 25th June the church families of St Richards and All Saints are invited to relocate to a campsite near Halland for Fest 2023. Enjoy a weekend away under canvas or in a caravan to worship, share fellowship, play games and get to know people. You don't have to camp though, "day visitors" are also welcome, but booking is essential! Watch this space for when the booking lines will be open. Oh, and meals are included in the price.

Can you help? Let Mark or Trish know if any of the following are you...

Would you like to stay the whole event but don't have camping equipment?

Would you like to go but would appreciate help with the cost? – (we don't actually know the cost yet)

Do you have camping equipment (tent etc.) that you would be happy for someone else to borrow?

Would you like to sponsor an individual/family to go?

Opportunities to learn and grow in your faith!

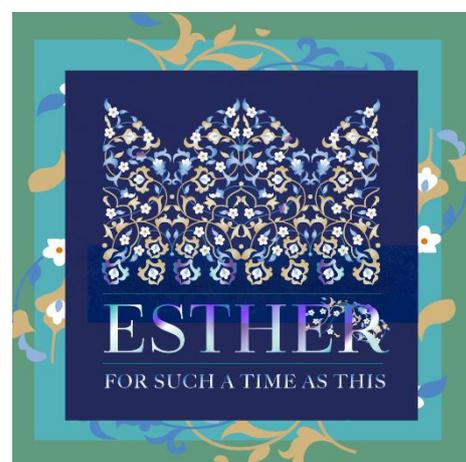
- **Southern Women's Convention 2023**

This year's SGP Southern Women's Convention is on **Saturday 10th June 2023 at All Saints Crowborough**, with guest speaker Charlotte Cornes. A day of teaching, fellowship, worship and seminars, through which we will be taken through the unique Old Testament book of Esther as we reflect upon "For such a time as this".

Bookings open on Monday 27th February via this link:

<https://allsaintscrowborough.churchsuite.com/events/spp5yekg>

or contact All Saints office on 01892 652081



- **HOPE EXPLORED - Our next evening course at St Richard's starts on Tuesday 18 April 2023 - 7.45pm**

This is an informal and relaxed three-week course.

It's for anyone who wants to find hope, peace and purpose in life.

It's run by ordinary Christian people local to you and it's completely free. You don't need to know anything about the Bible, and you won't be asked to pray or sing. You can just sit and listen.

Whoever you are, whatever you're thinking, Hope Explored is a place for you to discover the hope of a future that is better than you could ever imagine.

For more information or **to book onto a course** please contact the church office on 01892 611318 or by email: st-richardsoffice@gmail.com



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To book or for more info contact
John johngriffiths@capjobclubs.org
or **Trish** 01892 611318

- **Foodbank** If you would like to bring items along the current Foodbank wish list is below, and for their full list of acceptable items check out:

<https://crowborough.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>



This week's Top 10 items

Gluten free Products	Long-life semi skimmed/whole milk
Vegan Products (esp tinned beans)	500g packets rice
Washing up liquid	Washing up liquid
Breakfast cereals	Toilet rolls
Pasta sauces	Baby top to toe wash

Next Sunday 23 April 2023
Joint service - APCM at All Saints – 10.30am
(Steve Rees preaching & Mark Rapley leading)

Going for Growth

Please Pray:

- Give thanks that the Diocese have responded to the letter Steve sent last week informing them of our intentions; that the letter arrived, was opened and read by those who can action the letters' request.
- Pray for the next stage of the response, which as we have been informed is the Diocesan Board of Finance looking into the legalities of the sites ownership, amongst other things, from which further decisions, advice and actions can be taken. There has been no further response to date.
- Pray for the formation/creation of the G4G Project's 'teams' and the creation of a clear brief for each sub-committee.
- Pray that the mission and ministry of St Richards will not be eclipsed and unity maintained.
- Continue to pray for the neighbourhood and community we serve.
- Pray for Steve Rees, Mark and all those in the ministry team and their families who work to serve both All Saints and St. Richard's so faithfully.
- Finally remember to pray for one another.