

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Eph 3: 20-21

WELCOME to St Richard's News update 21 April 2024

Sunday 21 April 2024

Lord's supper - 10.45am

(with Crèche & Sunday Club! Lasers in the main service)

Ephesians 1:15-23 Know God's plan – A prayer for eyes enlightened

(Steve Rees preaching & Lord's supper, & Trish Scobell leading)

Notices!

- **The Annual Church Parochial Meeting (APCM)**



The Annual Church Parochial Meeting (APCM) for 2024 will be held at All Saints Church on Sunday 28th April at 10.30am, as part of a service combining the 9.15, 10.45 and 10.45 St Richard's services. It will begin with the Meeting for Election of Churchwardens, open to all residents of the parish, and continue to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, open to all on the church Electoral Roll. If you would like to nominate someone for the position of Churchwarden or PCC Representative, please do so by 24th April using the correct form, sending either the paper form (via the All Saints Church office pigeonhole) or a scanned signed copy, to the PCC secretary Suzanne Hall suzanne.hall@allsaintscrowborough.org If you would like to ask a question at the meeting, please submit it in writing by Sunday 21st April to Suzanne Hall. Notices of the meetings, together with copies of forms and the revised Electoral Roll are on the board and desk in the entrance hall of S Richard's.

- **BBQ lunch with The BeeHive - Saturday 11th May**

We are all invited to a BBQ/Lunch at Andrew & June's to meet Alan & Jane Hutt from The Beehive when they will be able to update us as to what is happening at The Beehive,. There will be the usual sign-up sheet in the hall and June will have invitations with their address and time. There will be no charge for food, but we hope you will make a donation for The Beehive our `mission partners.



What's on this week...

- **MONDAYS: Southern Crowborough "A Walk in the Park"- 9.30-10.30am**
Reaching out to the community with fitness & friendship. We meet in Adam's close cul-de-sac.
Why not bring a friend along!
- **MONDAYS: Men's Sausage Roll Club**
If you're free on Monday mornings and would benefit from good company and conversation, then why not join this group. They meet in various places so for more information and the latest rendezvous have a chat with John Wayte.
- **MONDAYS: Southern Crowborough Craft Group - 2-4pm every Monday.**
A craft group for anyone who likes to chat over coffee and crafting - meets in the lounge at St Richard's. **Why not bring a friend along?** For more info chat to Rosemary Longley.
- **TUESDAYS: Little Seeds Toddler Group 10am – 12pm**
Our toddler group meets at St Richards during term time from 10am till 12noon. A welcoming meeting place for parents and carers to socialise and bring their little ones to enjoy playing and organised activities. For more info chat to Sarah Bell and Laura Rapley.
- **TUESDAYS: Youth:  (F-Y2)  (Y3-Y6) at All Saints**
During term time we partner with All Saints in their youth groups. Meeting from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. Hero's meets in the Parish Halls Adventurers in the downstairs hall accessed from the back of All Saints church. For more info email Sarah Thrift sarah@allsaintscrowborough.org
- **WEDNESDAYS: Midday prayer at St Richard's – 12noon to 1pm**
Join with us as we think through what we heard on Sunday and to pray for our church, the community of southern Crowborough, the churches in Crowborough, the CofE and the world.
- **FRIDAYS – Ladies bible study at St Richard's from 10:15am**
An hour together to grow in faith and enrich our bible knowledge. Speak to Trish if you think you'd like to join us!
- **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. Slots are available Monday evenings from 7.45pm and Thursday afternoons 1.45pm and 4pm at St Richard's lounge. A time to chat through things, share time in prayer and fellowship, whatever may be helpful for you.

Opportunities to learn and grow in your faith!

Bible overview course

What can really help our bible study is a framework that covers the whole bible. One way of creating that is through being part of an interactive course group. At St Richards we run [The Bible Course](#) created by the Bible Society it is an eight-session course helping us explore the BIG story.



“Big, complex, old ... just some of the words people use to describe the Bible”. Sound familiar? That’s where *The Bible Course* comes in. The course will increase your confidence, equip you to read the Bible better and help you to see its relevance to daily life. The course provides a birds-eye view of the world’s bestselling book. Over eight interactive sessions, it combines video teaching, group discussion and personal reflection and daily readings. If you would like to be part of our next course have a chat with Trish or Mark.

Conferences

St Richards is the local expression of God’s people, yet remember we are part of God’s global people, and meeting up with other believers is a huge encouragement!

Southern Women’s Convention

8th June at All Saints

9.30am – 4.15pm

Please book soon to avoid disappointment!



A better Story, Talks from Hebrews with speaker Kimberly Davis. In a day of teaching, fellowship, worship and seminars, we will be taken through the book of Hebrews; seeing how God’s story was fulfilled through the person of Jesus Christ. Even in the midst of life’s storms, God reminds us that His story is perfectly written for us!

For more info and to book, [click here](#), or contact Trish at

the church office 01892 611318

Opportunities to serve our local community

As a church we like to encourage, engage and be a benefit to the communities around Southern Crowborough. With the potential for many new people moving into our area, our desire is to create ways in which they can connect and network. Below are the upcoming opportunities we are all encouraged to get involved with and if you’ve got an idea let us know!

Crowborough Community Pantry

Crowborough Community Pantry is open to anyone, the food is free although a small donation is appreciated as it which helps towards the rent and running costs of the premises.



Located around the corner from St Richards **Beechview Parade, Walshes Road, TN6 3RA.**

Mondays: 10.00am until 11.00am,

Tuesdays: 2.30pm until 4pm,

Thursdays: 6pm until 7.30pm,

Saturdays: 10am until 11.30am

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 their [website](#)



This week's Top 10 items

Nappy Pants sizes 5,6,7	Tinned soup - meat	Shampoo & conditioner
Baby wipes	Instant mash potato	Rice and pasta
Easter eggs	Tinned cooked meat	Wash pods Bio/Non-Bio
Cat biscuits	Toilet rolls	Children's toothpaste
Razors	Antibacterial surface spray	Tinned corn/carrots
Bio washing pods	Tinned fruit	Microwave rice pouches

Next Sunday 28 April

Joint service at All Saints Church for the Annual Church Parochial Meeting
(APCM) 2024 at 10.30am

Ephesians 2:1-10

Steve Rees preaching, Mark Rapley leading and others from St Richards taking part