

*“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 15 Dec 2024**

### **Sunday 15 Dec**

**Lord's supper 10.45am**

**Advent 3**

(with Creche, Sunday Club! Lasers in main service)

**Revelation 5:1-14 The scroll and the lamb**

(Steve Rees preaching (Lord's supper) & Mark Rapley leading)

*Evening service at All Saints – 6.30pm – Christmas unconventional – Luke 1:67-80*

### **Sunday 22 Dec**

**All age service 10.45am**

**Advent 4**

**Scratch Nativity – Come dressed as a character from the nativity!**

**CALLING NARRATORS – If you would like a read part pick one up this Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> or phone Mark to get one.**

(Mark Rapley preaching & leading)

(with self-service creche in the lounge)



### **Sunday 22 Dec**

**Carols by Candlelight service – 7pm**

**With Mince pies and refreshments after the service!**

(Mark Rapley preaching & leading)

**Tuesday 24 Dec**

**Christmas Eve**

**Christingle Service – 4pm**

***Come and make a Christingle!***

(Mark Rapley preaching and leading)

*Evening service at All Saints – 11pm – Midnight Holy communion.*

**Wednesday 25 Dec**

**Christmas Day Celebration – 10am**

(with self-service creche in the lounge)

(Mark Rapley preaching & Abi Lattimer leading)

**Sunday 29 Dec**

**Joint all age service at All Saints – 10.45am**

**Psalm 139**

(Nick Ashton preaching)

**Sunday 5 Jan**

**All Age Service – 10.45am**

(with Creche, Sunday Club & Lasers!)

Verse of the year Galatians 6:9-10

(Mark Rapley leading & preaching)

# Notices...

## Funeral details for Mo Rose

The funeral details are as follows: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - 1pm at the Wealden Crematorium Horam, everyone welcome. If you need a lift **or can offer** a lift, please let Trish know and we will try and arrange something.

## Opportunities to Help

### MINCE PIES

It's always lovely to be able to offer mince pies after some of our Christmas services! **Can you donate a box?**

Please leave any donations in the church kitchen clearly marked "for St Richard's"



## What's on this week...

### MONDAYS

- **Men's Sausage Roll Club – most Monday mornings**

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.

- **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. For more info chat to Rosemary Longley.

### TUESDAYS

- **Little Seeds Toddler Group 10am till 12pm**

Meeting during term time, this provides a welcome meeting place for local parents and carers to socialise and bring their little one to enjoy playing and organised activities. First timers are welcome to come for a taster session just give Sarah a buzz to let us know you're coming.

- **Heroes (R-Y2) and Adventurers (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](mailto:sarah@allsaintscrowborough.org)

## WEDNESDAYS

- **Midday prayer at St Richard's – every week 12noon till 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.

- **The Barnabas Support Group - 10.30am – 12noon** (usually every third Wednesday) in the Downstairs Rooms at All Saints Church to bring together those with dementia or memory loss problems and their carers for encouragement, sharing together, and information. All are welcome to come and join in these Coffee Mornings. For more information, please speak to Frances Sadd.

## FRIDAYS

- **Ladies bible study – during term time at St Richard's 10:15 -11.30am.**

An hour together to enrich our bible knowledge and grow in faith. Speak to Trish if you think you'd like to join us!

### Dates for your diary

- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December – **Carol singing around Alderbrook**  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December –10.45am **Scratch Nativity** come dressed up. 7pm **Carols by Candlelight.**  
Tuesday 24 December – **Christingle Service** – 4pm.  
Wednesday 25 December – **Christmas day All age Celebration service** – 10am

## Christmas Lunch at All Saints

12.30pm - 3.30pm on 25th December.

All welcome, but you need to book using this link

<https://allsaintscrowborough.churchsuite.com/events/qoh3p9l7>

## Opportunities to serve and help others

### Crowborough Foodbank

St Richard's is a Foodbank collection point, for a list of acceptable items check out their [website](#)

### Crowborough Pantry

This open to anyone, regardless of circumstances, and aims to help both the planet and the community, by sharing donated food which would otherwise likely be wasted. You'll find them around the corner in

Beechview Parade, Open:

Mondays: 10am until 11am

Tuesdays: 2.30pm until 4pm

Thursdays: 6pm until 7pm

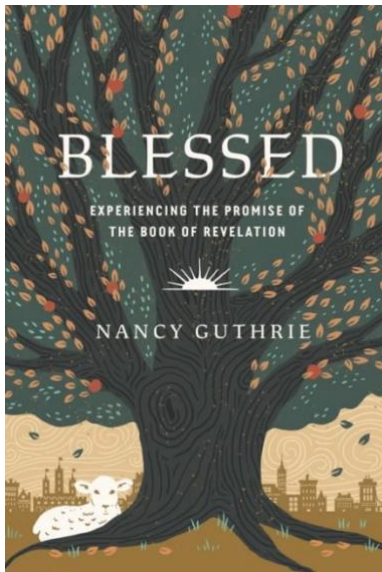
Saturdays: 10am until 11am

Sundays: 6pm – 6.30pm



CROWBOROUGH  
COMMUNITY  
**PANTRY**

## Recommended book in our lending library.



### **Blessed**

**Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Revelation by Nancy Guthrie**

With a friendly and engaging tone, Blessed takes the fear, intimidation, and confusion away from studying Revelation, providing a solid and accessible resource that individuals and small groups can use to study this important yet often avoided book.

Available to borrow from St Richard's library or to buy click [HERE](#)

## Opportunities to Grow in our Faith

### **Keswick Convention 2025**

### **"Be Transformed"**

Week 2: Saturday 19th – Friday 25th July 2025

Ten years ago, St Richards travelled to the Lake District and attended the Keswick Convention. Well, we thought it was time we returned. Interested have a chat with Philip and Sue Rowland-Smith.