

*"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Galatians 6:9-10*

## WELCOME to St Richard's News update 9 Feb 2025

### Sunday 9 Feb

#### Morning service 10.45am

(with Sunday Club & self-service creche. Lasers in main service)

**1 Thessalonians 2:1-12**   **Healthy Church: Workers serving and establishing**  
(Mark Rapley preaching & Abi Latimer leading)

*Evening service at All Saints – 6.30pm – The failure of humanity - Genesis 9:18-29*

## Notices...

- **Loving one another through by knowing what to look out for**  
**Basic Safeguarding training – For ALL volunteers who serve in church**

At St Richard's we take safeguarding really seriously. We want everyone who volunteers in any area of church life, to undertake basic safeguarding training so we can be aware of these issues as a church family. This is for any of us who volunteer, not just with young people, but refreshments, welcome, music, service leading, AV rota etc etc.

For the first time in many years we are able to offer a **face-to-face** option on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**, run by our own Peter Hall. Please do come along, book via this link:

<https://allsaintscrowborough.churchsuite.com/events/lhg0umgl>

Ask Trish to book for you if you don't have online access OR if you need a lift. (Trish 07900345118)

- **For your diary – Next Christianity Explored Course 11<sup>th</sup> March**

With our latest Hope Explored Course underway, do think ahead to who you might invite to our Next Christianity Explored Course, this is an 8 session course that seeks to answer three key questions about Christianity: Who is Jesus? What did he achieve? How should we respond?

This is an interactive course, where there is plenty of opportunity to bring your questions, none is too simple!



# What's on this week...

## MONDAYS

**THIS MONDAY: Friendship Hour** - a companionship group for senior men and women, held on the second Monday of each month. It starts at **2.30pm**. We have a great team of helpers, and where possible also try to provide transport for anyone who may need it. Please contact Dorothy on 01892 655480 [d.hards80@btinternet.com](mailto:d.hards80@btinternet.com) (or Frances on 01892 661959) for more details.

- **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)**

Meeting 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. ***This term we are studying Hebrews!*** Speak to Trish if you think you'd like to join us!

# Opportunities to learn and grow in your faith!

## Sussex Youth Works 'Come and See'

Saturday 8th March - 10am to 1pm at All Saints Church Lindfield Haywards Heath RH16 2HS - £6 per person. (Lunch included)

Come and join us for a morning of Bible teaching and seminars focused on how we make youth and children's ministry accessible to all with a particular focus on those with additional needs. [Click here to book:](#)

*A ministry of the Sussex Gospel Partnership.*

# COME + SEE

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All Saints Lindfield, RH16 2HS

*A training morning  
for youth and  
children's ministry  
teams in Sussex*

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ministry accessible to all

£6 per person, lunch provided  
Tickets available via the Sussex  
Gospel Partnership website

Sussex Youthworks



## CIRT Holiday Club – (Foundation to Yr 6)

8 – 11 April – 9am – 12.30pm, at All Saints.



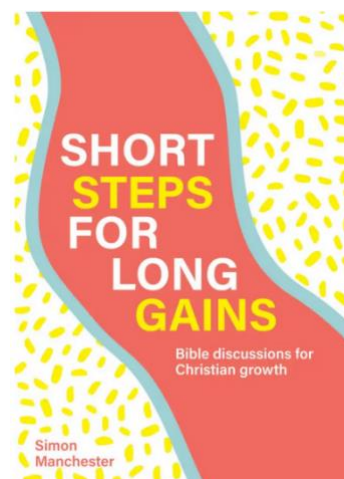
The annual Easter Holiday club is just around the corner. It would be great to have people from St Richards involved in helping out - there's simple things like baking cakes, welcoming people in the parent's cafe, helping set up/ tidy away/ registration. Then there's need for kids groups leaders, 1-1s and creche helpers.

[Let the team know you can help by clicking here to book:](#)

## Easy daily readings and 1-2-1 materials

Last week Mark mentioned a booklet that makes reading the bible with someone else or even on your own readily available and achievable for any of us. We ran out last week, but more have been ordered that may arrive in time for Sunday, so feel free to take a copy

“This small booklet has been written to provide a focus for Christians who meet together briefly and regularly to look at God's word, pray and share something of their lives. There are 26 topics, so the booklet will provide reflections for half a year or a year's fortnightly input.”



# A led Arts retreat on the theme of REST

Arts retreat Fri 21st Feb 7-9pm & 22nd Feb 9:30am -5pm at All Saints church. Time to connect with God, people and creativity. All artistic disciplines and standards are welcome more information (or contact Cathy) and sign up via link <https://bit.ly/3OIZvsM>



## 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



## Next Sunday

**Sunday 16 Feb – Lord's supper 10.45am**

(with Sunday Club & self-service creche. Lasers in main service.)

**1 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5 Healthy church: Convictions and painful trials**

(Pete Winstone preaching & Lord's supper, & Mark Rapley leading)

