

“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 23 Feb 2025

Sunday 23 Feb

Morning service 10.45am

(with Sunday Club & Lasers! Self-service creche in the lounge)

Mark 5:21-43. Reaching out to Jesus for life!

(Dave Lattimer preaching & Andrew Nicholls leading)

Evening service at All Saints – 6.30pm – HOLY COMMUNION - Grace for Humanity - Genesis 11:27-12:9

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 3rd 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 11th 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!



- **Commemoration of the 3rd anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine** – Monday 24th Feb – 11am – War Memorial on Chapel Green. Hope Café will be open afterwards, serving hot drinks.
- **Ruth Lawrence's** funeral will be held at All Saints on 12th Mar at 3pm.
- **Prom Praise Wonder at the Royal Albert Hall** with the All Souls Orchestra on Saturday 3rd May. More details via link <https://bit.ly/40sfzEK>

What's on this week...

MONDAYS

- **THIS MONDAY: CONNECT YOUTH GROUP – 6.45-8pm** – Our monthly outreach to young families in the community. Crafts, games & a short bible talk.
- **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

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.



CIRT Holiday Club – (Foundation to Yr 6)

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



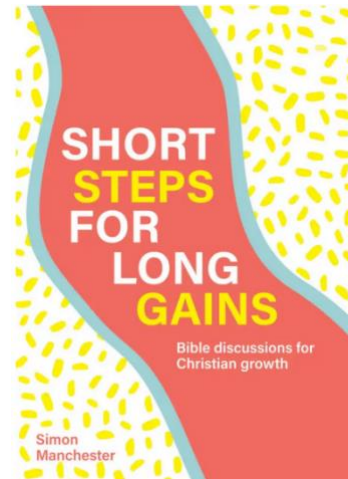
The annual Easter Holiday club is just around the corner. It would be great to have people from St Richards involved in helping out - there's simple things like baking cakes, welcoming people in the parent's cafe, helping set up/ tidy away/ registration. Then there's need for kids groups leaders, 1-1s 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 2 March – Morning service 10.45am

(with Sunday Club, Creche & Lasers!)

1 Thessalonians 4: 1-12 Healthy church: Passion, love and work

(Mark Rapley preaching & Andrew Gibson leading)