

"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 & Resources 29 June 2025

Sunday 29 June

Morning service - 10.45am

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

Mark 8: 34-38 Good news: Come die with me.

(Mark Rapley preaching & Abi Lattimer leading)

while St Richards doesn't have an evening gathering we are welcome to join All Saints from 6.30pm

Notices

- **Lighthouse – Book the date and your tickets!**

This is our summer event for children on Adam Field Recreation Ground run in partnership with Forest Fold Baptist Church.

Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th August. Crafts, Games, football, short bible talk & BBQ on the Wednesday.

Registration is now open! Please contact the church office to register – strichardsoffice@gmail.com
Tel: 01892 611318.



- **PRAYER: Weekly lunchtime prayers at St Richard's Wednesday 2nd July 12.00 – 13.00pm**

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 each other, our church ministries and work, the community of southern Crowborough, the churches in Crowborough, the Church of England and the world.

What's on in the week

MONDAYS

- **Southern Crowborough Café - First Monday of the month – 10am-12pm.**
Come for your morning coffee and meet folk from our local community.
- **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.
- **Friendship Hour - second Monday of each month from 2.30pm.**
This is our companionship group for senior men and women. We have a great team of helpers, and where possible also try to provide transport for anyone who may need it. Please contact Dorothy 01892 655480 d.hards80@btinternet.com (or Frances 01892 661959) for more details.
- **CONNECT Youth Group – 6.45-8pm – Our monthly outreach to young families in the community.**
Crafts, games & a short bible talk.

TUESDAYS

- **Exploring the truth claims of Jesus**
Most Tuesdays during term time we run one of several courses that explore the truth claims of Jesus. Starting from 7.30pm at the church, the current course is Christianity Explored which is an 8-session course that seeks to answer three key questions: Who is Jesus? What did he achieve? How should we respond? Chat to Trish or Mark if you'd like to join the next course.
- **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.

THURSDAYS

- **Monthly Church Family Prayer meeting – Evenings 7.15 for 7.30pm - First Thursday**
Come and join us to pray for our world, our nation, our community, our church, and ourselves! Come when you can go when you must. We finish by 9pm.

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!
- **Table Tennis – 7.30-9.30pm at St Richard's every week**
For beginners onwards – Just turn up! £2.50 per person. Bats, balls & a drink included.
For more info contact Andrew Gibson: 01892 663358

Opportunities to Grow in our Faith

St Richards church is part of a network of churches in Sussex called the Sussex Gospel Partnership. One aspect of church life that the network does is to offer training opportunities.

The training courses are for Christians of all ages from different Churches across Sussex and beyond who come together for Biblical instruction and training, and warm fellowship. Through lectures, group work, class discussions and teaching workshops, students on the course gain the following:

- A firm understanding of the Bible & its teaching
- Confidence and ability to share the Bible with others
- A practical understanding of biblical ministry

The result is that you are equipped to be more effective in living for Christ and serving him in the church and the world.

There are two versions to fit most life stages and circumstances

The Sussex Ministry Training Course (SMTTC)

This course is run over three 11-week terms on a Tuesday, in Cuckfield, near Haywards Heath, starting in September every year. The course day runs from 10am to 4:15pm at Cuckfield Baptist Church. Students who complete the first year have an option of continuing for a second year that builds on the foundation laid in year one. For more info. click [here](#) to sign-up click [here](#)



The Saturday Morning Bible Training Course (SMBTC)

This course is a cut-down version of year one of the Tuesday course aimed at those who are not free to undertake a week-day course. Students are required to attend once each month (excluding August) from 9:30am to 1:00pm and it takes two years to complete the course. To widen accessibility, the SMBTC is run in various locations across Sussex (East/Mid/West). The next course for 1st year enrolment is due to run from Hove (near Brighton) from September 2025 to Summer 2027; for 2nd year students the course continues from September 2025 to summer 2026 in Crawley. Students who complete the Saturday course have the option of taking year two of the Tuesday course. The lectures on all our courses are recorded so that students who miss a session are able to catch up on-line. To sign-up click [here](#).

For more information [visit here](#):

Opportunities to serve 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 6 July

Morning Service (*With children in the service*)– 10.45am

(Self-service Creche in the lounge if required)

Ephesians 1: 3-14 What's to do - Purpose

(Andrew Gibson preaching & Trish Scobell leading)