

Holy Trinity

HURSTPIERPPOINT

Welcome to this week's edition of Holy Trinity News - Sunday 14th April 2024

Oddly, between Easter and Pentecost we read passages from Acts which gives an account of what happened at Pentecost and afterwards. Written by Saint Luke as a sequel to his Gospel, this is the story of the Holy Spirit as the engine behind the progress of the early Church from Jerusalem to Rome and, therefore, to the world and, therefore, to us.

From the 21st Century point of view, Acts is the most accessible book of the Bible because it writes about places where we might go on a Summer holiday; and it is also a graphic account of the way people struggle with faith, get into arguments and, against human inclination, show great courage. The book also tells us a great deal about the challenges of growth, the dangers of disunity and the need to maintain self-discipline. It is also full of gripping and inspiring stories.

After our intense journey from the crib to the Cross this is an excellent time to enjoy reading Acts and seeing where it can help us with our current wonderful challenges of growth.

Kevin Carey (Reader)

HT / worship

Sunday 14th April 2024
Second Sunday of Easter

9.30am A Service of Holy Communion

Led by Revd Dr Richard Coldicott
Preacher Revd Dr Richard Coldicott

Readings: Acts 3:12-19 & Luke 24:36b-48

11.00am Service

Led by Revd Dr Richard Coldicott
Preacher Tom Dare

Readings: John 21:1-14

Fran Dowsett's funeral

Fran's funeral has now been arranged for Wednesday 1st May at Brighton Crematorium in the morning, followed by a Service of Thanksgiving for her life, to which all are welcome, at Holy Trinity at 1.30pm the same day.

Margaret Wilson's funeral

Margaret's service will take place on Monday 29th April at 11am at Holy Trinity, followed by a committal at the Down's Crematorium in Brighton. In relation to the service, Miriam writes on behalf of the family: *'As you may know, Margaret Wilson, for a long time a member of the Holy Trinity family, died recently, aged 102. She had not been out for some years and had been receiving communion at home. It would be much appreciated by Margaret's family if members of the congregation who remember her could offer memories to be shared at her funeral. Please could you forward any contributions to the church office and Richard.'*

HT / Diary

Monday 15th April

7.00pm Hurst and Cuckfield Deanery Youth and Children volunteer hub

Tuesday 16th April

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am Toddlers at Fairfield Recreation Ground

7.45pm Olive Branch

8.00pm Growing Together

Wednesday 17th April

8.00pm Mothers' Union meeting

Thursday 18th April

10.00am Melting Pot Café in church

7.30pm – Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 19th April

6.30pm – Junior Choir practice

7.15pm - Choir Practice

Saturday 20th April

6.00pm Music and Wine evening

Sunday 21st April

9.30am A Service of Holy Communion

Led by Revd Christine Ostler

Preacher Christine Ostler

11.00am Service

Led by Tom Dare

Preacher Revd Dr Richard Coldicott

Hurst Jumble Trail 14th April

We are helping Fran's son Simon with a stall as part of the Hurst Jumble Trail on Sunday 14th April. Our stall will be at the end of Manor Cottages BN6 9UN from 10am to 2pm, selling crockery etc, garden tools and various other items. It would be lovely to see you.

Liz & Sue

Music and Wine evening - Saturday 20th April 6 - 7.30pm

Simon Anckorn is delighted to be presenting a light-hearted evening of 'Diva Greats' featuring the incredible joint talents of singers, Sam Nixon and Sarah Rolph, both of whom have appeared with Simon previously at Holy Trinity providing very memorable concerts. Sarah & Sam will be performing great songs and duets from the world's

greatest Divas and pop groups, including Barbra Streisand, Aretha Franklin, Shirley Bassey, Adele, Dusty Springfield and Abba. Simon will be joined by band members, Stef Grimmett (drums), Stu Barbour (guitar), Phil Paton (saxes), and Nick Kay (bass).



It isn't strictly necessary to book ahead as there is, of course, plenty of space in the church, but it does help to have some idea of how many people are coming so if you can let me know, please do so. Tickets £8, pay on the door. Margaret Carey margaret@112a.co.uk. Doors open from 5.30pm when the bar will be open. We look forward to welcoming you.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting - Mon 29th April at 8.00pm

Hurstpierpoint Parish's annual meeting to elect churchwardens and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (where other church representatives are elected) will take place on Monday 29th April in Church. The meeting will commence at 8pm and is anticipated to last no longer than 30 minutes. This is a very important meeting in the life of the church as we elect our 2 churchwardens and new PCC members, and receive reports from the various church and affiliated groups for 2023. Therefore, it would be lovely if as many people as possible could be present to support those elected and hear about the life and ministry of Holy Trinity. If you are interested in serving as a PCC member, please speak to Richard or one of the Churchwardens who will be able to give you more information of what the role entails.

Richard

MU News

Sussex Pathways

On Wednesday 17th April, George Baxter will be our evening speaker, telling us about his role as a volunteer for Sussex Pathways.

Someone said recently they might be interested in his talk as they enjoy walking along local footpaths! They clearly hadn't heard about this award-winning charity based in Lewes, working with prisons and communities with the aim of reducing offending behaviours and supporting ex-offenders to make positive life choices. This promises to be a most interesting talk and is open to visitors and members at 8pm at Holy Trinity Church.

Charity Lunch on Saturday 11th May at Guide Headquarters (corner of main carpark) 12-2pm

Delicious home-made quiches, coronation chicken, ham, sausages, home-made salads, French bread

Followed by a wonderful spread of home-made puddings, with tea and coffee.

All for only £10 adults, £4 children under 12years - so please put the date in your diaries to come along and enjoy a scrumptious lunch whilst supporting our MU Overseas Projects, and meeting up with friends old and new.

Everyone most welcome.

Tickets available in church at coffee time or just come on the day.



The Holy Trinity family and the wider village have given generously to Christian Aid over many years. In recent years you may remember being given the free gift of a poetry book as a 'thank you'. This year we wanted to do something a bit different and we hope to offer recipes instead of poems.

To do this, we need your help! We know that the church community includes many skilful cooks and bakers and we will need your favourite recipes in the book. It will be divided into sections such as Starters,

Main Courses, Soups, Desserts and Cakes, according to the recipes we receive, but do feel free to send suggestions even though they may not seem to fit a category.

We have discussed costs with Chailey Heritage Enterprise Centre and plan to have the booklets printed by them for a September launch. So please start sending ideas as soon as possible to Miriam Patrick mim.patrick54@gmail.com

You may feel uneasy with the idea of celebrating food when so many of the communities Christian Aid works with struggle to find sufficient to eat.

However, we hope this will be seen as a way to support those communities while acknowledging the good fortune of having a good and plentiful diet.

Miriam Patrick.

Good condition laptops and tablets needed for a school in Ukraine

Last year all the computers in a school linked with one of the Hurst Ukrainian families were destroyed by a power surge. We are looking to help replace them. If you have a spare laptop or tablet/ipad in good condition and would be willing to donate it, please get in touch:

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This week we are praying

For King Charles III as he continues his treatment for cancer, and for Queen Camilla as she supports him. We pray for the Princess of Wales as she receives treatment for cancer, and for the Prince of Wales, their children. And for the wider Royal Family at this difficult time.

For peace and justice in our world. For Israel and Palestine. For the leaders of the nations. For our Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, our government, the opposition parties and all who bear responsibility for our nation, for wisdom to seek first justice and peace, particularly in this season of elections.

For refugees, the international response to the refugee crisis – and for our own response. Pray for the families we are welcoming to Hurstpierpoint, for host families and for the whole support network.

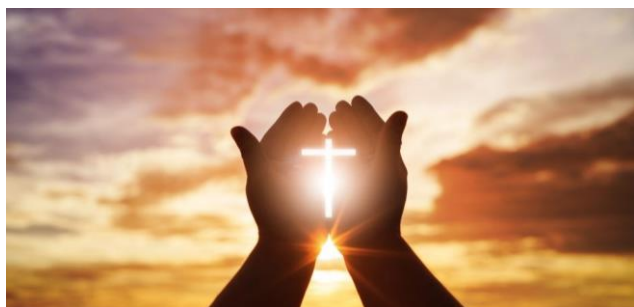
For those across the world suffering from the impact of climate change. For a greater sense of urgency from politicians and major companies in tackling the causes and consequences.

For those who are in distress, who feel anxious, or are facing difficulties – may they know God's love.

For those who are unwell including Neil, Joan, Hugo, Yasmeen, Ann, Ben, Neil, Esther, Tony, Benny, Rosemary, Susan, Paul, Roger, Pauline, Belinda, Nicki, Richard, Brian, Rosslyn and June.

For the bereaved, especially the families and friends of Fran Dowsett, Margaret Wilson, Robert Lovegrove and Paula Goodchild.

Please do tell us if you are unwell and would like to be included in our prayer list. Do not think that any request is too small.



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