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We aim to be a growing community of Christian people who desire to be:

Mature disciples : committed church family members : effective witnesses : caring neighbours

Dates for your Diary:

- Thursday 17th August Coffee / Hearing Aid Clinic – Church hall
- Sunday 3rd September Church BBQ
- Friday 8th September Footprints returns
- Saturday 9th September The Bothy Garden volunteer group – 10am – 12 noon
- Saturday 9th September Ride and Stride
- Sat/Sun 9th / 10th Sept Heritage Weekend
- Friday 15th September FM Life
- Saturday 16th September Who Let the Dads Out - 9.30-11.30am
- Saturday 23rd September Harvest Supper
- Friday 29th September Big Coffee Morning – in aid of Macmillan
- Friday 29th September to Sunday 1st October – Prayer weekend
- Saturday 30th September Churchyard working party
- Saturday 21st October Who Let the Dads Out - 9.30-11.30am
- Tuesday 31st October Light Party from 6-9pm in the Church hall

Weekly Services

Thursday: 10.00am Holy Communion

Sunday: 8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion
11.15am Informal Worship Service NB: First Sunday in the month when there is Gener8

Crèche for under 3s and **Activ8** for 3-10 year olds at 9.30 & 11.15 services, with the exception of the first Sunday each month.

Thursday – Mid-week communion at 10am – 3rd Thursday of the month coffee will be served in the hall along with the Hearing Aid Clinic.

Evening Services in August

Sunday 6th No Evening service

Sunday 13th Choral Evensong at 6.30pm

Sunday 20th No Restore Café Church – returning in September

Sunday 27th Reflect Service at 6.30pm

Women's Breakfast – held on Saturday 15th July in the church hall it was an opportunity to once again share in a delicious breakfast and a to catch up with old friends. Julie Patridge, our speaker gave an inspiring talk about her life and her faith and the projects she has worked on within the community and further afield.



Homemade and Fairtrade and Book Stalls will return in September



Holiday at Home for older People – Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th August at St Lawrence Church, Effingham from 10am to 4pm. A chance for older people to gather for a couple of days and enjoy activities and company - £25. For the 2 days including all activities and refreshments, two lunches and afternoon teas

Macmillan – World's biggest coffee morning – Friday 29th September in the Church hall between 10 and 11.30am. Catch up over a cuppa, enjoy some gorgeous treats – and the money you raise at your Coffee Morning will help us make sure no one has to face cancer alone.



Having just returned from a fantastic New Wine summer gathering, we are delighted to let you know that the dates for New Wine United 2018 are Saturday 28 July to Friday 3 August 2018. Super Early-Bird bookings will open in September. Want a taster to find out what it's all about? Why not join us in a group from St Marys going to the New Wine Men's Day (Saturday 4 November) or the New Wine Women's Day (Saturday 11 November). More details from Andrew and Jenny or see the St Mary's or New Wine websites.

Footprints – is for pre-school children and their parents/carers. With a spiritual background, it provides a gentle introduction to the Church family and an opportunity to meet over a cup of coffee whilst the children play, paint, craft, sing and hear Bible stories. Footprints takes place on alternate Friday mornings during term time.



Who Let the Dads Out - Meet other Dads and talk about Dad things like tools, sport, food, beer, cars and just being a Dad! For the kids; games, music, fun and a chance to make lots of new friends, all are welcome.
Dates for 2017: Sat 16 Sep. Sat 21 Oct. Sat 18 Nov. Time: 9.30-11.30am

FM Life is a fortnightly group for women of all ages. It's a great opportunity to make new friends, chat about issues relating to our everyday lives and to think about how our faith may help us. It is held in the church hall from 10am - 11.30am with crèche facilities should you need it.



Heritage Weekend, 9-10th September - Do get involved! Come and show off our beautiful church to our visitors all weekend. Fabulous floral displays, church tours, children's activities. Can you help with an hour to welcome our visitors, or could you possibly bake some cookies please? Any creative ideas for what we can do to showcase the church? Lots of help required on Saturday and also on Sunday afternoon. Please do let Sarah Mackay know mackayfamily10@btinternet.com

St Mary's Alpha - Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and faith in a questioning, friendly, open and informal environment. It is a series of interactive sessions that explores the basics of the Christian faith. If you are interested in knowing more or joining our next course, contact the Parish Office Tel: 01372 375000 and leave your details so that we can get in touch when the next course is scheduled.



Ride & Stride Saturday 9th September - Come & join in with a fun day out exploring some of our local churches, either by bike, or on foot. Raise money too for St. Mary's and the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust, who support church repairs and improvements across the county. Do speak to Sarah Mackay if you think you might like to join in. She has lots of ideas for routes. This is well suited to young families, as well as to teenagers and the not so young. If you can't participate in person, maybe you could be kind enough to sponsor a cyclist or walker, or to man the welcome at St. Mary's - no previous experience needed. Sponsor forms available now, and will be displayed on the previous Sunday, 3rd September, allowing kind sponsors to sign forms.



Young Preacher of the Year – competition launched. Closing date for entries is 5th November 2017. A competition searching for the best young preachers in Guildford Diocese. Open to all in Year 10 - Year 13. They are looking for passionate, challenging and deep thinking preachers able to wrestle with Biblical texts and modern culture. The best get to preach in Guildford Cathedral, one of the most significant pulpits in the diocese. www.youngpreacheroftheyear.com to find details of how to enter.

Prayer weekend - Friday 29th September to Sunday 1st October – for more information regarding this weekend of prayer please contact Brigitte Furze



Message from Liz Boughton, following their fund-raising Cream Tea on Saturday 22nd July. Thank you so much to everyone who braved the weather and came over from Fetcham to our cream tea. It was lovely to see you all and we were only sad that with such a good turnout we had so little time to chat to friends. Thanks too to those who weren't able to join us but sent a donation for Brain Tumour Research. In the end we raised over £5,000, doubling our target and allowing us to fund 2 days' research. A massive thank you to you all. Now (some of) you have discovered how lovely Goring is, even in the rain, why not visit us another day when the sun is shining? With love, Paul, Liz, Sophie and Alice x

Look out for new service information postcards to be delivered in September. If you are able to help deliver leaflets within the community or would like to change roads please let Karen in the office know.



A big thank you to:

- Martin and Wendy for hosting the Church family picnic lunch
- Julie Patridge on her inspiring talk at the Women's breakfast

Please pray for:

Those who are sick, including; Sybil Francklow, Gordon Lake, Sebastian Nohl, Joan Nash, Humphrey Bowen, Liz Crawford, Paul Boughton, Liz Boughton, Elaine Mead, Daphne Burfoot and David Watson.

Jaime & Colin MacCombe who were married on 21 July, 2017



St Mary's, Fetcham Parish Church: <http://stmarysfetcham.org.uk/> Rector: the Reverend Andrew Smith, tel 01372 375000.

Please submit copy for inclusion in the Newsletter to Tracey-Anne by e-mail (newsletter@stmarysfetcham.org.uk or tracey-anne@ntlworld.com),

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