

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:

- Sunday 2nd September The Homemade Stall / Fairtrade Stall / Second Hand Books in the Church Hall
- Saturday 8th September Ride & Stride
- Saturday 8th September Day of Prayer for our Nation - 9 am-10.30 am in the Church
- Saturday 8th September Bothy Garden Work party
- Friday 14th September FM Life
- Saturday 15th September Who Let The Dads Out? 9.30-11.30am
- Friday 21st September Footprints – return for Autumn - Mary and Martha : My sister isn't helping
- Friday 21st September Hidden Treasure - Bible Study for ladies of all ages - Rectory
- Sunday 23rd September Choral Evensong at 6pm at Guildford Cathedral to mark Happy Child's achievements
- Friday 28th September FM & Footprints - World's Biggest Coffee Morning – (Macmillan)
- 28th to 30th September Prayer weekend
- Sunday 7th October Harvest Lunch – Church Hall – more details to follow
- Sunday 28th October Bereavement Service from 6.30pm for family and friends to remember their loved ones
- Wednesday 31st October Light Party – an alternative to Halloween for children in schools years 3-7
- Saturday 10th November Bothy Garden Work party and end of season social
- Sunday 11th November Remembrance Service
- Saturday 17th November Who Let The Dads Out? 9.30-11.30am

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

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

Mid-week communion at 10am. Coffee and hearing aid clinic are available on the third Thursday in the month.

Evening Services in September

Sunday 2nd No Evening service
Sunday 9th Choral Evensong at 6.30pm
Sunday 16th Restore Café Church @ Greenwise at 7pm
Sunday 23rd 'Reflect' Service at 6.30pm
Sunday 30th No Evening service



Hidden Treasure – A fortnightly Bible Study for ladies of all ages on Friday mornings, alternating with FM Life, beginning on 21st September. Come and discover the Hidden Treasure in God's Word - the Bible; and receive wisdom, strength and encouragement for daily life in The Rectory.

The Autumn Services Postcard will be ready for delivery from 9th September. We are joining forces with 1st Fetcham Scout Group and delivering our Autumn service postcards together with their jumble sale leaflets. They in turn are picking up some of our roads that we struggle with.



FM Life are hosting a film evening at 7pm on Saturday 22nd September in the church annexe. Admission free, but donations to help our support of Shonie through the Quicken Trust will be gratefully received. Refreshments available. Please speak to Jenny Smith or Anna Diepstraten for more details.

New Youth Minister at St Mary's! We are delighted to welcome Nathan Ghinn as he joins our Church family from 2nd September. Please do look out for Nathan and his wife Esther and do all you can to help them settle in. We are looking forward to supporting and working with Nathan as he leads our ministry to the youth of Fetcham. Nathan's email will be published soon – in the meantime please contact him through the Parish Office.





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. Next meet Sat 15th Sept : 9.30-11.30am and then the 3rd Sat of the month (not Dec).

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. Next meeting on Friday 14th September.



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 from 10-11.30am, next meeting on 21st September finishing on Friday 7th December.

Restore Cafe Church is back at Greenwise in Fetcham on Sunday 16th September 7-8pm. We are kicking off the new season thinking about Restoring our Planet! We are delighted that Tracey Harwood from *Fetch'em from the Cupboard* is coming to speak to us about her new enterprise at Greenwise using packaging free foods and plastic free products. There will be the usual great coffees, relaxed atmosphere and opportunities for discussion. Feel free to bring friends and neighbours.



National Day of Prayer - Join us in prayer for our nation on Saturday 8th September, the anniversary of the National Day of Prayer held during the Battle of Britain in 1940, between 9 am and 10.30 am in the church. This coincides with the day of prayer for our nation being held in London. Our nation needs God's help.

Fetcham United Charities, celebration its centenary, as part of the Heritage Open Days on Saturday 8th September. You are invited to visit the Reading Room between 2 and 5pm. At 4pm two of our residents (Isabel Blake and Madge Fuller) will cut a celebratory cake, and you are invited to join us for tea. Many of you will probably know that St Mary's plays a key role in this charity which was formed in 1918 by bringing together a number of bequests made by former Fetcham residents. The main role is managing the almshouses at Morley Court and the nearby Reading Room.

Happy Child International is celebrating 25 years of working in Brazil. We would love you our faithful supporters and friends at St Mary's Fetcham to join us on Sunday 23rd September 2018 at Guildford Cathedral for Choral Evensong at 6pm followed by a Drinks Reception to mark Happy Child's achievements over the last quarter of a century. Parking for all is available at the Cathedral and Guildford Station is a 10 minute walk from the venue www.guildford-cathedral.org For catering purposes could you please rsvp by emailing jennie.sullivan@happychild.org or calling Jennie on 07864 782971



The Ride & Stride - The Bike Ride is on Saturday 8th September - Walk or ride your bike round some of the beautiful local churches and get family and friends to sponsor you. Money raised goes to The Surrey Churches Preservation Trust. Half of all money raised comes back to St. Mary's and the other half goes to help repair and preserve Surrey churches of all denominations. Sponsor forms will be available on 2nd September, please speak to Sarah Mackay. Do please be kind enough to sponsor someone, and maybe also sign up to welcome participants to St. Mary's. Thank you.
(mackayfamily10@btinternet.com or tel 379043). www.surreychurchespreservationtrust.org

Prayer Weekend - September 28th to 30th where we invite local churches to come and join us for thanksgiving, praying for the nation, being quiet before God and praying through the night. During the week end we will pray for: teachers/education, families, doctors/mental health, prisons, neighbours, Christians in other countries... ALL are welcome to any part of it.

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Memorial Service celebrating Bay Gunn's life will be held on the 28th September at 2pm. in St Mary's Church followed by refreshments in the hall. A few of Bay's family from Scotland will be attending together with many friends from the South. The family would love you to join them and share memories of Bay who lived in Fetcham for nearly 50 years.

Please pray for: Those who are sick, including; Elaine Mead, David Watson, Roderick Gray and Joan Marr. We also pray for those in Bells Grove Care Home: Betty Colven, Sybil Francklow and Beryl Burgess and for those in residential homes: Liz Crawford, Jo Waters, June Williams, Sebastian Nohl, Gordon and Mavis Lake.



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)

The newsletter is issued on the 1st weekend of each month. If you would like to provide any content, please ensure it is sent to Tracey-Anne by 3pm the SUNDAY before.