



Crofton Parish Diary

April

Easter Sun	6am	Sunrise Service (meet Salterns car park). Breakfast served after	Hill Head beach
Tues 3	2pm	Mothers' Union meeting , with speakers Carl & Barbara Rufenacht	Main Hall
Tues 3	7.30pm	Parish Prayer Evening , all welcome	Main Hall
Wed 4	10.30am	Daytime Pastorate , with John Beavan speaking on <i>'Jesus is the Way'</i> Coffee served from 9.45am.	Oak Room
Tues 10	2-3.30pm	Cup of Tea and Company , Bereavement Support and Friendship	Main Hall
Sat 14	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat	Beech Room
Wed 18	10am-12pm	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	Lychgate Green
Fri 20	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Fri 20	7.30-9pm	FAST youth group for school years 10-13	Centre
Sat 21	10-11.30am	Who Let The Dads Out? Dads and children's activity morning. £2 per family, includes bacon butties.	Main Hall
Sun 22	3.30-6.30pm	Annual Church Meeting with Cream Tea at 3.30pm, Annual Meeting at 4.30pm and short service of Prayer and Worship from 6pm	Holy Rood Church & Centre

May

Tues 1	2pm	Mothers' Union meeting , with speaker Ann Shotlander	Main Hall
Tues 1	7.30pm	Parish Prayer Evening , all welcome	Main hall
Wed 2	10.30am	Daytime Pastorate , with Robin Green speaking on <i>'Jesus is the Truth'</i> Coffee served from 9.45am.	Oak Room
Thurs 3	6.30-7.30pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Beech Room
Tues 8	2-3.30pm	Cup of Tea and Company , Bereavement Support and Friendship	Main hall
Sat 12	2pm-3.30pm	CK Kids Family Fun Afternoon —doors open at 1.45pm. £3 per family.	Church and Centre
Fri 18	10am-12pm	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	Lychgate Green

Services on Sunday, 8 April

St. Edmund's: 9.30am Morning Service: Leader/Preacher: John Beavan

Holy Rood: 9.30am All in Holy Communion: Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge Preacher: Beth Yeandle
6.30pm Ascent Prayer and Praise: Leader: Paul Grant Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge



Easter Sunday, 1 April

Thank you for joining us today at Holy Rood and St Edmund's churches - you are among friends, and if you are new to this church we'd love the opportunity to answer any questions you might have. Stay for coffee after the morning service at Holy Rood, and stop by the welcome table to say hello - or speak to any of our stewards at Holy Rood or St Edmund's. We are glad you're here and we'd love to see you back next week.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Easter Sunday 1 April St Edmund's

8am BCP Holy Communion

Leader/Preacher: Revd Richard England
Bible reading: Colossians 3:1-7 and John 20:1-18

11.10am Holy Communion

Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge
Bible reading: Acts 10:34-43 and John 20: 1-18

Holy Rood

9.30am All in Easter Celebration with Holy Communion

Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Richard England
Bible reading: Luke 24:1-12

6.30pm Causeway

A service especially for adults with learning disabilities but everyone is welcome.

Thursday 5 April, Holy Communion, 7.30pm, Holy Rood Church, led by Revd Beryl Stares

Our congregations are encouraged to see giving as part of our worship; this is often planned giving by standing order or envelope, and there is opportunity also to make an offering during services. Please use the Gift Aid envelopes where possible.

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Vicar: Revd Richard England **Assistant Minister:** Revd Colin Prestidge **Youth Worker:** Carolyn Terry
Ministers: every member



If you are a hearing aid user and would like to make use of the hearing loop, please switch your aid to T position and sit in one of the central pews marked with the loop symbol.

For information & prayer, 1 April



ANNUAL MEETING AND CREAM TEA. Our Annual Meeting is on Sunday April 22nd at 4:30pm. Do prayerfully consider whether you, or someone you know, has the skills and giftings to become a member of our Church Council. We start the afternoon with a cream tea at 3:30pm and everyone from our various congregations are welcome. Do look on our Hub  croftonparish.org.uk/hub to see the report on last year in the parish, how to be nominated for the Church Council and to sign up for the Cream Tea.

There have been a couple of reports of error message when signing up for the tea, but that trying again works, so please do persist! If you have had difficulty please contact Simon Swindells to help improve it simon@croftonparish.org.uk



CROFTON HUB. We've extended our website to have a section that gives you quick access to the Welcome Sheet, sermons and other information you'll find useful. It's at croftonparish.org.uk/hub. The hub is helpful on laptops and PCs,

but it is designed to be used on smartphones and other mobile devices. It can be installed as an 'App' on your phone to give you one click access to the information. Use your web browser to look at the hub and open the "Crofton Hub" card to find out more and how to install the App. You could save paper by looking at the Welcome Sheet on your phone!

PARENTS, some Sunday morning groups are changing location in April. Please see the flyer for more details.

If you give financially to the ministry of the church through the Sunday offering

please use the envelopes in the pews and fill in the Gift Aid declaration if you are a taxpayer — the church receives an extra 25% on your gift at no cost to you, which makes a huge difference to the church's income. If you have any questions about finance, or would like to ask about setting up a standing order for your giving, please speak to Jane Dilloway or email treasuryteam@croftonparish.org.uk



COULD YOU BE A COLLEGE PASTOR? If you are a committed Christian with a heart for offering non-judgemental Christian love and care to 16 to 18 year old students, are over 18 and available on Wednesday afternoons between 1pm and 3pm **this could be you!** please email **Revd Bruce Deans** at bruceatstjohns@btinternet.com or see poster on notice board for further information.

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2ND STUBBINGTON (Holy Rood) SCOUT GROUP have been chosen by the Co-op as one of their community causes this year and we are hoping that Holy Rood members with a Co-op card would be able to help us by changing their charity preference to us. This will help us raise money for our new heating system. We are also still looking for adult helpers and leaders for all sections. For further info see Brian or Heather Graham.

PARENTS please remember that you are responsible for your children during coffee time after the 9:30 service at Holy Rood. For safety reasons, pre-school and Primary age children are **NOT** allowed upstairs after the service. Thank you.

REGULAR GIVING BOXED ENVELOPE SCHEME. New boxes for 2018 are now available for collection at the back of the church for those who use this scheme.

PARKING REMINDER. Please only use the disabled bays if you are a badge holder, and if you park on the road outside the church do not block our neighbours' drives.

Please pray for

- **Richard**, now home and improving. Pray also for Ann's mum, now back home, for health and that a care package will be in place soon. The family are grateful for continued prayer support.
- **Gemma**, Please pray for better pain management.
- **Sarah**, please pray for healing and practical help from social services.
- **Wendy**, now back in Gracewell Care Home, Fareham and would welcome visitors very much.
- **Toby**, praise God for positive results from recent biopsy. Please pray for continued healing and improved sleep.
- **Pam**, pray for healing of DVTs.
- **Betty**, Now home from hospital. Please pray for continued healing following recent operation.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.** Today all parishes in our Deanery will be praying for the Parish of St John the Evangelist, Fareham. Clergy, Revd Bruce Deans and the team of Readers, Wardens and administrator. They give thanks for the wide support for the College Pastors and possible Christian Community Debt Centre initiatives and ask for prayers for Revd Bruce Deans and his family as he starts his sabbatical.
- **Community Cycle of Prayer.** We pray for childminders, playgroups, pre-schools, parent and toddler groups, and give thanks for leaders, helpers and the children.

Please send any prayer requests to the church office
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