



Crofton Parish Diary

May

Mon 14	9-9.30am	Thy Kingdom Come , Morning Prayer and Worship led by Richard	Holy Rood Church
Mon 14	7-7.30pm	Thy Kingdom Come , Evening Prayer led by Richard	Holy Rood
Tues 15	9-9.30am	Thy Kingdom Come , Morning Prayer and Worship led by Richard	Holy Rood
Tues 15	7-7.30pm	Thy Kingdom Come , Evening Prayer led by Colin	St Edmunds Church
Wed 16	9-9.30am	Thy Kingdom Come , Morning Prayer and Worship led by Richard	Holy Rood
Wed 16	9.45am	Fair Trade Stall during Wednesday Café	Oak Room
Wed 16	7-7.30pm	Thy Kingdom Come , Evening Prayer led by Richard	Holy Rood
Thurs 17	9-9.30am	Thy Kingdom Come , Morning Prayer and Worship led by Richard	Holy Rood
Thurs 17	7-7.30pm	Thy Kingdom Come , Evening Prayer led by Gary	St Edmunds
Fri 18	9-9.30am	Thy Kingdom Come , Morning Prayer and Worship led by Richard	Holy Rood
Fri 18	10am-12pm	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	Lychgate Green
Fri 18	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Fri 18	7-7.30pm	Thy Kingdom Come , Evening Prayer led by Beth	Holy Rood
Sat 19	10-11.30am	Who Let The Dads Out? Dads and children's activity morning. £2 per family, includes bacon butties.	Main Hall
Mon 21	7.15pm	PCC Meeting	Main Hall
Thurs 24	8-10pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub
Sat 26	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat	Beech Room
Thurs 31	6.30-7.30pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Beech Room

June

Tues 5	2pm	Mothers' Union meeting , with speaker Martin Granger	Main Hall
Tues 5	7.30pm	Parish Prayer Evening , all welcome	Main Hall
Wed 6	10.30am	Daytime Pastorate , with Revd Colin Prestidge speaking on ' <i>Jesus is the Life</i> ' Coffee served from 9.45am.	Oak Room
Fri 8	7.30-9.30pm	FAST youth group for school years 10-13	Centre
Fri 8 - Sun 10		Flower Festival open 10.30am - 5pm	St Edmunds Church
Tues 12	2-3.30pm	Cup of Tea and Company , Bereavement Support and Friendship	Main hall

Services on Sunday, 20 May

St. Edmund's: 9.30am BCP Holy Communion: Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge
 11.10am Holy Communion: Leader: Erica Wilkie Preacher: Revd Richard England
Holy Rood: 9.30am Morning Praise: Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Richard England
 6.30pm Ascent Prayer and Praise: Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge Preacher: Archdeacon Gavin Collins



Sunday, 13 May

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

Sunday 13 May (Easter 7)
St Edmund's

9.30am Morning Service Leader/Preacher: John Beavan
 Bible readings: 1 John 5:9-13 and John 17:6-19

Holy Rood

9.30am Holy Communion

Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Richard England
The Cause 4 'Work Matters' Bible reading: Luke 5:1-11

6.30pm Ascent Prayer and Praise

Leader: Archdeacon Gavin Collins Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge
Adam and Eve 'Be fruitful' Bible Reading: Genesis 1:26-28

Thursday 17 May, 10.30am, Mothers' Union Corporate Communion, in the Foster Room
 Led by Revd Colin Prestidge

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, 13 May

 **2020 VISION** If you were unable to make it to the APCM please pick up the **2020 Vision 'Resourcing our Vision'** pack if you have not done so already.

There will be a meeting in Holy Rood Church at 11am today for you to ask any questions you may have about the staffing and finance aspects.



THE KINGDOM COME WEEK OF PRAYER is a global wave of prayer

from 14 to 20 May, inviting Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. In Crofton parish we are running these prayer sessions which are open to everyone:

Monday 14 May, 9-9.30am and 7-7.30pm at Holy Rood, led by Richard

Tuesday 15 May, 9-9.30am at Holy Rood, led By Richard and 7-7.30pm at St Edmund's, led by Colin


Wednesday 16 May, 9-9.30am and 7-7.30pm at Holy Rood, led by Richard

Thursday 17 May, 9-9.30am at Holy Rood, led By Richard and 7-7.30pm at St Edmund's, led by Gary

Friday 18 May, 9-9.30am at Holy Rood, led By Richard and 7-7.30pm at Holy Rood, led by Beth

Please come along to all or any of these to pray together and wait on the Lord.

Ordination of Dan and Jude Greenfield


Please join our new Curates, Dan and Jude Greenfield, and share in the celebration of ministry as they are Ordained at Portsmouth Cathedral, Saturday 30 June. The Cathedral will open at 10.00am for the ordination of deacons, with the service at 11.00am. As there is no designated disabled parking, and parking around the Cathedral is limited and time-restricted, it is recommended that people use the Portsmouth Park and Ride service to Gunwharf Quays, with a five minute walk to the Cathedral. Those interested in attending are asked to register either on the hub  or on the sign up list in the foyer, by Sunday 3 June.

CALLING ALL YEAR 6 PARENTS We have our next open events for Flame Youth Group on **Friday 18th May and 8th June**. Please come and join in the fun from 3.15pm to 5pm, with games, food, discussions and loads more.


The Very Reverend David Brindley, Dean of Portsmouth is retiring and all are welcome at his final service on 10 June, 6pm in the Cathedral. If you wish to contribute to a farewell gift to David in acknowledgement of his substantial contribution to our life and ministry in the diocese these can be made by cheque or directly into the Cathedral's bank account (for payment details please see letter on the notice board). If you are planning to attend David's last service please would you email Liz Snowball, the Dean's PA on Liz.Snowball@portsmouthcathedral.org.uk

OBERAMMERGAU 2020. Canon Peter Hall, vicar of Crookhorn, is leading an 8-day holiday with McCabe Pilgrimages, to the Austrian Tyrol, which includes a performance of the world-famous Oberammergau Passion Play. Holiday Dates 19-26 August 2020. For more information or a brochure please contact Peter: vicar@cogs.org.uk or 02392251520.

MUSICAL YOUTH

 Calling all young people who can play an instrument. The Youth band are looking for new members, so if you can play at grade 3 level in any instrument or would like to learn to play Bass guitar, please contact Carolyn at carolyn@croftonparish.org.uk

PAINTBRUSHES AT THE READY!

 Our new curates arrive in June and we'd love to welcome them to the parish by ensuring their new home is freshly decorated. To enable us to do this we'd appreciate the help of a team of decorators. Planning to start on Monday 21st May, we're expecting this may take a couple of weeks, with people signing up to a rota. If you're interested or want to know more, please contact either Julie or Jim (churchwardens).

SUPPORTING CHILDREN IN OUR

SUNDAY GROUPS. We are in the process of organising some training in **British Sign Language** with a view to supporting children in our Sunday groups. If you would be interested in learning BSL and helping out with this important work, please contact the office.

PRAYING FOR OUR YOUTH

The May **Youth Prayer Newsletter** has been sent out via email this week. If you didn't receive it but would like to be on the mailing list, please email Carolyn at carolyn@croftonparish.org.uk

Please pray for

- **John**, Please pray for John as he starts the process for stem cell transplant, for a successful outcome over the next couple of months and peace for Christine and the family.
- **Sarah**, for healing and practical help from Social Services.
- **Toby**, Praise God for Toby's progress and thank you for continued prayer support.
- **Frank and Sandra**, in pain and struggling.
- **Graham Giles**, on mission with Europe2Europe during May and June. For full details, see email on notice board.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.** Today all parishes in our Deanery will be praying for the Parish of St. Peter's Titchfield. Vicar, Revd. Susan Allman and team. They give thanks for their parish weekend, new churchwardens and PCC and 8 years of Messy Church and they seek prayer support as they review their ministry among children and young people following the discontinuation of Messy Church.
- **Community Cycle of Prayer.** We pray for the residents of Stubbington Lane, Swordfish Close, Adeline Court and Amberley Court..

Please send any prayer requests to the church office
office@croftonparish.org.uk

We are delighted to share the great news that Toby has dramatically turned a corner after much prayer! Sleep has returned and doctors in Great Ormond Street are delighted with his progress. We are so thankful to everyone who has supported us and prayed for us. Toby will continue to visit Great Ormond Street but we are so relieved to know chemotherapy will be not be necessary. Tom and Jess.

CALLING ALL MEN



Thursday 24 May sees **IN THE ARENA**, an evening event in Southampton run by Care for the

Family that gives men the chance to hear some practical and tested advice that will not only help face life's challenges but make the best of the opportunities that come your way. For more information and tickets please see leaflets in the foyer or online at cff.org.uk/inthearena