



# Crofton Parish Diary

## May

**Thurs 31** 6.30-7.30pm **Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church** Beech Room

## June

**Fri 1** **No Flame after school youth group** (back Fri 8th)

**Sun 3** 11am **Fair Trade Stall** (1st Sunday of every month at coffee time) Main hall

**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 'Jesus is the Life' Coffee served from 9.45am. Oak Room

**Wed 6** 7-8.30pm **Fareham Borough Council CAT Meeting** Holy Rood Church

**Fri 8** 3.30-5pm **Flame after school youth group** for school years 7-10 Centre

**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

**Sat 9** 7.30am **Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat** Beech Room

**Tues 12** 2-3.30pm **Cup of Tea and Company**, Bereavement Support and Friendship Main hall

**Wed 13** 9.30am **Fair Trade stall** during Wednesday Café Oak Room

**Mon 18** 10am-12pm **St Edmund's Church open to visitors** Lychgate Green

**Tue 19** 12pm **Jessica Gunjal**, Hear first hand accounts of the reality of Human Trafficking in India (with bring and share lunch) St Paul's Sarisbury Green

**Tues 26** 7.15pm **PCC Meeting** Oak Room

**Wed 27** 9.45am **CAFÉ**, coffee and friendship for everyone Oak Room

**Thurs 28** 6.30-7.30pm **Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church** Beech Room

**Thurs 28** 8-10pm **Men's Pub Night** Crofton Pub

**Sat 30** **Ordination of Dan & Jude Greenfield**, Cathedral open from 10am for the ordination of Deacons with the service at 11am Portsmouth Cathedral

## Services on Sunday, 3 June

**St. Edmund's: 8am BCP Holy Communion** Leader/Preacher: Revd Richard England  
**11.10am Holy Communion:** Leader/Preacher: Revd Jane Richards

**Holy Rood: 9.30am Morning Praise:** Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Richard England  
**6.30pm Causeway** A service of prayer and praise especially for adults with learning disabilities but everyone welcome



## Sunday, 27 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 27 May** (Trinity Sunday)

### St Edmund's

**9.30am Morning Service** Leader/Preacher: Gary Willcocks  
 Bible reading: Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

### Holy Rood

**9.30am All in Morning Praise**  
 Leader: Sarah Donaghy Preacher: Revd Richard England  
**The Cause 6 'All Things New'** Bible reading: Revelation 21:1-5

### 6.30pm Ascent Holy Communion

Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge Preacher: Ruth Williams  
**Noah 'Build an Ark'** Bible reading: Genesis 6:9-22

**Thursday 31 May, 10.30am, Holy Communion**, in the Foster Room  
 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, 27 May

## 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.

### THANK YOU...



...to all those who have been cleaning, gardening and decorating 7 Darren Close. A great start has been made but a few more hands and paintbrushes would be appreciated. Someone will be there all day Wednesday and Thursday if you want to join a painting party! If you are able to offer a couple of hours this week then please let Julie or Jim know.

**ST EDMUND'S FLOWER FESTIVAL**, Friday 8th to Sunday 10th June, is open each day from 10am to 5pm, with refreshments, including cream teas, available daily. On Friday there is a Woodcraft and Craft Jewellery stall and on Saturday there will be a Plant stall. The Grand Draw will take place at 3.30pm on Sunday and the Festival will close with a musical review of the Flower Arrangement themes, led by the St Edmund Singers at 4pm. Admission is free and everyone will be made very welcome. Donations go to the upkeep of St Edmunds Church.

### YOU ARE WELCOME


**We love to welcome new people to Holy Rood and St Edmund's and we want you to feel at home.** To help us get to know you please visit the welcome table at Holy Rood after the 9.30am service, or speak to a minister or steward and fill in a welcome card with a few details about yourself. There are welcome packs in both churches with information about services, groups, children's and youth work and much more. On **Sunday 24 June** there will be a get together in the Oak Room after the 9.30am service for anyone who has joined the church in the last 6 months or so. We'd love to see you there.

**Mothers' Union** warmly invite visitors to their branch meeting on Tuesday 5 June starting at 2pm to hear Martin Granger speak on the Crowhurst Christian Healing Centre.


**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

**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.

### SUNDAY COFFEE AT HOLY ROOD

Thank you to those who prepare and serve Sunday coffee at Holy Rood.  However, two or three people are needed to join the 5th Sunday coffee team who are on duty four times a year, the next one being 29th July. Full training given. We are also looking for two people to serve tea/coffee to newcomers after the morning service on the first Sunday of each month. Please contact Gill Nolan ([occadmin@croftonparish.org.uk](mailto:occadmin@croftonparish.org.uk)) or Julie Mizen ([julie@croftonparish.org.uk](mailto:julie@croftonparish.org.uk)).

### 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](mailto:carolyn@croftonparish.org.uk)

**YEAR 6 PARENTS** We have our next open event for Flame Youth Group on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June**. Please come and join in the fun from 3.15pm to 5pm, with games, food, discussions and loads more.

**OBERRAMMERGAU 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](mailto:vicar@cogs.org.uk) or 02392251520.

### 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**, Please pray that a date can be fixed for surgery asap. Pray also for pain relief and sleep. Sarah is thankful for continued prayer support.
- **Frank and Sandra**, in pain and struggling.
- **Gemma**, as she goes back into hospital in Oxford for 2 weeks starting 4 June. Pray that the Doctors can continue to help her in her recovery.
- **Graham Giles**, in Kiev with Europe2Europe, 30 May to 2 June to pray and work with the Ukrainian Parliament and other intercessors. For full details, see email on notice board.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.** Today all parishes in our Deanery will be praying for Whiteley church. Clergy Philippa Mills and Sandy Matheson and Church Wardens. They give thanks for those serving on PCC and in the community and for the opportunity to appoint a part-time Pioneer Minister. They also seek prayer support for their trial pattern of services, for those who are responsible for Whiteley Church and for a new Governor for Cornerstone School.
- **Community Cycle of Prayer.** We pray for all of the shops and business premises in Stubbington and Hill Head. Pray for the staff and clients.

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

### MOTHERS' UNION—WHO ARE WE?

Take a look at our YouTube channel [www.youtube.com/watch?v=kERCG7y52mc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kERCG7y52mc) and see the history and impact of the work of the Mothers' Union, along with the ambitious targets we want to reach by 2021. For more information on our local branch please speak to Anne Bebbington.

**THE HAMMOND MEMORIAL HALL TRUST** is a charity registered in 1971 from the proceeds of the sale of the former Hammond Hall, Stubbington. Funds are distributed by way of grants to Charitable Associations, Bodies and Organisations for recreational purposes for social welfare and improving the life of inhabitants in the Stubbington and Hill Head area. If your organisation is not for profit and helps residents in the area of benefit, you may apply for a grant from the Trust by emailing [hammondmemorialtrust@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hammondmemorialtrust@yahoo.co.uk) or via the website [www.hammondmemorialhalltrust.btck.co.uk](http://www.hammondmemorialhalltrust.btck.co.uk)