



Crofton Parish Diary

AUGUST

Wed 1	9.45am	No CAFÉ, back 8 August	
Tues 7	10am-4pm	Mothers' Union Day at the Wheelhouse	
Tues 7	7.30pm	Parish Prayer Evening, all welcome	Hall
Wed 8	9.45am	CAFÉ, coffee and friendship for everyone	Oak Room
Sat 11	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat	Beech Room
Tues 14	2-3.30pm	Cup of Tea and Company, Bereavement Support and Friendship	Hall
Thurs 23	8pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub
Sat 25	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat	Beech Room

SEPTEMBER

Tues 4	2pm	Mothers' Union meeting	Hall
Tues 4	7.30pm	Parish Prayer Evening, all welcome	Hall
Wed 5	10.30am	Daytime Pastorate, Coffee served from 9.45am.	Oak Room
Sat 8	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat	Beech Room
Tues 11	11am-5pm	Cup of Tea and Company, Bereavement Support and Friendship	Hall
Fri 14	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Fri 14	7.30-9.30pm	FAST youth group for school years 10-13	Centre
Tues 18	10am-12pm	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	Lychgate Green
Mon 24	7.15pm	PCC Meeting	Hall
Thurs	6.30-7.30pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Beech Room
Thurs 27	8-10pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub

Services on Sunday, 5 August

St. Edmund's: 8am BCP Holy Communion: Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge
 11.10am Holy Communion: Leader Revd Coin Prestidge Preacher: Karen Wainwright

Holy Rood: 9.30am All Age Summer Service: Leader: Sarah Donaghy Preacher: Beth Yeandle
 6.30pm Causeway: a service designed for adults with learning disabilities, but all are welcome.



Sunday, 29 July

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 29 July (Trinity 9)

St Edmunds

9.30 am: Holy Communion Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge
 Bible readings: Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21

Holy Rood

9.30am Morning Praise with Baptism
 Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Dan Greenfield
 'Overcoming the Monster' Bible Reading: Colossian 2:13-15

Thursday 2 August, 10.30am, Holy Communion, in the Foster Room, Led by Revd Beryl Stares and Jim Palmer

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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 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, 29 July



**Come and join us this Summer
Sundays from 29 July**



9.30am, Holy Rood Church, **Once Upon a Time**, The Story at the heart of all stories.

Once Upon a Time on 5 August we'll be looking at **Cinderella** and we'd love you to all come dressed up as one of the many characters involved. Meanwhile as Ascent takes a break over the summer, our Summer Study Series will be looking at the book of **Acts**, the story of the first followers of Jesus, 6.30pm in the Parish Centre Hall. Pick up a flyer at the back of the church.

Causeway will continue as usual during the holidays, with services on 5 August and 2 September.

After many faithful years of arranging the distribution of the **Churches Together Parish Christmas Cards**, Beryl Harris is stepping down. We would like to thank Beryl for her years of dedication and now ask for a willing volunteer to take over the role. Beryl will gladly guide our new volunteer through the process. Please contact the church office for further details.

SUNDAY COFFEE AT HOLY ROOD



Thank you to those who have offered to prepare and serve coffee today at Holy Rood. However, we are still looking for two or three people to join the **5th Sunday coffee team** who are on duty four times a year, the next one being **30 September**. Full training given. Please contact Gill Nolan (occadmin@croftonparish.org.uk)

NEW WINE WEEK B (5-11 August 2018)

If you have booked and asked to camp with the church for **New Wine Week B** (15-11 August 2018) please contact the church office to be added to the list.

Help Needed



We need people to join our wonderful creche team, offering support to families with young children. We need people who are good **listeners** as much as those who would love to cuddle babies or **play** with train sets. We also need people willing to **help** set-up and clear-down the creche area. Training would be provided and you would be part of a supportive team. To find out more contact Heather Brown through the church office or via email childrensadmin@croftonparish.org.uk



Mothers Union are having their **Summer of Hope Appeal** tea and cake afternoon at the Rotary Wheelhouse on Tuesday 7 August, 2pm. Please come along and support our efforts to help others less fortunate than ourselves.

There will be no **Wednesday Morning Café** this week (1 August).

Normal service will resume
Wednesday 8th.

We are already taking Church Centre bookings for next year, so please



will regular users of the Church Centre let the office have 2019 dates as soon as possible by email to holyroodcentrebookings@googlemail.com

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 in the hall at Holy Rood for a chat and cuppa after the 9.30am service, or speak to a minister or steward. There are welcome packs in both churches with information about services, groups, children's and youth work and much more.

PRAYING FOR OUR YOUTH

If you would like to pray for our youth and the youth work here at Holy Rood we have a monthly prayer newsletter (by email) to keep you up to date with events and prayer requests. To receive a copy please email Carolyn at carolyn@croftonparish.org.uk

Please pray for

- **John**, Stem cells successfully harvested but transplant postponed until September to allow two more cycles of chemotherapy. John and the family appreciate your continued prayers.
- **Sarah**, Now home following surgery. Please pray for pain relief and healing in preparation of further surgery. Sarah is thankful for continued prayer and welcomes visitors.
- **Richard**, In Southampton Hospital, improving slowly and in positive mood. Please pray for continuing improvement for Richard and peace for the rest of the family.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer**. Today all parishes in our Deanery will be praying for us here in Crofton, for Richard and the staff team, readers and wardens. We give thanks for the arrival of our new Curates, Dan and Jude Greenfield and their daughter Thea; for the continued growth of our St Edmunds Congregation and for the success of our Family Fun Afternoons and the volunteers that have supported the event. We would value prayers for rest and refreshment for all staff and volunteers in our parish over the summer; For Dan and Jude as they begin their ministry and settle into the Parish life here at Crofton, for Thea as she gets used to her new nursery and childminder and for the appointment of a Parish manager, a new role, during the Autumn season.
- **Community Cycle of Prayer**. We pray for the residents of Cuckoo Lane, Plover Close and Robins Close.

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

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