



Crofton Parish Diary

OCTOBER

Tues 2	2pm	Mothers' Union Meeting Speakers: Dan & Jude Greenfield	Hall
Tues 2	7.30pm	Parish Prayer Evening , all welcome	Hall
Wed 3	10.30am	Daytime Pastorate , coffee served from 9.45am	Oak Room
Fri 5	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Sat 6	2-3:30pm	CK Family Fun Harvest Special	HR Church & Centre
Sat 6	7.30pm	U3A Choir Concert	Holy Rood
Sun 7	9:30am	Harvest & Gift Day	Holy Rood
Sun 7	11am	Fair Trade Stall (1st Sunday of every month at coffee time)	Hall
Sun 7	11:10am	Harvest & Gift Day	St Edmund's
Tues 9	2-3:30pm	Cup of Tea and Company , Bereavement Support and Friendship	Hall
Fri 12	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Fri 12	7.30-9.30pm	FAST youth group for school years 10-13	Centre
Sat 13	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat	Beech Room
Sat 13	9.30-11am	Homegroup Leaders' meeting	Oak Room
Sun 14	9:30am	Harvest & Gift Day	St Edmund's
Wed 17	9:30am	Fair Trade stall during Wednesday Café	Oak Room
Thurs 18	10am-12noon	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	Lychgate Green
Thurs 18	7.30pm	PCC Meeting	Hall
Sat 20	7.30pm	FOCOC Harvest Supper	Hall
Sun 21	3pm	Memorial Service & Tea	Church/Hall
Thurs 25	4-5pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Oak Room
Thurs 25	8-10pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub
Sat 27	7.30am	Men's early morning prayer meeting & every 2nd & 4th Sat	Beech Room

NOVEMBER

Sat 3	11am-2pm	Café run by the young people	Hall
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Services on Sunday 7 October

St. Edmund's: 8.00am BCP Holy Communion:	Leader/Preacher: Revd Richard England
11:10am Harvest Holy Communion:	Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge Preacher: Revd Jude Greenfield
Holy Rood: 9.30am Harvest All Age Service:	Leaders Revd Richard England/Sarah Donaghy Preacher: Revd Jude Greenfield
6.30pm Causeway:	A service especially for adults with learning disabilities, but everyone welcome



Sunday 30 September

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 30 September (Trinity 18)

St Edmund's

9.30am Holy Communion

Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge

Kings Cross 4: The Rest Bible readings: James 5:13-20; Mark 2:23-36

Holy Rood

9.30am Morning Praise

Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Richard England

Kings Cross 4: The Rest Bible reading: Mark 2:23-36

6.30pm Ascent Prayer & Praise

Leader/Preacher: Revd Richard England

Cry for Justice Bible reading: Luke 18:1-8

Thursday 4 October, 10.30am, Holy Communion, in the Foster Room

Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge Preacher: Karen Wainwright

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 **Curates:** Dan & Jude Greenfield

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, 30 September

Kings Cross—the story of the world in the life of Jesus. To support this term's sermon series, we still have a few copies of the 'Kings Cross' book by Timothy Keller available for sale at £7 per copy. You can buy/order these after services or from the Parish Office during the week—and you can now pay by card!



FAMILY FUN HARVEST SPECIAL next Saturday, 6th October, 2pm-3:30pm for families with children up to the age of 11 to have fun and learn together. Sports Zone, Adventure Zone, Build Zone, Tech Zone, Glamour Zone, Baby Zone, Prayer Zone, Harvest Craft, Autumn Hunt, Den Building, Welly Whanging and a cafe - ending with a fun Family Worship time. **You are invited to bring a donation of non-perishable foods for the Basics Bank.** £3 per family including refreshments. Once again, **lots of cakes will be needed—small individual cakes preferred and NOTHING WITH ANY NUTS.** If you can help, please bring your cakes to the kitchen or office at the end of this week. Please complete an allergens checklist (on the tables at the back of the church or available from the church office) and hand in with your cakes. Thank you.

HARVEST SERVICES will be next Sunday, 7th October, 9:30 at Holy Rood and 11:10 at St Edmund's and on Sunday 14th October, 9:30am at St Edmund's. Gifts of non-perishable foods for the Fareham and Gosport Basics Bank will be welcome.



Harvest Sundays are also our 2018 GIFT DAYS.

Pledge forms are available today. These give more details about how/when gifts can be made and will be collected in at our Harvest Services.

John Guest has donated some wonderful mounted photographs, some taken locally, some in the Galapagos. These are available after the service today. All money raised will go to the Gift Day.

Stubbington U3A choir is giving a concert at Holy Rood Church next Saturday, 6th October, starting at 7.30pm. Tickets at £7.50 each are available from Holy Rood office or on the door. The choir will sing well-loved songs by Gershwin, Rogers and Hammerstein, Irving Berlin, the Beatles and others. Concert in aid of Holy Rood Church funds.

Free to Be: an event for Christian women run by Care for the Family in partnership with Spring Harvest. Speakers: Cathy Madavan & Bekah Legg. **Thursday 11th October, 7:30-10pm at City Life Church, Portsmouth.** Tickets £6 each. Book online cff.org.uk/freetobe or phone 029 2081 0800.



Buggies and Bibles (daytime homegroup with creche) meets on **Friday mornings, 10-11:30am**, during term time at the back of the church. Refreshments served from 9.30am. If you are a (grand) parent or carer of young children you are very welcome to come with or without the children you look after. We have a cuppa and a chat and study the Bible together while the children play. Please contact Heather Brown at childrensadmin@croftonparish.org.uk for further information or to offer help with the creche.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY GROUPS

Due to increased numbers in some of our groups, more people are needed to help with Scramblers (3-4-year olds) and Climbers (4-7 year olds), ideally once a month but occasional helpers would also be welcome. For more details, please contact Gill Nolan or Heather Brown at childrensadmin@croftonparish.org.uk



King's Cross Home Group Questions Week 4—The Rest

1. What struck you about what you heard/read? Was there anything you didn't understand or agree with?
2. On Sunday, we described Law vs Grace as 'I obey, therefore I'm accepted' vs 'I'm accepted, therefore I obey.' Which of these phrases do you most relate to? Why?
3. Do you have a regular day of rest? How do you use that day to be restored and recreated? If not, what changes could you make to allow you and your household to have one?

The PCC wish to appoint a SENIORS TEAM LEAD.

This exciting new part-time (15 hours a week) position is being created to work alongside our existing groups and develop our pastoral care, mission and ministry towards this generation.

To find out more, download the job description and covering letter from the website at www.croftonparish.org.uk.

You can apply for this post by sending your CV and a covering letter, explaining why you feel you might be a suitable candidate, via email to vicarspa@croftonparish.org.uk

The closing date for applications is midday, Friday 12th October.

Please pray for

- **John**, as he awaits admission to hospital for stem cell transplant. Please continue to pray for healing and peace for John's family.
- **Sarah**, still far from well with post op infection. Pray for healing and the Holy Spirit's peace on both Sarah and Andrew as they try to cope with it all. Visitors welcome afternoons and evenings.
- **Valerie** as she recovers from a successful brain operation.
- **Joan**, very poorly at home.
- **Graham**, on mission in Romania for two weeks, working with disadvantaged and disabled young people in Centres for Social Development and meeting with leaders in the Justice, Health and NGO sectors.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.** Today we pray for the Parish of St. Peter's Titchfield, Vicar: Revd Susan Allman, Deacon: Revd Janet Trevithick. They give thanks for the generosity of those who gave to their 'Thanksgiving gift' appeal and their Harvest celebrations. They ask for prayer for the renewal of their healing ministry and for their get together with families to explore their experiences of church and how parents and children become fully integrated in the life and worship of the Church.
- **Community Cycle of Prayer.** Today we pray for the residents of Beverley Road, Springfield Way, Link Way, Dallington Close, Farm Edge Road, Ferncroft Close, Mulberry Avenue and Tamarisk Close.

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

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

For many years we have run a lunch on Christmas Day for those who have nowhere else to go. **We now have a core team of new volunteers to run this important ministry this year.** However, more helpers are needed, so if you feel that you would like to help out in the kitchen or at front of house, please contact the office. Full support will be given by those who have done this in the past.

GARDNER NEEDED for a couple of hours a week to mow the lawn, cut hedges and generally keep things tidy. Contact Peggy Lawton.



Gift Day 2018 Pledge Form

Name:.....

(Your details are kept in strict confidence. Only our Finance Team will see this form.)

My contribution to the Crofton Parish 2018 Gift Day is:

£

I will be making my contribution

As a gift today

As an IOU

(Please redeem your pledge within 7 days. Thank you.)

I will be giving by

Cash/Cheque

Please make cheques payable to 'Crofton PCC'

Online donation

via croftonparish.org.uk/give

Credit/Debit Card

via Card Readers in church

Bank Transfer

Crofton PCC, CAF Bank A/C 00016204 Sort Code 40-52-40

Please Gift Aid my contribution Yes No

(If we don't have your details, our Finance Team will be in touch to confirm this.)

Thank you for your contribution to Crofton Parish