



Crofton Parish Diary

February

Tue 5	2pm	Mothers' Union Meeting AGM	Hall
Tue 5	7.30pm	Parish Prayer Meeting, led by Revd Richard England	Hall
Wed 6	9.30-11am	Little Fish Toddler Group	Hall
Wed 6	10.30am	Day Time Pastorate, speaker, Erica Wilkie on 'Sick Girl & Sick Woman'. All welcome, coffee served from 9.45am	Oak Room
Wed 6	12 noon	Prayer Walk	Holy Rood
Wed 6	7-9.30pm	Alpha Course, 4th session	Holy Rood
Thu 7	10-11.30am	Little Fish Toddler Group	Hall
Fri 8	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Sat 9	2-3.30pm	Family Fun afternoon £3 per family.	Holy Rood
Tue 12	2-3.30pm	Cup of Tea and Company, Bereavement Support and Friendship	Hall
Sat 16	9.30-11am	Homegroup Leaders Meeting	Oak Room
Mon 18	10am-12noon	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	St Edmund's
Mon 25	7.15pm	PCC Meeting	Hall
Thu 28	4-5pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Oak Room
Thu 28	8pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub

March

Fri 1	1.45pm	World Day of Prayer St Faith's, Lee on Solent	St Faith's
Sun 3	11am	Fair Trade Stall (1st Sunday of every month at coffee time)	Hall

Services on Sunday 10 February

St. Edmund's: 9.30am Morning Service Leader: Revd Richard England Preacher: Gary Willcocks

Holy Rood: 9.30am Holy Communion Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge Preacher: Beth Yeandle
6.30pm Ascent Leader/Preacher: Revd Dan Greenfield



Sunday 3 February 2019

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 3 February (Epiphany 4)

St Edmund's

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

Leader/Preacher: Ven Gavin Collins
Bible readings: Romans 13:1-7; Matthew 8:23-34

11.10am Holy Communion

Leader: Revd Beryl Stares Preacher: Revd Dan Greenfield
Bible readings: Philippians 4:4-20; Luke 2:22-40

Holy Rood

9.30am Morning Praise

Leader: Revd Jude Greenfield Preacher: Revd Richard England
Follow: Finance Bible reading: Philippians 4:4-20

6.30pm Causeway

A service especially for adults with learning disabilities, but everyone welcome

Thursday 7 February, 10.30am, Holy Communion in the Foster Room

Leader/Preacher: Revd Wing Man Tsang

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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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, 3 February

PARISH GIVING SCHEME Today we are launching our new Parish Giving Scheme at Holy Rood. Please ensure that you collect a pack before you leave. Steve Lazell and Jane Dilloway will be available to answer any questions after the service this morning! For more information on Giving in Crofton Parish please go to croftonparish.org.uk/give.

MONTHLY PARISH PRAYER MEETING As part of our 2019 commitment to be 'Faithful in Prayer', we are relaunching our monthly Parish Prayer Meeting. The first one is **THIS WEEK Tuesday 5 February at 7.30pm**. You are very welcome to come along for a time of worship and seeking the Lord together.

FAMILY FUN AFTERNOON—Saturday 9 February 2pm-3:30pm. Family fun is back! It is aimed at families with primary school aged children, but if your children are a little younger or older, you are still welcome to come along. There will be a art zone, challenge zone, build zone, tech zone, glamour zone, baby zone, prayer zone, craft zone and cafe - ending with a fun Family Worship time. £3 per family including refreshments. Once again, **lots of cakes will be needed. If you can help, we would be most grateful - small individual cakes only please and NOTHING WITH ANY NUTS.** Please complete an allergens checklist (on the tables at the back of the church or available from the Parish Office) and hand in with your cakes to the kitchen or office on Friday 8 February. For the Family Fun afternoon **we need large (flattened) cardboard boxes and glass or plastic jam jars with lids** (no pickle jars). Please bring them to the Parish Office or give them to Heather Brown. Thank you!

FOCOC BEETLE DRIVE with fish and chip supper, **Saturday 23 February** at 7pm in the Holy Rood Centre. Tickets cost £8 and are available from the Parish Office or Peter Gladwell. You are welcome to bring your own drinks. This is a fun evening that can be enjoyed by all ages, so bring your friends and family!

JEFF GENNINGS is again teaching on behalf of School of Ministries, this time in Monrovia, Liberia. He will be travelling out on Friday 8 February and returning on Saturday 16. The teaching topic is "The Holy Spirit" and the expected number of church leaders attending is 70. Please pray for the Holy Spirit's anointing for good communication and for health and safety during this trip.

GRAHAM GILES is travelling to America from 3 to 23 February. He will be attending the Annual National and Presidential Prayer breakfasts in Washington and initiating a drug detox mission in rural Tennessee. Please pray for Graham during his overseas missions.

FAREHAM & GOPORT BASICS BANK Please remember that we have regular collections of food and toiletries for the Basics Bank on the 1st Sunday of the month at Holy Rood, and on 1st and 2nd Sundays at St Edmund's. They are particularly requesting tinned carrots, peas, sweetcorn, potatoes, minced beef, stewing steak, chicken in white wine sauce, tuna & other fish and jars of pasta sauce.

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.

FOLLOW

Lord Jesus Christ,
In 2019, may we be
Faithful in Prayer
Willing to Care
And Ready to Share.
Would you
Pour out your Spirit,
Show us your goodness
And use us for your glory.
In Jesus' name, Amen.

Follow: In 2019 (Vision Sunday)

Follow: Run the Race

Follow: Prayer

Follow: Relationships

Follow: Finances

Follow: Purpose

Follow: For Life



**CROFTON NEEDS
YOU!**



Are you interested in joining one of our wonderful teams working with our under 18s? If you would like more information please sign up on the sheets at the back of Holy Rood and a member of the relevant team will contact you!



**THE FAIR TRADE STALL IS
TODAY** at Holy Rood in the hall after the 9.30am service. Stock up on your Fair Trade items such as coffee, tea, dried fruit, cookies, chocolate and much more.

Please pray for

- **Sarah**, Sarah is having her medication reduced to enable further tests. Please pray for healing and strength for a holiday in February.
- **Pam**, Pam is back home having been in hospital following a series of strokes. Please pray for Pam and the family.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.**
Today all churches in the Fareham Deanery will be praying for the **Parish of St Mary's, Hook with Warsash**. Clergy: Revds Mike & Nicky-Sue Terry, Revd George Gebauer, Revd Bill Day, Revd Roger Moseley; Readers: Mrs June Ward, Mrs Eva Upward; Wardens: Mr Peter Upward & Mr Roger Clear. They give thanks for a good start to 2019 following great Christmas services; good relationships established with parents through their babes and toddlers' groups; some initial plans being developed to celebrate their 150th anniversary in 2021. They ask for prayer for renewed impetus in their Growing Our Church (LYCiG) plans; continued wisdom as they seek to develop their musical ministry; funding to repair holes in their church roof and windows.
- **Community Cycle of Prayer.**
This week we pray for the residents of Eric Road, Martin Avenue, Elizabeth Road, Francis Place & Fay Close. **For prayer walking please meet at Holy Rood.**

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

FRED HOCKING Sadly Fred died earlier during the week. He has in the past been a regular member of the 11.10 congregation.

EMERGENCY PIANIST The Methodist Church in Stubbington are looking for someone to play the piano during services in an emergency. If you would be able to help, please contact the parish office.

BATH Bob Fisher has a corner bath 1400x1400 that is no longer required. Please contact him if you know someone who would be interested in taking it.