



# Crofton Parish Diary

## June

Sun 2	10.45am	Fair Trade Stall (1st Sunday of every month at coffee time)	Hall
Mon 3-Fri 7	9-9.30am	Thy Kingdom Come - Week of Morning Prayer	Holy Rood
Mon 3-Fri 7	7-7.30am	Thy Kingdom Come - Week of Evening Prayer Mon, Wed, Fri at Holy Rood, Tue, Thu at St Edmund's	Holy Rood & St Edmund's
Tue 4	2pm	Mothers' Union Meeting, speakers, Revd David & Jan Wilson	Hall
Tue 4	7.30pm	<b>Please be aware that there will be no parish prayer meeting this month</b>	
Wed 5	9.30-11.00am	Little Fish Toddler Group	Hall
Wed 5	10.20am	Day Time Pastorate, all welcome, coffee served from 9.45am	Oak Room
Wed 5	12 noon	Prayer Walking, please meet at the junction of Old Street and Cuckoo Lane	Old Street
Thu 6	10-11.30am	Little Fish Toddler Group	Hall
Fri 7	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Fri 7	6-7.30pm	New Families Group, please see inside for more information	Hall
Sat 8	10am-5pm	St Edmund's Church Open Day	St Edmund's
Sun 9	1-4pm	The BIG Prayer Picnic, join with churches across Portsmouth, Hampshire & IOW	Portchester Castle
Tue 11	2-3.30pm	Cup of Tea and Company, Bereavement Support and Friendship	Hall
Tue 11	7.30-10pm	In the Arena, speakers Rob Parsons & Gerrit Bantjes	City Life Church
Wed 12	9.45am	Café coffee and friendship for everyone	Oak Room
Mon 17	7.30pm	PCC Meeting	Hall
Tue 18	10am-12noon	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	St Edmund's
Thu 27	4-5pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Oak Room
Thu 27	8pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub
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Sun 7	4.30pm	New Wine, a meeting for all those going to New Wine 2019	Hall

## Services on Sunday 9 June

**St. Edmund's: 9.30am Morning Service** Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge

**Holy Rood: 9.30am Holy Communion** Leader: Revd Richard England  
Preacher: Revd Dan Greenfield

**Due to The BIG Prayer Picnic there will be no evening service.**



## Sunday 2 June 2019

**Thank you for joining us today at Holy Rood and St Edmund's churches** - you are among friends, and if you are new 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 2 June (Easter 6)

#### St Edmund's

#### 8.00am BCP Holy Communion

Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge

Bible readings: 1 Peter 4:7-11; John 15:26 - 16:4a

#### 11.10am Holy Communion

Leader: Revd Colin Prestidge Preacher: Revd Richard England

Bible readings: Acts 16:16-34; John 17:20-26

#### Holy Rood

#### 9.30am Morning Praise

Leader: Revd Jude Greenfield Preacher: Revd Richard England

**Be Well Series - Be Free** Bible reading: Romans 6:1-18

#### 6.30pm Causeway

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

**Thursday 6 June, 10.30am, Holy Communion** in the Foster Room

Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge

**Our congregations are encouraged to see giving as part of our worship;**

this is often planned giving through the Parish Giving Scheme, by standing order or envelope, and there is also opportunity to make an offering during services including payment by card or Android/Apple Pay.

Please use the Gift Aid envelopes where possible.

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**Vicar:** Revd Richard England **Assistant Minister:** Revd Colin Prestidge

**Curates:** Revd Dan & Revd 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, 2 June

**THY KINGDOM COME** In 2019, we are again participating in the international prayer movement, 'Thy Kingdom Come'. This event invites us to 'light up the world in prayer'. Crofton Parish will be joining Thy Kingdom Come in two ways.

### Week of Prayer Mon 3 June - Fri 7 June

9-9.30am Morning Prayer at Holy Rood  
12 noon Praying the Lord's Prayer (wherever you are)  
7-7.30pm Evening Prayer Mon, Wed, Fri at Holy Rood Church Tue, Thu at St Edmund's

### The Big Prayer Picnic Sun 9 June

In 2019, we are supporting Portsmouth Diocese's first Thy Kingdom Come Beacon Event from 1-4pm at Portchester Castle.

1-2.30pm The Big Prayer Picnic  
2.30-4pm Prayer & Worship Event - please see The Big Prayer Picnic flyer for more details. There will be a reasonably-priced BBQ with burgers, hot dogs and drinks for sale or bring your own picnic. **We have been asked to provide four stewards for the main gate**, who would need to attend a briefing at 11.30am on the day. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office.

**NEW GROUP FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN** A relaxed weekly get together for Christian parents that kids can attend. Bring your evening meal e.g. fish and chips and chat about life while getting to know other families. It starts on **Friday 7 June** and runs from **6pm-7.30pm** in the church hall. Please come and try it out! For more information please speak to Chris or Claire Willis.

**FOCOC OPEN DAY AT ST EDMUND'S** is being held on **Saturday 8 June** from **10.00am till 5.00pm**. The Crofton Anne Dale School choir will be singing at 11.00am and there will be historical guided tours at midday and 2.00pm. Cream teas and refreshments will be served all day and there are games, a Grand Draw, a Church quiz and the ever popular Plant Stall. Everyone is welcome, so do come along and bring your friends, admission is free. All donations go to the upkeep of St Edmund's Church.

**IN THE ARENA - Tuesday 11 June, 7.30pm, City Life Church, PO3 6JH** This event gives men the chance to hear some practical and tested advice that will not only help them face life's challenges, but make the best of opportunities that come their way. Rob Parsons will present the evening together with Gerrit Bantjes, previously a paratrooper and fitness coach to Cardiff Rugby Club. Together they will talk about some critical areas of everyday life - friendships, finance, faith, family, character and career. To book [cff.org.uk/inthearena](http://cff.org.uk/inthearena) (Tickets from £5).

**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. There are welcome packs in both churches with information about services, groups, children's and youth work and much more. **On Sunday, 16 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.

**"OPEN" MEETING** There will be a meeting **today, Sunday 2 June**, in the Oak Room at 11.00am for those who have expressed an interest in joining the "OPEN" team. For those who are unable to attend there will be a meeting on **Tuesday 4 June at 1.30pm** in the Foster Room. Denise, Andy and Karen look forward to meeting up with you.

## Home Group Questions Be Well - Be Free

1. What struck you about what you heard?
2. Was there anything you didn't understand or agree with?

**ERICA WILKIE** On **Saturday 29 June at 11.00am** in the **Cathedral Church of St Thomas of Canterbury**, Old Portsmouth, Erica will be ordained deacon by Bishop Christopher and at **4.00pm** that afternoon Dan & Jude Greenfield will be priested. Members of Crofton Parish are very welcome to come along and support them.

**GOSPORT SCHOOL PASTORS** go into Bay House and Brune Park Schools to befriend and support students. They are looking for people to pray for the work of school pastors locally and will be handing out prayer book marks at the end of the service. Could you be a School Pastor? If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to Andy Williams or Karyl Lewis. College Pastors under the auspices of Fareham churches have a similar role in Fareham College and CEMAST. Could you be a College Pastor? If you are interested and would like to know more, please speak to Andy Williams.

**GRAHAM GILES** Please pray for Graham during his next mission trip 2-15 June. He is flying to Israel to participate in the Jerusalem Prayer Breakfast. The following week he is travelling to Romania to prepare volunteers who will lead high-school camps during the summer.

**COMMUNITY CYCLE OF PRAYER**  
This week we pray for the residents of Old Street, Turtle Close, Dolphin Court, Berry Lane & Crabthorne Farm Lane. **For prayer walking please meet at the junction of Old Street & Cuckoo Lane.**

## Please pray for .....

- **Sarah**, has recently started new medication. Please pray that the treatment will be effective.
- **Barbara**, recovering from an injury to her leg. Please pray for healing, relief from pain and greater mobility.
- **Beryl**, is at home continuing with her recovery following a broken hip. She would love to receive visitors, however, please do call in advance.
- **Margaret**, is improving. Please continue to pray for her, Mel and the family as they face the future.
- **Graham**, is awaiting blood results to confirm that the infection has gone and waiting to find out if they are going to treat his heart with medication as opposed to surgery. Also will be undergoing a CT scan to check the brain following a problem with his eyesight. Please pray for continued healing.
- **Jessica**, 4 years old & diagnosed with leukaemia, is still in hospital with a fungal infection, but on the mend and restarting chemo. Please continue to pray for healing and freedom from further infections. Please also pray for peace & strength for the whole family.
- **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.**  
**Today** all churches in the Fareham Deanery will be praying for the **Parish of Holy Trinity with St Columba, Fareham**. Stipendiary Clergy: Sally Davenport, Greg Bakker, Wendy May Jacobs; PTO Clergy: Ann Burr, Michael Cooper, Ruth Jagger, Judy Henning, Doreen Jackson, Sylvia Martin, Gary & Lorraine Snape; Reader: David Inns. They give thanks for Manager Penny and all the volunteers who work so hard to make The Hub a welcoming space for the community; the return of Ruth Jagger to the parish on retirement; Fiona & Jackie who give them such great support in the parish office; their volunteer receptionists and church welcomers who enable Holy Trinity church to be open to the public for prayer and reflection. They seek prayer for their St Columba Fair on 8 June & that good contacts will be made and strengthened with the community; their parish cream tea on 16 June to celebrate their patronal festivals; Rev Wendy May Jacobs and her priesting on 29 June and joint parish service on 30 June for her First celebration of Communion; a growing awareness, and hence excitement, in where God is at work around the parish.

Please send any prayer requests to the Parish Office  
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