

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Galatians 6:9-10

WELCOME to St Richard's News update 23 March 2025

Sunday 23 March Morning service 10.45am

(Sunday Club with self-service crèche, & Lasers!)

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Evening service at All Saints – 6.30pm – HOLY COMMUNION - Practising the Way: Prayer - Matt 6:9-10

Notices...

The Electoral Roll count 2025

This year every parish in the Church of England is required to create a new Electoral Roll which means everyone who would like to be on it needs to apply to join. This is in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on 18th May. Being on the Roll enables you to vote at the APCM,



but more importantly is a way of saying you belong to our Church Family. You are eligible if you are baptised, and live in the parish or, if not in the parish, have been worshipping regularly with us for 6 months (unless unable to do so by illness).

Please help reduce the admin by applying electronically

Paper copies of the forms will be in the pigeonholes of those currently on the roll without email.

Southern Crowborough Ladies Breakfast

12th April - 9am - St. Richards Hall

Tickets £5 available via this <u>link</u>: or contact Trish at the church office 01892 611318.

There will be a short introductory talk. Please come and join us and better still, bring a friend!



This Tuesday Christianity Explored Course starts

Christianity Explored is an 8 session course that seeks to answner three key questions about Christianity:

Who is Jesus? What did he achieve? How should we respond?

This is an interactive course, where there is plenty of opportunity to bring your questions.



Prom Praise Wonder at the Royal Albert Hall

With the All Souls Orchestra on Saturday 3rd May. More details via link https://bit.ly/40sfzEK

What's on this week...

MONDAYS

A Walk in the Park – 9.30-10.30am

meeting in Adam's Close cul de sac! Start the week with a fresh air walk around Walshes Park and meet members of our community. For more info call Andrew Gibson on 07732 174 774. Bringing our community of Southern Crowborough together!

- Men's Sausage Roll Club most Monday mornings
 - If you're free on Monday mornings and would benefit from good company and conversation, then why not join this group. They meet in various places so for more information and the latest rendezvous have a chat with John Wayte.
- Southern Crowborough Craft Group 2-4pm every Monday.

A craft group for anyone who likes to chat over coffee and crafting - meets in the lounge at St Richard's. For more info chat to Rosemary Longley.

- Friendship Hour a companionship group for senior men and women,
 - held on the **second Monday of each month**. It starts at **2.30pm**. We have a great team of helpers, and where possible also try to provide transport for anyone who may need it. Please contact Dorothy on 01892 655480 d.hards80@btinternet.com (or Frances on 01892 661959) for more details.
- CONNECT Youth Group 6.45-8pm Our monthly outreach to young families in the community.
 Crafts, games & a short bible talk. Upcoming dates: 24 Mar, 28 Apr, 19 May & 23 Jun.

TUESDAYS

Little Seeds Toddler Group 10am till 12pm

Meeting during term time, this provides a welcome meeting place for local parents and carers to socialise and bring their little one to enjoy playing and organised activities. First timers are welcome to come for a taster session just give Sarah a buzz to let us know you're coming.

Heroes (R-Y2) and Adventurers (Y3-Y6) at All Saints

During term time we partner with All Saints in their youth groups. Meeting from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. Hero's meets in the Parish Halls Adventurers in the downstairs hall accessed from the back of All Saints church. For more info email Sarah Thrift sarah@allsaintscrowborough.org

WEDNESDAYS

- Midday prayer at St Richard's every week 12noon till 1pm

 Join with us as we think through what we heard on Sunday and to pray for our church, the community of southern Crowborough, the churches in Crowborough, the CofE and the world.
- The Barnabas Support Group 10.30am 12noon (usually every third Wednesday)
 Meeting in the Downstairs Rooms at All Saints Church to bring together those with dementia or
 memory loss problems and their carers for encouragement, sharing together, and information. All
 are welcome to come and join in these Coffee Mornings. For more information, please speak to
 Frances Sadd.

THURSDAYS

- Monthly Church Family Prayer meeting Evenings 7.15 for 7.30pm. (First Thurs of the month) Come and join us to pray for our world, our nation, our community, our church, and ourselves! Come when you can go when you must. We finish by 9pm.
- Monthly Prayer Meeting daytime 2-3pm. (First Thurs of the month)
 For those who are unable to get to our monthly evening prayer meetings, Pat Hoyle has offered to hold a daytime prayer meeting on the same Thursdays.
 'Bracklee', Fermor Road, TN6 3BN

FRIDAYS

• Ladies bible study – during term time at St Richard's 10:15 -11.30am.

An hour together to enrich our bible knowledge and grow in faith. This term we are studying Hebrews! Speak to Trish if you think you'd like to join us!

Opportunities to learn and grow in your faith!

CIRT Holiday Club – (Foundation to Yr 6)

8 – 11 April – 9am – 12.30pm, at All Saints.

Big thank you to everyone who has offered to help, and the club is now full with 165 young people signed up. Please pray for those who lead and those who attend that they will be kept safe and the good news of Jesus is heard by all.



Recommended books from St Richard's lending library

Time for Every Thing?

How to Be Busy Without Feeling Burdened

Matt Fuller

Do you have enough time? Most of us feel pulled in too many directions, never managing to do enough.

Matt Fuller liberates us from the drive to do everything; points us to the source of true rest; and sets out a godly framework to help us prioritise, so that we can be productive without being crushed.

If you have ever felt the tyranny of a too-long to-do list, or the terror of a too-empty one, spend some precious time reading this book



Opportunities to serve and help others

Crowborough Foodbank

St Richard's is a Foodbank collection point, for a list of acceptable items check out their website

Crowborough Pantry

This open to anyone, regardless of circumstances, and aims to help both the planet and the community, by sharing donated food which would otherwise likely be wasted. You'll find them around the corner in Beechview Parade, Open:

Mondays: 10am until 11am Tuesdays: 2.30pm until 4pm

Thursdays: 6pm until 7pm Saturdays: 10am until 11am Sundays: 6pm – 6.30pm



Next Sunday

Sunday 30 March - All age service 10.45am

(with Self-service Creche in the lounge)

Mother's Day

Mark 10:13-16 Jesus indignant

(Mark Rapley preaching & leading)