

"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 & Resources 18 May 2025

Sunday 18 May

There will be no service at St Richard's this morning!

10am APCM at All Saints Church

Do make an effort to be there – Mark needs a BIG St Richards cheer!!

Mark 6: 30-52 Bread of heaven

(Steve Rees preaching & Mark Rapley leading)

while St Richards doesn't have an evening gathering we are welcome to join All Saints from 6.30pm

Notices

Southern Crowborough Ladies Breakfast

Sat 31 May – 9am at St Richard's. Join us for another wonderful continental breakfast and short talk. Bring a friend!! Book tickets here.



The Annual Church Parochial Meeting (APCM)

and the Meeting for Election of Churchwardens is on Sunday 18th May 2025 at <u>10am</u>, combining 9.15, 10.45 and St Richard's. If you would like to ask a **question** at the meeting, please submit it in writing by Sunday 11th May to Suzanne Hall. **Nomination forms** for churchwardens, PCC members (3 positions) and Deanery Synod Representatives (1 position) are available on request from Suzanne Hall. *There are paper copies of the Finance Report in St Richard's entrance hall for those who have not received it with the email newsletter.*

A big thank you - to all who made a donation to Ukraine Christian Ministries Trust. The total with gift aid was £625.20

Dementia awareness week - Barnabas fundraising morning Wednesday 21 May 10-12 noon – All Saints downstairs hall. A morning of coffee, cake & music - All welcome.

FEST 2025 - 4th-6th July - save the date

Over the weekend of 4th-6th July the church families of St Richards and All Saints are invited to relocate to a campsite near Halland, to enjoy a weekend of fellowship and fun together, sleeping under the stars – well under canvas



or in a caravan - with space to worship, share fellowship, play games and get to know people. You don't have to camp though, "day visitors" are also welcome, but booking is essential!

Breakfast is hosted by the Rapley's with an assortment of fresh pancakes and pastries evening meals are included for those camping. Equipment and partially and fully sponsored tickets are available, speak to Mark. More info. Can be found in the flyer in the vestibule including prices and how to book.

Why not just come for one day Saturday or Sunday!

St Richard's. For more info chat to Rosemary Longley.

What's on in the 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!

- Southern Crowborough Café First Monday of the month 10am-12pm.
 With it being Bank Holiday on Monday the next café will be held on Monday 12th May.
 Come for your morning coffee and meet folk from our local community.
- 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
- 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

Friendship Hour - second Monday of each month from 2.30pm

This is our companionship group for senior men and women. We have a great team of helpers, and where possible also try to provide transport for anyone who may need it. Please contact Dorothy 01892 655480 d.hards80@btinternet.com (or Frances 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

• Exploring the truth claims of Jesus

Most Tuesdays during term time we run one of several courses that explore the truth claims of Jesus. Starting from 7.30pm at the church, the current course is Christianity Explored which is an 8-session course that seeks to answer three key questions: Who is Jesus? What did he achieve? How should we respond? Anyone welcome. There's still time to join the current session.

• 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 Thursday 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 hosts 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 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 25 May Morning Service – 10.45am

(with Sunday Club & Lasers! Self-service creche)

Mark 6: 53 – 7: 23 GOOD NEWS: Heart failure

(Mark Rapley preaching & Trish Scobell Leading)