

*"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**

**Sunday 7 Sept**

**Morning service - 10.45am**

**(with Creche and Sunday Club)**

***Psalm 145:1-8***

*(Adam Thrift preaching, Dorothy Hards leading)*

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

## **Notices**

### **Toy cleaning Monday 8 Sept**

Sarah Bell writes....If anyone is free to help clean toys at St Richard's on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Sept, any time between 9am-12noon we would be very grateful for your help. Coffee and cake provided!



### **A note of thanks from Trish**

Thank you for your generous and most unexpected gift. My home is always open to anyone who would like to come for coffee, but I shall miss being a part of life with St Richard's church family. With love, Trish xx

### **Funeral of Alan and Ann Vincent**

Alan died on 23<sup>rd</sup> August. The funeral service will be a joint one and is on Wednesday September 17<sup>th</sup> , 1pm at All Saints

# What's on in the week

## MONDAYS

- **Southern Crowborough Café - First Monday of the month – 10am-12pm.**

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 currently meet in Waitrose at 10.30am. For more information 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 - 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 (or Frances) for more details.

- **CONNECT Youth Group – 6.45-8pm – Our monthly outreach to young families in the community. Crafts, games & a short bible talk. [Listen out for further dates.](#)**

## 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.

## 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.. [Just turn up, if you're the only one why not go on a prayer walk.](#)

- **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**

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.

## 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. Contact the church office if you think you'd like to join us!

- **Table Tennis – 7.30-9.30pm at St Richard's every week**

For beginners onwards – Just turn up! £2.50 per person. Bats, balls & a drink included.

For more info contact Andrew Gibson:

## Opportunities to serve others

### Crowborough Foodbank

St Richard's is a Foodbank collection point, for a list of acceptable items check out their [website](#)

### Crowborough Pantry

This is 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



**Marilyn Payne (1 Sep)**

**Tom Steen (8 Sep )**

**Sarah Wiggins (9 Sep)**

**Luciana Pettitt (12 Sep)**

## Looking Ahead - Dates for your diary!

September Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>

November Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>

December TBC

December Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

December Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>

December Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>

**Harvest with BYO lunch**

**AGM Take 2 with lunch**

**Carol singing around Alderbrook**

**Scratch Nativity 10.45am Carols by Candlelight 7pm TBC**

**Christingle Service – 4pm**

**Christmas day All age Celebration service – 10am**

# Sunday 14 Sept

## Lord's supper – 10.45am

Matthew 8: 1-17 Approaching the King who carries our sickness

(Nick Ashton preaching & leading Lord's supper)

## Church family Prayers

### **Sun 7**

Give thanks for the partnership between St Richard's and Forest Fold; Give thanks for the **Lighthouse** events over the summer, for **CONNECT** over the past year. Pray that people will come forward to serve and keep this group running. *"In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel..." Phil 1:4*

### **Mon 8**

Pray for Dorothy and Frances as they continue to faithfully lead **Friendship hour**. Ask God to clearly show Jesus to those who attend, through the hymns and thoughts that are shared.

### **Tue 9**

Pray for our children and young people's groups, **Creche, Sunday Club and Lasers, and their leaders** as they teach this term. Pray that their eyes will be opened by the studies and that they might accept Jesus as their saviour. Pray for the leaders to teach with boldness and without compromising the truth of the gospel message.

### **Wed 10**

Pray for our **home groups** as we start a new term of meeting together around God's word. Ask God to bless us with knowledge and awe for Him and the scriptures.

### **Thurs 11**

Pray for us, **the church family** in this different and maybe difficult new season remembering that... *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."* Hebrews 13:8

### **Fri 12**

Already, let us be praying about **who we might invite** to Christmas services and events.

### **Sat 13**

May we read these verses from Phil 2 and turn them into a prayer that we as a community of God's people may be known for our servant-heartedness. *"Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."*