

"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 21 Dec

Nativity Service – 10.45am

Luke 2: 8-15

Steve Rees preaching and leading

Wednesday 24 Dec

Christingle 4pm

John 8:12

Pete Winstone preaching and leading

Thursday 25 Dec

Christmas Day celebration 10am

John 1:9-13

Steve Rees preaching and leading

Sunday 28 Dec

Joint Service (at All Saints)– 10.45am

Luke 2:22-35

Steve Rees preaching and Jenny Rees leading

Sunday 4 Jan

Morning service– 10.45am

Psalms 37: 1-6

David Buck preaching and Dorothy leading

Notices

- **Southern Crowborough Café** Monday 5th January 10am – 12pm
- **Monthly Church Family Prayer Meeting** Thursday 8th January 7.15pm for 7.30pm
- **Licensing Service** for Revd Pete Winstone as Associate Vicar with special responsibility for St Richard's, will take place at St Richard's Church on Wednesday 21st January 2026 7.30pm.

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.

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 call on 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!

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,
Wednesdays: 10.30-11.30am

Thursdays: 6pm until 7pm Saturdays: 10am until 11am Sundays: 7pm – 7.30pm



Sunday 11 Jan

Morning Service – 10.45am

Genesis 12

Nick Ashton preaching and Dorothy leading

St Richard's Church Family Christmas Prayers

Dear Heavenly Father, we come to You in praise for Jesus Christ, Your Son, the human sign of Your presence and the proof that You are among us as Saviour.

We praise You, not only that He came, but also for the way He came; born as one of us; sharing our life and limitations of time and space; facing all the pressures and temptations that come from living in a fallen world.

We praise you for the Holy Spirit at work in His birth, life, and ministry; for the promise of the Spirit for all Your people.

On Christmas Day as we think of Mary, Joseph and the baby, Jesus, the shepherds, the angels, and the Kings from afar, we pray that we can celebrate the victory of Your love that will never be defeated, but will conquer all that spoils Your world and our lives.

We will praise You here and everywhere, now, and forever. AMEN.