



PARISH OF  
RINGWOOD

# Ringwood Link



**The Church of England in Ringwood,  
Poulner, Bisterne, Ellingham, & Harbridge  
[www.ringwoodbenefice.org.uk](http://www.ringwoodbenefice.org.uk)**

# ABOUT US

The Parish of Ringwood with Ellingham and Harbridge lies on the western edge of the New Forest and the south-western border of Hampshire. It is part of the Diocese of Winchester, in the Deanery of Christchurch, within the Church of England.

## *Ringwood Parish is proud to be part of Ringwood Benefice*

### **What is Ringwood Benefice?**

Ringwood Benefice is a family of six Church of England churches, covering the communities of Ringwood, Poulner, Ellingham, Harbridge, Bisterne, and St Leonards and St Ives.

We share a common vision to

***'Discover Life & Make a Difference'***

This vision seeks to deepen our life together in Christ and our own personal discipleship, and then to share this life across our communities, homes, and workplaces.

We have four 'big' goals to live out our vision:

### **Goal 1**

#### **Family**

Have a toddler group, Messy Church, and All Age service in Ringwood, Poulner and St Leonards & St Ives.

### **Goal 2**

#### **Worship**

Grow three new worshipping communities.

### **Goal 3**

#### **Community**

Launch two social enterprises in Ringwood and Poulner that foster community.

### **Goal 3**

#### **Ministry**

Revitalise, reimagine, and re-establish rural ministry.

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BH24 1AW

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Ringwood  
Hampshire  
BH24 1TY

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Ringwood Road  
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# MINISTER'S LETTER

Revd Matthew Trick

## JOY AND HAPPINESS

Are you feeling full of joy at the moment? Possibly not. Though I am, which is not to say I am always happy at present as that would often be mixed, but I am joyful. Joy is one of the characteristics of a life lived with God that the Apostle Paul mentions in Galatians 5:22-23 where he talks about the fruits of a spirit-filled life. You might want to grab your bibles, or use a Bible app on your phone to note what doesn't make the cut. Can you spot happiness anywhere in that passage? Of all the specific characteristics of a spirit-filled life that Paul notes surely happiness would make the cut?

Instead, joy get included and joy is a very different thing to happiness. Let me tell you what's bringing me the most joy at the moment: looking forward with great anticipation to the ordination of Sandra as a Deacon and Kay as a Priest. It is a source of immense joy to me to be involved in the formation of two wonderful people who have both said 'yes' to God. It is also a source of amazement and wonder to me that two people whose life journeys have been so different have both found themselves in our Benefice because of their saying 'yes' to God.

I don't want to unnerve any further Sandra and Kay who might read this



article before being ordained, but the ordination charge given to both deacons and priests is serious stuff. To see two people, among others on the journey of vocation, who are prepared to enter this way of life is in itself a joyful thing indeed.

Jesus, after teaching his disciples on the Christian way of life told them, 'These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full.' (John 15:11, NKJV). In Philippians, Paul writes: 'Then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.' (Philippians 2:2-4, NKJV). There is a lot of good bible study we could do around these verses but for now, just know; God wants you to have joy!

At the heart of the difference between joy and happiness is the reality that we choose joy but feel happiness. Pause your reading of this article for a moment or two and call to mind the last time you

were happy. You might recall a brief moment even in the last couple of hours when you were aware of feeling happiness or your mind might take you back to a more significant occasion. Wherever your memories and mind take you we have arrived at our first key difference between happiness and joy: happiness is reactive and nearly always temporary, whereas joy is cultivated and once cultivated endures during good and bad times.

Happiness is great, we all love to be happy and this article in no way is an attempt to downplay the place of happiness in our lives. After the 15 months that we have just had, I wish everyone who reads this, all the happiness in the world. And there is no 'but' coming, just a recognition that happiness is so often associated with pleasure which comes and goes. We might feel happy because a friend or family member has said something deeply affirming. By now most readers will know me well enough to know that my happiness is inextricably related to the state of my stomach. Recently, Sarah and I managed a date afternoon and evening and went to a restaurant we both love in Dorchester. The food was fantastic, and I felt happy.

So taking pleasure in things and people is a source of happiness but what now about joy. Well, joy like happiness is an emotion. We can feel it just like we can feel happiness. In fact we use phrases like 'crying tears of joy' when we are overcome with the emotion of joy. Interestingly the dictionary definitions differ on what joy is. Some describe joy as simply a heightened state of happiness or pleasure, whereas others point us to a

wider understanding of joy, suggesting joy is about a state of success or satisfaction.

These dictionary definitions are helpful, but you might like me be wondering how our faith in Jesus relates to our longing for joy. Good news, the two are linked. I have already quoted the words of both Jesus and St Paul earlier which give you the sense that the bible has a lot to say about joy. Recently a Twitter friend challenged her followers to offer a definition of lament as she was due to speak about lament at a conference later that day and was taking soundings. I, in a rare moment of inspiration, tweeted back 'lament is the crying of the soul for the restoration of God's vision for the world.' It occurs to me that joy and lament are two sides of the same coin. If lament is about our souls agonising over the suffering, prejudice, and poverty of the world around us, contrary to the world envisioned and created by God, then joy is the hope of our souls for a world resembling the goodness of God.

I have been known to have 'twee' moments in services where I might invite a congregation to respond to the words 'God is good!' by saying 'All the time!' to which I then repeat 'All the time!' and they conclude 'God is good!'. The responsory is a little twee but in the right moment can always point people to the ever-present goodness of God and even (challenging point) in all situations. For Christians, joy is an enduring state of response to the goodness of God, which is not as fleeting as happiness or pleasure but can endure even in the midst of hardship.

So here are some tips if you wish to cultivate the practice of joy in your daily lives:

1. Keep up the spiritual disciplines of prayer and bible reading. Because prayer orients us to an awareness of God's presence and bible reading helps us to bring the verses and passages, we read to bear on the situations we face daily.

2. Try to ruthlessly eliminate hurry and busyness from your days. Your day might be full of events and tasks, but hurry and busyness are states of mind rather than an indication of reality. Hurry is the enemy of joy because it robs our awareness of God's goodness in the present moment and denies us the opportunity to respond with joy.

3. Keep a journal. No one need ever see it, nor do you have to write extensively, a sentence a day will suffice. But journaling helps us reflect on where God has been in our encounters that day. Over time you can look back and see God's presence in your daily life. This reflection and awareness aid the cultivation of joy.

4. This next tip is probably covered in the first, but I want to be more specific: pray daily to be filled with the Holy Spirit, because joy is a fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5).

Revd Matthew

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## MORNING PRAYER DURING AUGUST

There will be no morning prayer on a Monday and Thursday throughout August.

## WEDNESDAY COFFEE RETURNS TO THE PARISH CHURCH ON SEPTEMBER 1ST

Please let us know if you would like to go on the rota to serve refreshments on a Wednesday morning.

# THANK YOU

To Lindsay & Tony,  
Thank you for all your help clearing up the glass in the Benefice Office after it was vandalised. It was very kind of you to give up your morning to help make everything safe. And thank you to MJ Abbott's who cleared all the broken glass outside the building. Your kindness is appreciated.



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## Final 'Joy of Prayer' session

**Dare to share: Tues. July 13th, 8-9pm**

Come and listen, and be listened to (in small groups), as we reflect on our relationship with God and our experience of prayer.

Led by the Revd Sally Dakin, Spirituality Adviser

**These are for absolutely anyone:  
'beginners' especially welcome!**

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## MORNING PRAYER

Download the free 'Zoom' App on any device and enter the Meeting ID & Password

Monday 7.30am - Morning prayer  
Meeting ID: 307 879 502 Passcode: 489898

Wednesday 8.15am - Prayer & Bible study  
Meeting ID 842 5692 5855 & Passcode: 489898

Thursday 7.30am - Morning prayer  
Meeting ID: 307 879 502 Passcode: 489898



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

LET'S  
CELEBRATE

## JULY ORDINATIONS

### WEEKEND 3 & 4 JULY

Revd Kay will be ordained Priest on Saturday 3rd July at 7pm and Sandra Matthews will be ordained Deacon on Sunday 4th July at 12.30pm.

The services will be streamed on the Cathedral Website and YouTube Channel.

[www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk](http://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk)

### 04 Fifth Sunday after Trinity

06 2pm Mothers' Union service at Ringwood Parish Church

### 11 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

### 18 Seventh Sunday after Trinity

21 CTiRD STAR Addiction Awareness Training. 6.30 -7.30pm at Poulner Baptist Chapel. Contact Kevin Jones for more info.  
24 Afternoon Garden Party - See page 13

### 25 James the Apostle

31 The Spirit of Spain: An Evening of Virtuoso Classical and Spanish Guitar Classics with tapas - See page 13

## AUGUST

### 01 Ninth Sunday after Trinity

07 Mother's Union coffee morning - See page 13

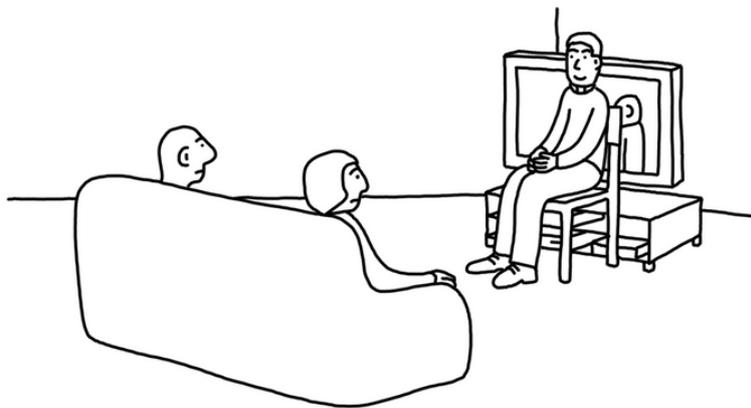
### 08 The Transfiguration of our Lord

### 15 The Blessed Virgin Mary

### 22 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

### 29 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Benefice Service at St Mary & All Saints, Ellingham



## ONLINE CHURCH

WATCH ON FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE

### Every Sunday:

- 11.00 Live-streamed service of Holy Communion - Watch online <https://cutt.ly/GkhjiDa> or call 01425 543304 and press 1 to listen live (Sunday Live will resume in September)

### Every Tuesday

- 2pm Thought for the Day

## READINGS

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| • <b>4TH JULY</b><br>2 Samuel.5:1-5, 9-10<br>Mark 6:1-13          | • <b>1ST AUGUST</b><br>Ephesians.4:1-16<br>John 6:24-35                |
| • <b>11TH JULY</b><br>Ephesians.1:3-14<br>Mark 6:14-29            | • <b>8TH AUGUST</b><br>2 Peter.1:16-19<br>Luke 9:28-36                 |
| • <b>18TH JULY</b><br>Ephesians. 2:11-end<br>Mark 6:30-34, 53-end | • <b>15TH AUGUST</b><br>Galatians.4:4-7<br>Luke 1:46-55                |
| • <b>25TH JULY</b><br>Acts 11:27-12:2<br>Matt.20:20-28            | • <b>22ND AUGUST</b><br>Ephesians.6:10-20<br>John 6: 56-59             |
|   | • <b>29TH AUGUST</b><br>Deut.4:1-2, 6-9<br>Mark 7:1-8, 14-15,<br>21-23 |



Please remember that it is a legal requirement to wear a face covering in church buildings unless you are medically exempt.

# 'NEARLY' CURATE CORNER

As I sit writing this short reflection, the sun is shining, the month of June is fast disappearing, and my ordination to Deacon is fast approaching.

As I look back over the past two years in Ringwood Benefice, I know that I've only made this journey through so many peoples' prayers, support and encouragement.

Wherever I have gone in the Benefice family, I have always found warm smiles, encouraging words, and great patience, so to you all, I say a heartfelt THANK YOU.

Thank you for your graciousness and trust when I've tried things new;

Thank you for your indulgence when I've accidentally broken things;

Thank you for your smiles when nerves have tried to get the better of me;

I really couldn't have done it without you ALL!

On Sunday 4th July I will start my Curacy and I know that I am blessed to be completing it with you.

In the months that lie ahead, I would however like to make a request - please continue to pray for me. It is only by the Grace of God that any of us ever serve, and it is only by the prayers of the Body of Christ, that we are able to minister in His name. So may you all have blessed and refreshing summer, and hopefully I shall see you soon, when I'll be, Revd Sandra Matthews. xxx

## OPEN HOUSE AT THE PEAD'S 8th August 2-4pm

Join Revd Kay for tea, coffee, scones and cake. Feel free to bring a cake with you if you like. Contact Revd Kay for details.



"Due to our failure to secure a holiday-relief organist, the next hymn will also be sung to the tune, *Chopsticks*."

### Subscribe to the Link

If you would like to receive the Link magazine by post, the price will be £14.00 for a year. Please send your payment to the Benefice Office, along with your address details. Thank you.

# REGULAR SERVICE PATTERN

## ST PETER & ST PAUL

*RINGWOOD*

### 1st Sunday:

- 11:00 Morning Prayer

### 2nd Sunday:

- 11:00 Holy Communion

### 3rd Sunday:

- 11:00 Morning Prayer with Baptism

### 4th Sunday:

- 11:00 Holy Communion

## ST PAUL'S

*BISTERNE*

### 1st Sunday

- 18:00 Evensong with Holy Communion

### 3rd Sunday:

- 10:30 Matins

## ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

*POULNER*

### 1st Sunday:

- 10:30 Morning Worship

### 2nd Sunday:

- 10:30 Morning Worship

### 3rd Sunday:

- 10:30 Holy Communion

### 4th Sunday:

- 10:30 Morning Worship

## WEEKDAY HOLY COMMUNION

*ST PETER & ST PAUL, RINGWOOD*

Every Wednesday at 10:30



09:30  
Gathering  
Every Sunday.  
Contact Revd  
Kay for details

## ST MARY & ALL SAINTS

*ELLINGHAM*

### 1st Sunday:

- 11:15 Holy Communion

### 2nd Sunday:

- 17:30 Evensong

### 3rd Sunday:

- 11:15 Matins

### 4th Sunday:

- No service

## ALL SAINTS

*HARBRIDGE*

### 4th Sunday:

- 10:00 Matins

## 5TH SUNDAY

*JAN, MAY, AUG & OCT 2021*

Where a month has a fifth Sunday a whole Benefice service usually takes place in one of the churches - Details will be made available beforehand.

## 8AM BCP HOLY COMMUNION

### 1st Sunday:

- St Peter & St Paul, Ringwood

### 2nd Sunday:

- All Saints, St Leonards & St Ives

### 3rd Sunday:

- St John the Baptist, Poulner

### 4th Sunday:

- St Peter & St Paul, Ringwood

### 5th Sunday:

- St John the Baptist, Poulner



The Well  
6.30pm  
1st & 3rd Sundays  
when sung  
worship returns

# ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

**The Diocesan Net Zero Strategy aims to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2030 in line with the national church's target agreed at General Synod in 2020.**

The Diocesan strategy sets sustainability targets for churches, schools, clergy housing and diocesan offices including the off-setting of carbon, installing electric vehicle charging points, using low-carbon heating systems, and optimising the energy efficiency of buildings.

One of the key goals is for 90% of parishes to have switched to a green energy supplier by December 2021.

The paper outlines six key commitments of the Diocese to:

- take the environmental impact and use of resources fully into account in all areas of work,
- embrace more and more a spirit of Christian joy and fullness of life,
- strive to adapt individual lives to be fully sustainable,
- seek to increase awareness and understanding of environmental issues in local communities,
- accept a wider responsibility towards young people and minority groups,
- recognise that efforts committed will have to be sustained for successors and promote generational change

The full strategy can be read online.

**The Diocesan Environmental Group (DEG) encouraging parishes to 'Care for God's Creation'**

The DEG believe that care for the environment is fundamental to Christian

faith and action. As stewards of God's gift of creation each of us has a responsibility to ensure that this remains a sustainable world and to respond to the social injustice visited on many of the world's poorest people as a result of climate change.

To this end as a Diocese we affirm the 5th Mark of Mission agreed at the 1988 Lambeth Conference which asks all churches to 'strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and to sustain and renew the life of earth' as central to our work and mission.

## **Eco Church and Eco Diocese**

In 2019, Winchester Diocese was awarded the A Rocha Eco Diocese Bronze Award recognising their commitment to good environmental and ethical stewardship. They are now working towards achieving the Silver Award. To help parishes take practical steps in embracing 'Caring for God's Creation' the DEG recommend participation with Eco Church.

Eco Church offers a free online survey, supported and endorsed by the Church of England, with supporting resources designed to equip your church to express your care for God's world in your worship and teaching; in how you look after your buildings and land; in how you engage with your local community and in global campaigns, and in the personal lifestyles of your congregation.

The actions you take will count towards a prestigious Eco Church Award at Bronze, Silver or Gold level. Many parishes are already using Eco Church; to find out more please speak to a warden.



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## EMERGENCY COVID FUND FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT IN KINKIIZI

Uganda is currently suffering high numbers of Covid cases as the Delta variant overwhelms them. Many cases are being diagnosed everywhere including in Kinkiizi, and people are dying.

The government health facilities are very inadequate, short of medicines, equipment and staff. With levels of poverty exacerbated by the lockdowns (they are currently in another six weeks at least, of churches, schools and markets closed), many folk cannot afford to get treatment from the non-government run hospitals.

If anyone felt able to donate even a small amount to an emergency Covid fund for medical treatment the poorest in Kinkiizi could access, that would be amazing and we could at least help some people to get treatment that could save their lives. The fund will be administered in Kinkiizi by Diocesan staff.

Please also keep Kinkiizi Diocese in your prayers as they grapple with Covid and trying to access vaccinations. Uganda have so far only been able to vaccinate around 1% of their population and have now run out of vaccines.

Please pray for the vaccines to be shared across the world more fairly. Thank you.

Our Kinkiizi account details:  
Christchurch Deanery Synod Kinkiizi Account

Sort Code 52 21 34  
Account number 25750607  
Please reference your donations  
'Covid fund'

or contact me: [gillytybjerg@btinternet.com](mailto:gillytybjerg@btinternet.com)

Gill Tybjerg (Kinkiizi Action Group chair)



CHURCH OF UGANDA

# FUNDRAISING EVENTS

**SATURDAY JULY 24TH, 2.30PM - 4.30PM**

**AFTERNOON GARDEN PARTY**

at 5 Avon Park, Ringwood

Entrance £5 - Tea, cake, scones, jam & cream (Covid compliant)

Bring & Buy table everything £1.00 & raffle £1.00

Fundraising for Ringwood Parish Church

**SATURDAY 31ST JULY 6.30PM**

**THE ART OF GUITAR: AN EVENING OF SPANISH AND CLASSICAL GUITAR CLASSICS. WITH MARK JENNINGS**

at Ringwood Parish Church

£10 Entry & a welcome drink

Tapas available afterwards £5

Fundraising for Ringwood Parish Church

**SATURDAY 7TH AUGUST**

**MOTHERS' UNION COFFEE & CAKE MORNING**

Contact Sue for details 01425 474982

Fundraising for the 'Summer of Hope' appeal.

**WEDNESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER**

Morning coffee will return at the Parish Church

**SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 10AM - 2PM**

**CAR BOOT SALE AT ELLINGHAM HALL**

Car or table £5 (No vans) - Set up from 9am

Refreshments in the hall

Fundraising for Ringwood Parish Church

**SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER - RIDE & STRIDE**

Hampshire and the Islands Historic Churches Trust - [hihct.org.uk](http://hihct.org.uk)

**SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2PM - 6PM**

**"80 HYMNATHON"**

at Ringwood Parish Church

John Birch will be playing 80 hymns to raise money for

Cancer Research and to celebrate his 80th birthday.

Tea, coffee and cake will be on sale - proceeds to Ringwood Benefice.

Sponsor: <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/80-hymnathon>



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*.... equipping you to share God's life*

### **What is the Bishop's Commission for Mission?**

BCM is a lay training programme focused on enabling church members to live missionally in every part of their lives, equipping them to live out their vocation to the full. It is not an academic training programme, instead through participating in the programme, we believe God will shape you for your place in his mission. If you successfully meet the programme requirements, you will be commissioned by the Bishop of Winchester at the annual Lay Ministries Service at Winchester Cathedral for a BCM role within your benefice as agreed between you and your incumbent.

### **How does BCM training work?**

This autumn we hope to offer BCM programmes as a combination of online and in-person training. Topic sessions are led by passionate practitioners in their field. BCM highly values relational learning – we believe everyone comes with wisdom and experience to share, so we ask you to commit to attending all the sessions and to engage with the online material offered.

Prior to each of the sessions there is pre-work material to do online at your own pace and in your own time. We expect this to take up to an hour. This is a key aspect of BCM and we expect everyone to do it. Pre-work material may consist of something to read, a film clip to watch, commenting in a forum, journaling, or engaging in practical actions to explore offline.

### **Session Information**

- There is a morning **Launch Session** at St Barnabas Church in Weeke, Winchester, which introduces Mission Spirituality for all programme streams together.
- There are then **6 specialist topic sessions** (1.5 hours each) when individual streams meet online together for discussion and tutor input.
- Finally, there is a **Closing Session** at Wolvesey, Winchester, for all programme streams together again to enable you to consider how God has been shaping you for His service.

## **What other requirements are there for BCM training?**

You will need to be recommended by your incumbent and PCC, who should pay your training costs, currently £60 per person.

Once you have completed the programme you will need to complete a role description, all levels of safeguarding training and a DBS check in order to receive your commission. More information will be provided during the training.

## **Which programmes are we offering this autumn?**

- **BCM Worship:** This is for those who have a desire to lead God's people into God's presence. The training will cover the core skills required to lead worship in your church/community and on completion carries an authorisation to lead non-eucharistic worship more than once a quarter.

- **BCM Youth & Children's Ministry:** This is primarily for those who are leading any form of youth or children's ministry in the church. The training will explore faith development in children and provide you with a range of creative ideas for building a strong ministry team.

- **BCM Prayer Champions:** This aims to equip you to encourage prayer in your church and community. It will build your personal confidence in prayer and offer you a variety of ideas to help others grow in prayer.

- **BCM Creation Care:** This is for those who want to help their church steward the world's natural resources. It will consider the theology of our calling to care for God's creation, as well as exploring practical actions.

## **Rule of Life Workshop**

There is also an optional Rule of Life for BCM Workshop with Revd. Sally Dakin, open to all programme streams on 8th September 7.30-9.30pm. (Limited places)

## **What is it like to take part in a BCM?**

"I have been fortunate to take part in two BCM streams, Pastoral, and Prayer Champions. One held in person the other online. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet with fellow Christians who are interested in the same areas, to work together to not only learn more about the subject and grow in fellowship, but also to also develop my own faith.

Although the BCM streams are not a qualification, the training and confidence they give you are invaluable. Lay leadership is still regarded by many as a new concept, we all struggle with feelings of inadequacy, and the BCMs do change that, growing your confidence.

Age is no limit. If you are interested in any of the BCMs available, go for it."

Sam Swyer

## **How to join**

For queries or booking forms please contact our BCM Administrator [wendy.atkinson@winchester.anglican.org](mailto:wendy.atkinson@winchester.anglican.org)

WE HOPE YOU WILL DECIDE TO JOIN US.

## When are the training dates?

Prayer Champions and Creation Care – Tuesday evenings 7pm – 8.30pm unless otherwise noted.

Date	Prayer Champions	Creation Care
11 September	Launch Session: Mission Spirituality ( <b>Sat 9.30am to 12.30pm</b> ) St Barnabas, Weeke. All streams together.	
21 September	1. Prayer & Spirituality	1. God's Wonderful World
5 October	2. Connecting 1:1	2. A Task and a Hope
19 October	3. Praying in Small Groups (in person at Wolvesey)	3. Resources and Cycles
2 November	4. Congregational Prayer	4. Priorities
16 November	5. Prayer in the Community	5. In God's Image
30 November	6. Prayer and Discipleship	6. Action Stations
4 December	Closing Session: How has God been shaping me for service? ( <b>Sat 10am -12noon</b> ) Wolvesey Winchester. All streams together.	

Worship and Children & Youth Ministry – Wednesday evenings 7pm – 8.30pm unless otherwise noted.

Date	Worship	Youth & Children
11 September	Launch Session: Mission Spirituality (Sat 9.30am to 12.30pm) St Barnabas, Weeke. All streams together.	
22 September	1. What is Worship?	1. What is Youth & Children's Ministry?
6 October	2. Planning & Leading Worship	2. Culture of Young People
20 October	3. Music in Worship (In person at Wolvesey)	3. Faith Development of Children
3 November	4. Intergenerational Worship	4. Building Effective Teams
17 November	5. Leading Worship Online	5. Vision & Strategy
1 December	6. Leading Informal Worship	6. Additional Needs
4 December	Closing Session: How has God been shaping me for service? (Sat 10am – 12noon) Wolvesey, Winchester. All streams together.	

**If you would like to take part in one of these BCM's please contact the BCM Administrator [wendy.atkinson@winchester.anglican.org](mailto:wendy.atkinson@winchester.anglican.org) or Revd Matthew Trick for an informal chat as soon as possible.**

# IMPACT UPDATE

Over this past academic year, we have relaunched the youth group Impact in the benefice. This is for secondary school aged young people and we have a group of youth who come regularly.

Together we have been reading the Bible and learning more about God, praying together and discussing issues, as well as playing games and having fun!

It has been great over this past year to get to know these young people, to see them grow in their faith, and ask questions about God.

We have been running Kintsugi Hope Youth with them, a program where we look at different topics and different areas of life and think about how the Bible and God relate to these issues and how we best deal with them.

We have had lots of social nights, eating pizza, playing games, and we even went crabbing down at Mudeford Quay which was lots of fun!

Overall it has been a great year, God has been moving in the lives of our young people and it is been wonderful to see them deepen their relationship with God.

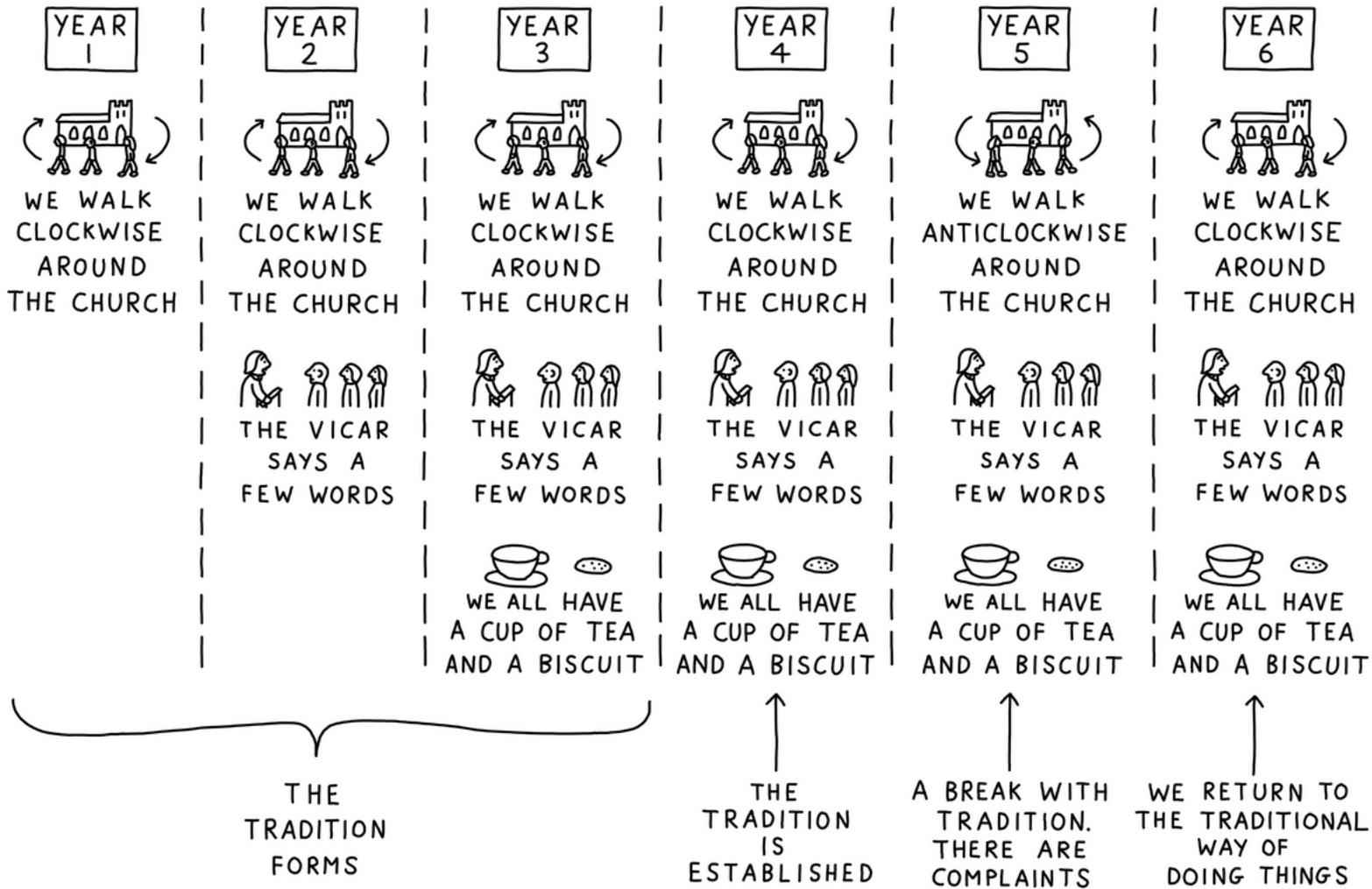
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For more details about Impact Youth Group please contact Revd Kay



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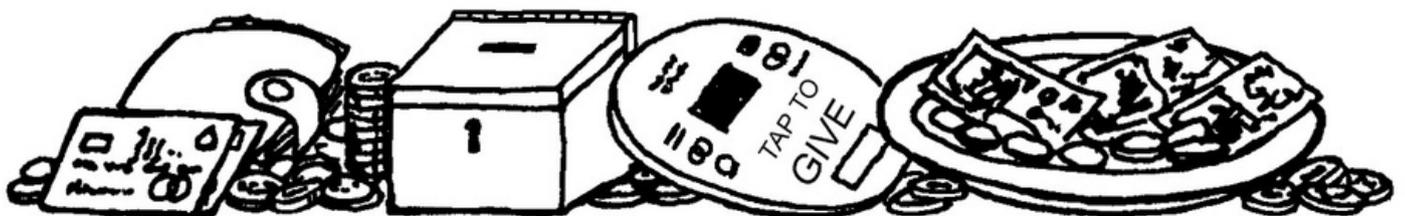
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## **SCAM WARNING**

We have received a warning about the following scam where people are targeting church members;

Both people had recently published their contact details in the church Newsletter, which is available to view on the website. It seems likely somebody is trawling the church website looking for people's contact details, and then creating email and phone accounts in the Ministers name in an attempt to scam them.

A church member received an email which showed up as being 'from' the Minister. He had no reason to suspect that it was not from the Minister, as they have email contact about all sorts of church matters. He opened the email. It asked him if he was available, because the sender needed a favour, and was signed by the minister. Still unsuspecting he replied and then received a response asking him to go to a shop and purchase a Google Play card, claiming that the sender had forgotten their niece's birthday and it was urgent.

He became suspicious, then noticed that the grammar and punctuation were poor. He, therefore, did not respond but alerted the Minister.

The email address the messages had been sent from, and it was not the Ministers. Instead, it was from the email address: office 23127@gmail.com.

A few days later the Minister was contacted by another Member, to ask if she had just texted her.

The sender signed as the Minister. claimed to be in a meeting, but to need a

favour. She replied to the first message, and was then asked to go to a shop and buy a Google Play card. But was given a different reason. She was told that the card was needed for a woman who was in hospital battling cancer.

The phone number from which the texts were sent was 07451 200598.

Rest assured our ministry team would never approach members of our church family in this manner. Please be vigilant and let us know immediately if you receive anything similar.

## **DOUBTING THOMAS JULY 3RD**

If you have ever doubted aspects of your Christian faith, St Thomas is the saint for you. His feast day is on 3rd July.

Thomas, one of Jesus' 12 disciples, was deeply devoted, but also very honest whenever he got confused. When Jesus spoke of going to his Father (John 14), Thomas was not afraid to ask Him where His Father was. As for the Resurrection, that really baffled Thomas. He demanded to see the risen Jesus for himself - and touch the wounds in His hands and feet. When Jesus appeared, Thomas' immediate response was one of worship: "My Lord and my God" (John 20).

Thus, Doubting Thomas' honest doubts, turned to honest faith, have become a reassurance for thousands of us down the centuries who also sometimes doubt Jesus. In Doubting Thomas' complete affirmation of faith, after meeting the risen, crucified Christ, we can find support for our own faith in Him.

There is a St Thomas wordsearch on page 22



Hi folks. A big sunny HELLO to all you Messy Church followers.

🕶️ Wow! What amazingly hot weather we've been having. We've never slapped on so much sunscreen!

We're sorry we still can't hold Messy Church at St John's in Poulner or St Peter & St Paul in Ringwood right now 😞. BUT we are praying for some Autumn good news, so stay tuned. . To help you all get through the next few weeks we've produced another fun-filled Messy Church JUST FOR YOU 😄. Look out for it at the end of July. But if you really can't wait till then, you can watch all the previous Messy Church videos on Ringwood Benefice YouTube channel - just sit back and CHILLAX and pop in the popcorn. Uh huh!

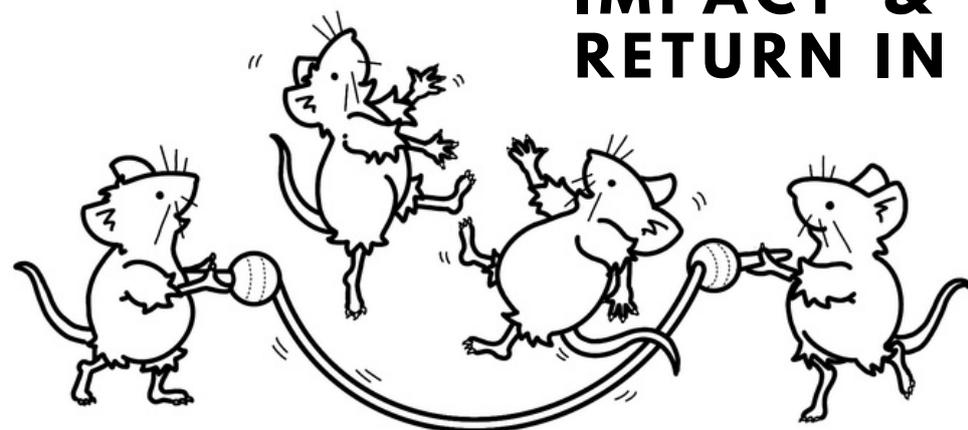
Bye for now and stay safe.

The Messy Church Teams

## IMPACT & KING'S KIDS RETURN IN THE AUTUMN

For more information about the children's and youth work within the Benefice, please contact Revd Kay.

If you can help in any way please let us know!



# Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

## NOTES FROM MOTHERS' UNION

The June meeting was a communion service led by Rev. Terry Roberts and attended by 10 members.

Our next meeting is July 6th (Not 13th) and we hope to make this a celebration of all the events we missed in lockdown – special birthdays & anniversaries, and a thanksgiving that we all survived the Pandemic.

Our August meeting, we hope, will be a Fundraising coffee morning for the Mothers' Union 'Summer of Hope' appeal and this will be on Saturday 7th August at Poulner.

The Diocese we able to hold their Mothers' Union Festival Service at the Cathedral on Thursday 10th June. This was held in the Quire with seating well spaced, but everyone was delighted to see each other face to face and not on Zoom and to have a short distanced catch-up with friends not seen for eighteen months or more.

We look forward to being able to meet more socially and “normally” in the Autumn.

Sue Brinkman

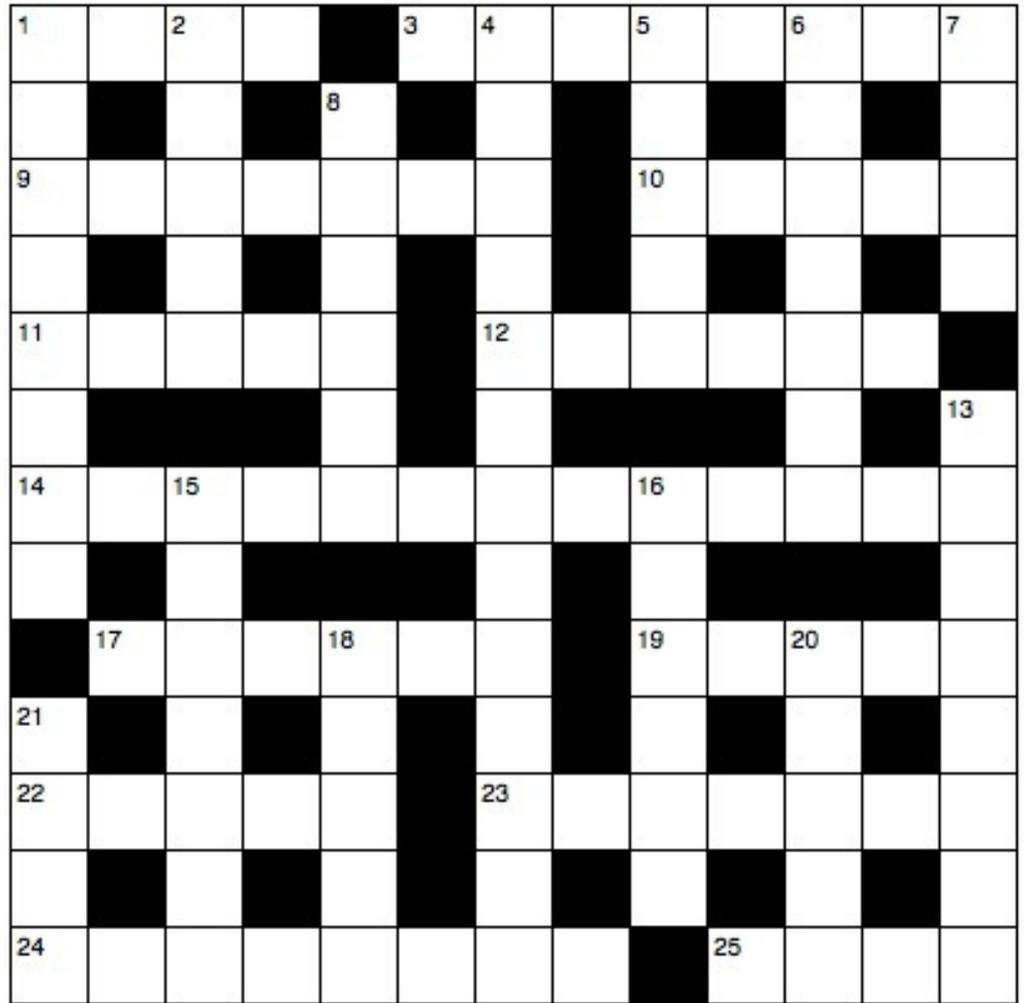
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## DOUBTING THOMAS WORDSEARCH

Read all about  
St Thomas on page 19

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## CROSSWORD CLUES

### Across

- 1 Sent out three times on a reconnaissance mission from Noah's ark  
(Genesis 8:8-12) (4)
- 3 'The vilest — who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives' (8)
- 9 Described by the 19th-century MP Sir Wilfred Lawson as 'the Devil in solution' (7)
- 10 'Whoever — his life for my sake will find it' (Matthew 10:39) (5)
- 11 King of Gezer (Joshua 10:33) (5)
- 12 Gideon's home town (Judges 6:11) (6)
- 14 The area under the jurisdiction of a primate, for example, Canterbury, York (13)
- 17 To him God promised that David would be king (1 Chronicles 11:3) (6)
- 19 A descendant of Aaron who was not allowed to offer food to God  
(Leviticus 21:20) (5)
- 22 'If any of you — wisdom, he should ask God' (James 1:5) (5)
- 23 I gain me (anag.) (7)
- 24 Relating to the armed forces (1 Chronicles 5:18) (8)
- 25 Title given to 2 Down (abbrev.) (4)

### Down

- 1 Greek coins (Acts 19:19) (8)
- 2 Church of England incumbent (5)
- 4 What Epaphroditus was to Paul (Philippians 2:25) (6-7)
- 5 Mother of David's sixth son (2 Samuel 3:5) (5)
- 6 'We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in — '  
(2 Corinthians 4:8) (7)
- 7 It destroys treasures on earth (Matthew 6:19) (4)
- 8 It threatened Paul in Jerusalem (Acts 21:35) (3,3)
- 13 Well-known Reference Bible that  
espoused dispensationalism (8)
- 15 Where the choir sits in a parish  
church (7)
- 16 Real do (anag.) (6)
- 18 'Martha, Martha... you are worried  
and — about many things'  
(Luke 10:41) (5)
- 20 'One man considers one day more  
sacred than another; another man  
considers every day —' (Romans 14:5)(5)
- 21 A place with twelve springs and 70 palm  
trees where the Israelites camped  
(Exodus 15:27) (4)

### ANSWERS ON PAGE 25

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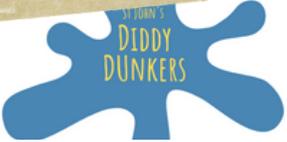
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# FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS



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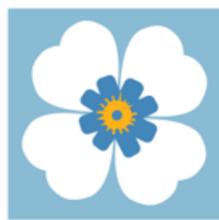
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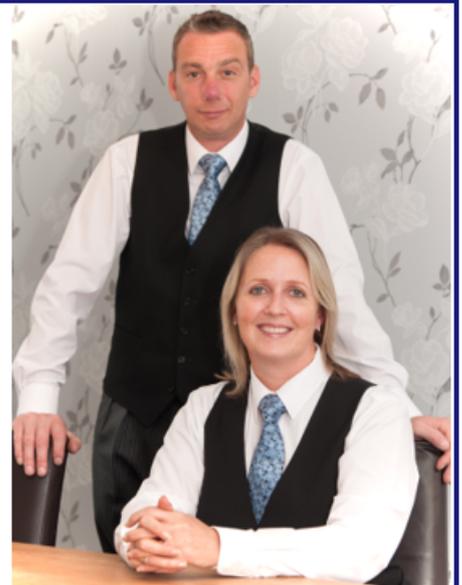
20th Josiah Scott-Ross, aged one

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# Benefice morning prayer meetings

## There is so much to pray for!

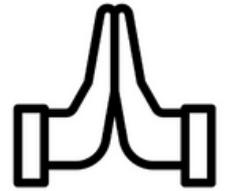
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