



THE LINK

A weekly newsletter for

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, WRITTLE with ST PAUL'S, HIGHWOOD

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Sunday 14th May 2017 Easter 5

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS

8.000am **Holy Communion** (BCP p237)
President: Rev'd Jo Jones
Collect: p.139

10.45am **PARISH EUCHARIST** (Order One and CAHO&N)
Service includes Baptism of Arthur Leeks and Ayla Norfolk
President: Rev'd Jo Jones
Hymns: **433, 501, 98 and 503**
Communion: **297 and 386**
Anthem: Come my way – *Vaughan Williams*
Gospel: John 14:1-14.



After worship, please stay for refreshments and chat at the back of the church



Collect: Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your Risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer: Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

ST PAUL'S HIGHWOOD

9.30am FAMILY SERVICE – Marie Brooks

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

10.45am MORNING SERVICE (**Communion**) – Rev'd Michael Powell
(Coffee after the service)

The Parish Office is open Monday – Friday 10.00am – 12 noon – **Tel: 01245 422846**

You can light candles in the quiet of the Carpenter Chapel during office hours

ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to put flowers on the altar for a special occasion, please speak to Mary (**421215**) who is now keeping the diary. Thank you. *Diana*.
The altar flowers this week are in memory of Rex, from the Gardner Family.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 15th May 2017

Monday 15	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	12 noon	Prayers for healing and peace
	2.00pm	Edward Bear Club
Tuesday 16	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	URC - Coffee Morning till 12 noon
	12.30pm	Funeral of Doreen Pearson
	6.30pm	Bell ringing practice – young learners
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Wednesday 17	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	URC Prayer Meeting at 49 Chestnut Walk, Chelmsford
	12 noon – 1.30pm	URC Austerity Lunch in aid of Christian Aid, everyone welcome.
Thursday 18		Organ tuning – t.b.c.
	10.00am	Link Club Coffee Morning in Christian Centre till 11.45 before Link Club
	7.30pm	Fabric Committee meeting
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice – adult learners
Saturday 20	7.30pm	Concert by Allegro
Sunday 21		ALL SAINTS – Easter 6 Rogation Sunday
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	ALL AGE WORSHIP
	11.15am	Matins (Please note time change)
	2.00-4.00pm	Churchyard Tour
	4.30-6.00pm	Young Bellringers practice – t.b.c.
		ST PAUL'S HIGHWOOD
	9.30am	t.b.a.
		UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
	10.45am	Morning Service – Mr. Alan Sayles

FOR OUR PRAYERS

At church: The organisers and collectors for Christian Aid.

At home: St Michael and All Angels, Roxwell and Rev'd Susan Ives.

Abroad: Lord we lift India to you in prayer. Protect those who are at risk because of their faith.
Move powerfully and spread peace and justice for all.

Those living in Writtle Road and Bridge Street

The sick: Nicola Owen, Rachel Horsnell, Margaret Underwood, Sonny Arthur, Ann Batt,
Penelope Smee [nee.Fulbeck], Violet Weaser, Bishop John Wraw, Sue Tilley, Ann Coverley,
Darren Fazackerley and those named in the Book of Prayers

Those in residential care: Eileen Crabb, Margaret Pedlar, Mildred Bunting and Violet Chapman

Those receiving Communion at home: Ron Wakeling; Dorothy and Ron Pointer.

R.I.P: Doreen Pearson; Anthony Richardson; Christopher Thurgood

Anniversaries of Death: May 17 2016 - Mary Cheeseman May 17 2015 – Raymond Rawlingson
May 17 2013 - Rex Gardner

Thinking about..... This edition of the Link includes a letter from Archbishops Justin and John, and an article from +Stephen about the General Election. Please give this your prayerful consideration in the coming weeks.

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS If you are new to the parish or just visiting, please introduce yourself to the clergy or one of the Churchwardens. A LOOP SYSTEM operates in the church for those with hearing aids. Switch your aid to 'T'. Tea and coffee are served after the service, please do join us.

BABIES AND CHILDREN

You are very welcome. There are toys and books at the back of the church in the children's corner. Toilet and changing facilities can be found in the Tower Vestry at the back of the church. Please feel free to move in and out of church during the service.

SCHOOL FOR DISCIPLES 2017 as part of the continuing initiatives under the Transforming Presence vision +Stephen is hosting learning & discussions focussing on the church community as the 'school' where we learn to follow Jesus in our daily lives, growing in faith and in serving the world we inhabit. Our deanery is invited to St Augustine's Springfield on **Thursday 25th May** or Chelmsford Cathedral on **Tuesday 27th June**. Refreshments at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. *Everyone* is welcome - clergy, wardens and PCC members will be going but it is open to all disciples! Please arrange car shares where possible.

CONFIRMATION: *Good news!* All Saints will be hosting a deanery confirmation service in November this year. Please let Rev'd Jo know if you're thinking of being confirmed so we can arrange preparation sessions.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: The next one is on **Saturday May 20th** 'Living fruitful lives' with John Parminter. Same timing, cost (£14), and pattern as before. Contact **Geoff 421725** if coming.

CONCERT by ALLEGRO: 7.30pm May 20th. Allegro is a choir of 16 talented musicians from various musical backgrounds. Their aim is to have fun singing together, perform concerts to a very high standard and raise funds for local charities in the process. They will be singing songs from Bach to Beatles on the subject of Trains, Planes and Boats. Tickets are £10 which includes a glass of wine. We need to give them a good audience and a fantastic profit for the church, so please can you give this your time and make up a party of friends to come along. Tickets are on sale from the church office or from me. *Sue Howden*

INTERESTED IN FORMING ANOTHER QUIZ TEAM? Tomorrow! Mon 15th May, the All Saints and Sinners quiz team will be returning to the Rose and Crown to test their wits! It would be great to have another church team so we can be seen in the community rather than just in church! If you'd enjoy it (even if your role would be more about team morale than answering questions), please talk to others to form a team and come along at 8.00pm tomorrow Monday 15th May!

LINK CLUB: Link Club is holding a coffee morning on Thursday 18th May at 10am - 11.45am. Entry 50p (includes coffee.) Bring & Buy, Raffle and Cakes. Please come. *Link Club Committee*

BOOK GROUP: The next meeting of the book group will be on May 23rd. We're having a change of venue this time and are meeting in the Rose and Crown Pub at 3.30pm. The book we are reading for this meeting is Chaim Potok's *My Name is Asher Lev*. It would be great to see some new people in the group so please do come and join us.

FRIENDS OF WRITTLE PARISH CHURCH: Join us for a guided tour of All Saints Church and Churchyard on Sunday, 21st May at 2.30pm until 4.00pm. **To book a place please contact Wendy Hibbitt, our guide, on 421265 or e-mail: wendyhibbitt@hotmail.com** Light refreshments will be served at the end of the tour. A charge of £3 will be collected on arrival.'

AGE UK TEA PARTY Monday 22nd May 2 pm in the Small Hall of the Christian Centre.

Age UK are coming to the Dementia Tea Party to let everyone know of the services that they can provide for elderly people. Because this meeting could benefit more than just the Dementia Group we are inviting anyone who is elderly and would like to know what Age UK has to offer, or anyone who has a relative/friend who they feel may find the information useful. There will be the usual tea/coffee and home made cakes for everyone who attends. For further information please contact Dianne Collins on **01245 423189**

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN CHELMSFORD are organising a hustings meeting with candidates from the main political parties on Friday June 2nd at 7.30pm. This meeting will be at Christchurch URC, 164 London Road Chelmsford. See poster in porch for further details.

OPEN GARDENS JUNE 11TH We have been asked to do lunches and teas in the Small hall of the Christian Centre So guess what comes next !! Yes Please, could you make cakes for the teas? This year Isabel is not having teas in her garden . Instead Pam is heading up the tea team as last time and I am doing lunches. You are always so generous in your response to our pleas so I thank you in advance. Cakes can be left with Pam or me or brought to the Christian Centre on the Sunday morning. Our service will be at Highwood at 10am, but I will be in the Christian Centre by 11am. *Sue Howden*

LENT APPEAL: Many thanks to all who kindly contributed to our Lent Appeal for Chess. The grand total of £821.88 + Gift Aid was donated. Our thanks to all on the Social Committee and John for his film.
Charity Committee

BELLRINGING: On Saturday 6th May, a successful peal of 5040 changes of Swindon Surprise Royal was rung in 3 hours 19 minutes. The band were:

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| 1. Andrew Brewster | 6. Paul Mason |
| 2. Anthea Edwards | 7. Philip Saddleton |
| 3. Jo Dorling | 8. Paul Curtis (Conductor) |
| 4. Ruth Curtis | 9. Alan Regan |
| 5. Christina Brewster | 10. Ian Campbell |

The peal was rung to commemorate the life of Private John Poole aged 33, a ringer here, who was drowned whilst on Active Service on 4th May 1917 *Andrew Brewster*

LINK CLUB – SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: Holy Communion in the Link Club will be celebrated at 11.15am on the following dates: 25th May, 22nd June, 10th August, 28th Sept., 26th Oct. and 30th Nov. All are welcome.

THE LINK: Please send notices for inclusion in The Link by email, thelinkwas@btinternet.com by Wednesday evening. If you do not use email, notices may be left in the Link tray or folder in the Church Office, also by Wednesday evening. Please write any names in capital letters to ensure no mistakes! Many thanks *Jo Ellis*

THE CHURCH'S FACEBOOK PAGE. It is of course 'Writtle All Saints Church.' Any questions please contact either Chanon or myself. *Paul Summerton*

FLAG DAYS FOR MAY. Thursday May 25 Ascension Day Diocesan flag

FORWARD DIARY DATES

Wednesday May 10	Christians Together at the URC 7.00pm
Thursday May 11	Coffee Morning, Bumpsteads Farm.
Monday May 15	Quiz night at the Rose and Crown
Sat May 20	Men's Breakfast – details above Concert given by ALLEGRO, in Church 7.30pm
Sunday May 21	Church and churchyard tour 2.00-4.00 pm – date provisional, to be confirmed.
Tuesday May 23	Book Group meeting – details above.
Monday May 29	Cooksmill Green Open Gardens
Friday June 2	CTiC Hustings meeting. Christchurch URC, 7.30pm.

Psalm 24 v 1

The Earth is the Lord's and all that fills it,
the compass of the world and all who dwell therein.