

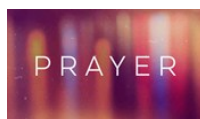
## Prayer bulletin

Give thanks for:

- The life of Howard Bristow – for his many years of faithful discipleship.
- The agreement of the roofing contract.
- The interview day for a parish rector having happened.

Pray for:

- Whoever God is calling to be our new rector.
- Opportunities to tell your neighbours or friends why you come to church.
- Healing for those who are sick.
- Opportunities to tell people we are praying for them and to offer to pray with them.



## Weekday Morning Prayer at St Mary's 8.30-9.30

A small group meets Monday-Friday mornings to read the office of morning prayer, discuss the Bible readings and pray together. It's a great way to start a day. Come in by the Rectory gate to the office entrance.

**Home or hospital communion:** If you are housebound or in hospital and would like to receive communion, please let the vicar know. We have a team of people authorised to bring you communion at home or in hospital as an extension of our Sunday worship.

## House Group:

Meets Tuesdays 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 7-8.30 pm at Liz & Terry's house.  
We are continuing the 'Grace' course. .



**The Gate Café** at St Mary's is open every Thursday, 9.30am to 1pm

## WHO'S WHO

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**Available Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10am-1pm**



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## Tilgate Link July 2025

### 2 Chronicles 29:29

When the offerings were finished, the king and everyone present with him knelt down and worshiped.

### Sunday Services

6 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
13 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
20 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
27 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship
3 <sup>rd</sup> August	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion

**10.30 Sunday Services are followed by coffee/tea in the lounge.**

Do join us for a drink and a chat.

**Parish Communion service on Tuesdays at 10.00 a.m.** Services are led in turn by both vicars in our parish, with lay ministers preaching at some. The service is followed by coffee/tea and time to chat in the lounge.

**In need of prayer?** If you would like someone to pray 1:1 with you, please speak to the vicar or service leader after the service. Anointing for healing is also offered.

### Thought from the vicar:

We are not a church with a building project; we are a church with a mission project that has a building to care for. (Yes, I know I've said it before.) Excited though we are to have raised a high proportion of what we need for the new roof and to have fixed a contract and start date for the work, these are side issues to our mission.

We have a dual calling – to worship God and to bring others into his kingdom. We need to come to worship with eager anticipation; we need to leave full of the Holy Spirit, to tell others what we have experienced. This month's Bible teaching starts with Jesus sending 72 of his followers to prepare surrounding villages for Jesus to come, by healing the sick and telling them that "The kingdom of God has come near to you." This is what he wants us to do too; to prepare our neighbourhood for the coming of Jesus.





**Lighthouse Project Crawley 95% Prayer Meeting** praying for children who have no church connection, is this Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm at Christ the Lord, Broadfield RH11 9BA. **This is the final 95% Prayer Gathering** of this school year. If you long to see children in our town reached for Jesus, do come along and pray for them.



**New Gen Youth Church service** at St Andrew's Church, Furnace Green - a service for all youth aged 11-18 years Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July. 7.00-8.15pm  
*This is a monthly Youth Service at St Andrew's for secondary school children.*

**Howard Bristow's funeral** 9<sup>th</sup> July 2pm in Holy Trinity Church followed by committal at the crematorium and tea in the church hall/lounge. To help seating and catering planning please let Jill know if you plan to attend.

Howard was a much loved member of this church family for many years and served in many roles including reader, treasurer and church warden. He will be greatly missed. We thank God for him and rejoice that he is now with the Lord Jesus whom he loved and served.

**Funeral flower arranging:** Tuesday 8th July 3pm in church

### Special St Mary's Craft Evening - Wednesday 9 July

St Mary's are having a special Flower Arranging Craft evening on Wednesday July 9<sup>th</sup>. Ann Dutton will be helping us to make a small table flower arrangement. Flowers provided. Spaces are limited so please email Debbie Gregory (allenanddebbie@hotmail.com) or Claire Jordan (claireajordan@outlook.com) to book a space for you or a friend.



### St Mary's Cake and Company Special Event

Organ Recital - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm

St Mary's are delighted to have Malcom play a range of music on the organ for a special event Cake and Co followed by tea and cakes. Please do come and join us and invite and bring a friend.

### Save the date:

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August – Summer Garden Party. 3.00-5.00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church.

**Roof: Good news.** With valuable backing from PCC to give us a bridging loan to enable us to start work before all the pledges come in, we have agreed with Sussex Asphalte that they will start work on the roof on 15<sup>th</sup> September. Scaffolding will be erected the previous week. Work is expected to take 10-12 weeks. We are still awaiting responses on some grant applications, and have not yet had the total amount needed pledged or donated. Any surplus giving once the roof is paid for will be used towards the next project – replacing the single glazed doors and windows.

**Official notice:** The Interview Day [for a new parish rector] has been held and we look forward to making an announcement of the outcome as soon as we can.

### Church Hall, Lounge & Upper room regular use:

Day	Group	Time	Location
Monday	<b>Chris Witherrall</b>	3.30pm–9.00pm	Upper Room
	<b>Couch Quitters</b>	6.00-6.45pm	Hall
Tuesday	<b>U3A</b>	1.30pm-3.30pm	Hall
Wednesday	<b>Max Lewis</b>	4.00pm-5.00pm	Upper Room
	<b>Bloom Pilates</b>	5.45-7.45pm	Hall
Thursday	<b>Couch Quitters</b>	6.00-6.45pm	Hall

Please check this list and advise Janet if you are planning a church activity in the building.

### Please pray for our various community partners who use our buildings.

We currently have some spare capacity for **hall bookings**, so if you know of an organisation looking for a venue, encourage them to contact the Parish Office.

**The Easter Team Foodbank** thank you for all your kind and generous giving. Your donations are always gratefully received by the team and by the clients.

**Requests for July** - the team would really appreciate donations of **baked beans, tinned fruit and biscuits** this month please. Donations can be brought to the service in Holy Trinity on Sunday or Tuesday mornings or left in the crate on the Rectory doorstep in Forester Road at any time (envelopes with donations should be clearly marked and placed in the collection box).

The Easter team  
A CRAMBLE BY FOOD BANK PARTNERS

We are a family at Holy Trinity, and when families get together, they chat, and if visitors come in, they are welcomed. When coming to worship God, some people like to be quiet for a while before the service begins. In order to make both of these possible, I would encourage those who are ready to chat to do so in the lounge until just before the service, and those who want to be quieter to come into the church.

### Fundraising:

Silver and gold can be resold for church funds; is now the time to let go of the broken necklace or cufflinks that you never intend to repair and wear?

Foreign currency left over from a past holiday? Please bring it to church and put it in the glass bowl.

**Giving to the building Fund:** It's not too late to contribute – see Ian or collect a 'How to give' form from the church lounge. Once we have the £160,000 for the roof, any further monies will go to upgrading windows and doors and other aspects of restoring our building.

**Receiving Communion** If you are a baptised believer in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit we welcome you to receive the bread and wine (or just the bread, if you prefer). Come forward to the communion rail when invited. If you would like a prayer of blessing instead, come forward and keep your hands folded.

Please let the welcomers know when you arrive if you require gluten free bread or need to have communion brought to you at your seat.