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Administrator

Our administrator Anna is now contactable via telephone as we have switched to our new digital system. She will be available during her working hours as published above and will pick up any voicemails left outside of these hours when she is next in the office.

The next edition of the Weekly News will be sent out on Friday 3rd May. **Please email Anna with anything for that edition by Wednesday 1st May.**

Please pray for:

The Church For our Churchwardens as they shoulder extra responsibilities. For those who serve in our churches.

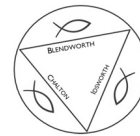
The World For all those who suffer in places of conflict particularly in Israel & Gaza—we pray for peace.

The Parishes For our PCCs and Churchwardens as they continue to formulate our Parish Profile. For those who are leading Lent Lunches and those who are attending

The Sick Dayle & Chris, Ann T, Gordon T, Alan and Clare

Those who are bereaved

If you wish to be on the list for prayers, please contact Revd Joy.



BCI CHURCHES

Weekly News

W/C Sunday 28th April

Easter 5

Welcome!

From the Ministry Team:

April seems to be disappearing at an alarming rate and May hoves into view faster than the river seems to be taking into subsiding...

We start this weekend by 'hosting' the Prayer Breakfast tomorrow morning for Horndean & Clanfield Churches Together at Catherington Church Hall. Thank you to my two volunteers who will be hosting with me. If you would like to come - breakfast is served beginning at 8.30am. We finish by 9.30am.

Other events coming up in May are overleaf including our rogation walk. Full details will be published next week but we would be glad to welcome you to some or all of the walk. Marcie, the vicarage dog and I have been out scouting the paths for suitability. She tells me she's exhausted!

I very much hope to meet a lot of you this weekend.

Revd Joy

Services this week and next

Services on Sunday 28th April

8am Holy Communion at St Johns led by Joy
 9.30am Morning Worship at Idsworth led by Dawn
 9.30am Holy Communion at Chalton led by Joy
 11am Morning Prayer at Blendworth led by Joy

Tuesday 30th April

11am Anna Chaplaincy Praise and Worship at Acacia House
 2pm Anna Chaplaincy Praise and Worship at Wisteria Lodge

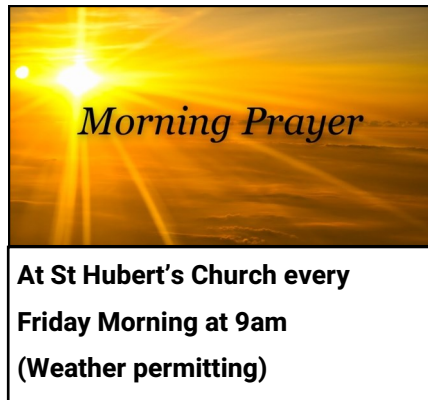
Friday 3rd May

10am Anna Chaplaincy Praise & Worship at Bere Grove
Services on 5th May—Rogation Sunday
 8am BCP Communion at Blendworth
 9.30am Holy Communion at Chalton
 9.30am Mattins at Idsworth
 11am Holy Communion at Blendworth

NB—on 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month, 8am services are at St John's Rowlands Castle or Catherington & Clanfield

Bible thought: 'Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another' 1 John 4: 11

What's on this week?



From Horndean Churches Together: Pentecost Prayer Room



In the Book of Acts, we read that a group of Jesus' disciples gather in a room to pray whilst waiting for the Holy Spirit to come. We want to try and emulate them by taking time during the lead up to Pentecost to

pray for ourselves, our churches, our community, our brothers and sisters around the planet and the world. Our target will be that between all the Churches in the Horndean and Clanfield Churches Together will be to fill all the hours of the week leading up to Pentecost with prayer. That's about 168 hours. To help us accomplish this, we are going to create a Prayer Room - a creative space that enables a chain of unbroken prayer. The Prayer Room will have lots of resources that will help us to pray: information, art materials, tactile ways to pray - like dropping a pebble into some water, or writing people's names in sand. There is no order or pattern in how you use the resources or even whether you use them at all.

We recognise that some people won't be able to physically attend the room and so the prayer resources will be converted into an online format for people to use at home, but we encourage you to come to the room if you can.

To join us, as we ask the Holy Spirit to come, you can sign up for hour sized blocks by going to our Prayer Room Website

<https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/552b1c>

Bible Readings

Sunday 28th April

Acts 8.26-40
Psalm 22.25-31
1 John 4.7-21
John 15.1-8

Sunday 5th May

Acts 10.44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5.1-6
John 15.9-17

Events & Services for May

Thursday 9th May Ascension Day service at St Hubert's Church 7pm

Sunday 12th May Rogation/Beating the Bounds walk around BCI starting at Blendworth at 9.30am

Monday 13th May to Saturday 18th May 24/7 Prayer Room at Blendworth Church Centre Chapel (Horndean Churches Together) Please read on for further information from Churches Together.

Sunday 19th May Pentecost and Chalton and Idsworth APCM's. (9.30am)

Saturday 25th May Mad Hatter's Tea Party at Idsworth, 2pm.

Sunday 26th May Trinity Sunday Altogether Service at Holy Trinity, Blendworth - 10.30am.

Monday 27th May Bank Holiday Tea @3 at Chalton

BCI Churches and the United Benefice of Catherington and Clanfield are looking for an Anna Chaplain who could come alongside our Anna Chaplain, Dawn, to accompany older people at this age and stage of their lives. It is an ecumenical, community-based, chaplaincy promoting the spiritual welfare of older people. We are in need of someone willing to train as a Chaplain with the Diocese and to be able to work with our team of 'Anna Friends' to bring this ministry to our older residents. You would need to be able to give one to two days a month at minimum. Please talk to either Revd Richard or Revd Joy in the first instance. There is training in the Diocese starting in May and all recruitment is subject to safer recruitment rules and to DBS clearance and to undertaking the necessary safeguarding training.

