



We give thanks for the High Time Project and refurbishment of our church.

Brenda Gudgeon (above) and The Coghlan Family (page 2) gave donations for glass doors.

Welcome

Thank you to everyone who has made a contribution for this issue with the theme of *Healing*. If you have a contribution that you would like to be considered for a future magazine article, limiting it to 250 words, please email ideas to: htmazine@htscf.org.uk

Our September issue will be called *Where are they now?*

Future Events

JUNE

PraiseMakers	Sunday 4th June 4-5pm (25 minute service followed by tea) Sunday 4th June at 9.30am service
Pentecost Sunday - <i>First Communion for our young people's group</i> Who Let the Dads Out?	Saturday 10th June at 10am
YOUTH Group - Parent Free Zone	Sunday 11th June 5pm-7pm (URC)
Parish Picnic - Manor Farm	Sunday 11th June at 12.30pm
Ladies Group	Saturday 17th June at 9.45am
Fairtrade stall	Sunday 18th June after 9.30am service
Mothers' Union - <i>Outing</i> <i>St Columba Fayre</i>	Tuesday 20th June
<i>Deanery Pilgrimage</i>	Saturday 24th June at 10am
People Alone Circle	Sunday 25th June
Lunchtime Concert - <i>Zephyr Wind Ensemble: wind band</i>	Tuesday 27th June at 2pm
Messy Church - " <i>Tower of Babel</i> "	Tuesday 27th June 12.30pm-1.15pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)
	Thursday 29th June at 4pm (Doors open 3.30pm Event 4pm-6pm)

JULY

Prayer Breakfast	Saturday 1st July at 8.45am
PraiseMakers	Sunday 2nd July 4-5pm
Godly Play	Sunday 9th July at 9.30am service
YOUTH Group - Parent Free Zone	Sunday 9th July 5pm-7pm (URC)
Fairtrade stall	Sunday 16th July after 9.30am service
Mothers' Union - Parish Centre	Tuesday 18th July at 2pm
People Alone Circle	Tuesday 25th July at 2pm
Lunchtime Concert - <i>Athanasian Consort: choral music from across the centuries</i>	Tuesday 25th July 12.30pm-1.15pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)
Messy Church - " <i>Journeys</i> "	Thursday 27th July at 4pm (Doors open 3.30pm Event 4pm-6pm)

AUGUST

PraiseMakers	Sunday 7th August 4-5pm
Lunchtime Concert - <i>Baroque Ad Hoc: music for harpsichord and recorders</i>	Tuesday 29th August 12.30pm-1.15pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)

Past Events



Celebrating Easter



Layla and Lola get Baptised



**Service of Thanksgiving and Dedication
West door in memory of John Coghlan**



May Fayre

Facing up to cancer - My Story

There are some words said to us that represent a moment in time that we never forget.

There are words that bring joy:
“You’ve passed!”
“Will you marry me?”
“It’s a boy!”

Then there are those which freeze us with terror:
“I’m afraid you have cancer”.

How can I describe my feelings when that happened to me?

I was warned that many people feel very angry, and say “Why me? It isn’t fair!” I didn’t feel like that at all, though. Why not me? It can happen to any of us. I am fearfully and wonderfully made, as the psalmist says, and our bodies can go wrong in so many ways. Sooner or later, they all break down. Nor did I feel I was being attacked by some alien being or force; it was my own body that created the cancer inside me, and there was no-one else to blame.

That doesn’t mean however that I was fine – I really felt that I was walking through the valley of the shadow of death. The timing of my diagnosis seemed particularly cruel. We were having our garden landscaped, the High Time project had just got under way and our daughter was expecting her first baby the following week. How do you face the possibility that you will not see these things come to fulfilment or get to know your grandchild?

During this difficult period of my life, I kept a journal which I have not shared with anyone until now. However, I

am revealing some thoughts here in the hope that others may find them helpful.

“What not to say when someone says “I have cancer”:

- Oh, I’ve always been afraid I might get that!
- I have a very healthy lifestyle, so I don’t think it could happen to me.
- I need an operation too - on my finger!
- I know someone with that, who’s still alive a year later!
- People can survive without all their internal organs, you know.
- Oh, is that the time? I must fly!

What has helped most: When people simply say “I’m sorry”, and then offer to pray with me and / or for me. While still undergoing the terrible, interminable wait to know if my cancer was treatable (which, fortunately, it was) I wrote this in my journal:

“After the first shock of fear that I might lose all the things which I hold so dear – the love of my family, the beauty of the world and of artistic creation, the fulfilment of doing the tasks assigned to me, my happy home – I am beginning to see how all these things were only lent to me. If they are to be taken back sooner than I expected, I hope I will be able to place myself in God’s arms, and see that that is what I have always been destined for.”

Sheila Holliday

Healing - a personal view

Back in the late 1970's, Keith Uphill started services for Healing and Wholeness on Mondays at St. Columba. He called around one day and explained a little about healing prayer and I became curious and decided to go along.

I had never experienced this form of service before. We always began with a time of singing worship songs, which created an atmosphere of praise. We prayed together in small groups and then there was an opportunity for the laying on of hands for individuals. This was a time when my personal faith really grew and I became aware of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and I sensed Jesus' love in a new way. There were regular area meetings and I remember going with Nigel Dean and others from our two churches and we realised that we were part of a ministry that was growing in other churches too.

So what have I personally learnt? I look back and recognise that those services and times of visiting the sick and housebound with Keith to offer healing prayer, was an early training for Prayer Ministry that we now offer after our services.

Prayer is at the heart of healing. The Bible teaches us to pray for one another and when we open ourselves up to the Holy Spirit – whether as someone asking for prayer or as the one offering to pray on behalf of another, we allow the Holy Spirit to work in us and through us. Healing is the Lord's work. Our prayers are not always answered in the ways we may be expecting and hoping for and it usually isn't instant, although it can be. What comes about may be gradual and subtle; blessings happen. By placing our

concerns and hopes with our Lord, we are recognising our need for Jesus to be involved in our lives, and that is a healing thing in itself.

Richard Foster says, "Healing prayer is part of normal life." Are we not all part of God's healing ministry? We pray for our families and friends, for the concerns of the world. I believe we share in God's healing work when we respond to someone who needs support, comforting or listening to with understanding? God can use us to bring his healing love to one another.

I came across these words recently, "those who leave everything in God's hands will eventually see God's hand in everything."

What encouragement then, to keep asking, to keep expecting something to change and to have open hearts and minds, so we can receive God's healing love and power, working in us and in other's situations. Keep looking and you will see God at work!

Elizabeth Fullarton



Holy Communion

Some of our young people have recently been preparing to be admitted to Holy Communion.

They will receive Communion for the first time on Pentecost Sunday (4th June).

They have looked at the items used, tasted the wafers and tried on the priest's clothes.



We have been meeting to learn more about the Christian faith and Church life and sharing food together.

As part of this, the young people were challenged to write a 'tweet'*answering the question 'Who is Jesus?'

* A 'Tweet' is a message limited to 140 characters that is used on Social Media
www.twitter.com



Here are some of their Tweets:

"Jesus is the Son of God who was sent to help people. He died on the cross and rose from the dead to give new life and love. We try to be like Him."

Holy Communion



“A kind and generous man, he sacrificed his life for us. He is the Son of God.”

“Jesus you’re my superhero, you’re my star, my best friend. Not just a man from stories; a real hero, a true star, my best friend!”

“Jesus is a gr8 kind and ♥ing person who is the Son of God. At Easter, he got hung on a cross and died.”

“Jesus is very special to me. I feel like he’s always watching over me and keeping me safe.”

“Jesus was a teacher and a prophet born in Bethlehem. The things he did and who he was made up the basis of Christianity and we try to be like him.”

“Jesus is #SonOfGod #KindMan #VeryCaring #DiedOnFriday #RoseOnSunday”

“Jesus is the Son of God. God sent Jesus to teach people how to live. Jesus is a kind loving man who helped many and performed miracles.”

“Jesus is the person we worship because we feel he has done good things in the world. He has healed the sick and helped the poor. #WeWillRememberHim”

“There has been a man in our town 4 the last week and ½ (everyone is on about him). His name is Jesus and some say he is the Son of God.”

The young people want to challenge you to write a response to ‘Who is Jesus?’ in 140 characters or less. We look forward to hearing your Tweets!

Rev’d Garry Roberts
Donna Irving

Parish Register

Baptisms



Lewis Burr
Layla and Lola Downer
Sienna Sterland-Isaacs

Wedding

Samantha Brown and
Darren Hickman



25th March 2017

Those who have recently died

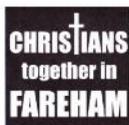
Claire Houghton
Donald Pryce
Irene Crampton

Kate Hancock
Marguerite Gee
Mary Cook

Olive Livingstone
Trevor Croombs
William Goodall

If you would like to arrange a Baptism, Confirmation or Funeral please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.

Activity Week 2017



...are pleased to announce...



Activity Week 2017

14-18 August 10am-1pm

Same great churches' team 😊

Meet Phil and his team again! 😊

Please email:

ctifholidayclub@gmail.com

to reserve a place.

In your email, please include:
the name(s) of the children,
their date(s) of birth and a mobile
phone number for contact.

You will receive confirmation that
places have been reserved and will
be emailed a consent form.

Please complete that consent form
and pop it into the Holy Trinity
Parish Office (mornings only) to
leave the form and your payment -
minimum £5 per child for the week
or part of the week.

Parish People



Angela Foley was born in 1944 in Manchester. She was an only child and educated at Bromley High School in Kent. Angela attended St Mary's Church, Bromley, with her parents. After completing her 'O' levels and a typing and shorthand course at Technical College, Angela worked in London for six years as a secretary. As her parents did not own a car, Angela was keen to learn to drive. She got a Saturday job, saved hard and bought an old Ford with no heater and just 3 gears. Being able to drive would be a key skill for her future role as a district nurse but of course she didn't know that yet.

Angela married Ian in June 1968 and in November he was assigned to New Jersey USA with IBM. Angela worked with a Pakistani team of auditors at the United Nations in New York and needed a car to be able to work at weekends. Her eldest child Jonathan was born there. The Foleys returned to the UK in 1971.

Angela's daughter, Victoria, was born in Portsmouth and, after working at a playgroup, Angela became a teaching

assistant for severely disabled children at Coldeast Hospital School. This was a challenging but rewarding job that lasted for 6 years. During this time, the family attended St John's in Locks Heath where she and her children sang in the choir. Jonathan is now a mental health nurse and Victoria a primary school teacher.

At the age of 37, Angela started a mature student nursing course qualifying as an RGN, and gained experience in many areas. This led to a diploma as a district nursing sister, a job Angela thoroughly enjoyed. She also studied for a BSc in nursing and took retirement in 2002.

Angela and Ian moved to Westborn Road, Fareham, in 1992 where she helped form the neighbourhood watch and organised the first street BBQ which is still an annual event.

She attends the 8 o'clock service at Holy Trinity and welcomes newcomers. Angela has been on church committees and helped organise community events. She recently started a small Muslim/Christian group of women that meet in each other's homes to talk about similarities and differences. Angela helps with the 'Lunch on Sunday' project for the homeless. She also visits the bail hostel with her dog, Nala, and listens whilst the men there voluntarily share their stories and hopes for the future. Angela enjoys spending time in France and being with her family, including her grandchildren.

Angela feels she has been inspired by her Aunt Doris who was a kind, compassionate yet rational woman; ran a boarding school for severely disadvantaged and abused children and lived life to the full engaging with her community.

Donna Irving

Why I Believe

I, like many people, have times of doubt and, when doubt enters my head, I always remember Jim Keighley and my faith is immediately restored.

When I lived in Iran, a young man worked for me in the aircraft engine cleaning department which entailed rinsing parts which had been cleaned in a bath of boiling water. When Jim was doing this, he fell into the bath.

He was hauled out and the company nurse called an ambulance and rushed him to the hospital. I rang my dear wife Marion and she contacted the vicar's wife who was a nurse and they rushed to the hospital. Marion rushed out and hailed a taxi – Hospital Aria Mehr Khali Zud. He took off like a bat out of hell, ignoring other traffic and traffic lights. When they got to the hospital, they found the ward was filthy and the doctor was smoking his pipe, the worst conditions for a burns patient. Jim was lying on his face, crying in agony – when he turned over, all of the skin on his face was sticking to the pillow.

Janet (our Vicar's wife) when she was praying that night thought of Sue Hargreaves who was the matron of the Christian hospital in Isfahan. She rang and Sue flew up immediately, I met her at the airport and took her straight to the hospital. Sue was like a ball of fire and in no time she cleaned up the ward and was ordering the doctors and nurses about. She would not let the doctors and nurses in until they were masked and gowned up. Sadly, still the prognosis was that Jim would die.

Marion sat in a small mat outside the

door to stop people going in. She stayed there day and night until the church organised other people to help. I was frantic but had the idea of contacting the children's headmistress whose husband was the head doctor in the Iranian Air Force – he told us to get Jim to the hospital in London as soon as possible or he would die.

The company doctor refused to release Jim and he and I argued all day but he wouldn't sign the paperwork. I told this to our Vicar, Stephen, and one of the blessings of being an expat is that everyone knows everyone and word gets around quickly. He told the congregation "As well as praying for Jim, pray for the doctor." The next morning, I was in the hospital at 6.30am when the doctor walked in and said "Where is the paper you want me to sign?" he signed it and Jim could leave.

Steve and I walked the streets of Tehran trying to get someone to take Jim home. The last air company we tried was Iran Air – they agreed to take seats out to accommodate a stretcher.

We obviously worried about it and we phoned Ian Robertson, a member of our congregation who was a pilot with Iran Air, put on his uniform and went to the aircraft to ensure there were no snags.

We saw Jim a few years ago and there was not a mark on him.

How can you not believe? The above ensures I do.

Dennis Wilson

Services

Regular services at Holy Trinity

SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Family Communion
MONDAY	8.30am	Holy Communion
TUESDAY	8.45am	Morning Prayer @ at St Columba Church
WEDNESDAY	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	Little Fishes
	10.30am	Holy Communion
THURSDAY	9.15am	Morning Prayer @ the Highlands Hub

We look forward to welcoming you to our church community

URC Junior Church and PFZ

Sunday 25 June 2017

Fareham URC Junior Church and PFZ invite you to an

All Age Morning Service with Guests

“jester jim and Hazy Dazy”

After the service there will be a BBQ

at church from 12.30 – 2.30pm

(in hall if wet)

Please come and join us.



Church Groups

There are many groups at Holy Trinity, if you would like to find out more, please contact the group leader or the Parish Office

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Choir • [Contact Office](#) • 01329 232688 • office@htscf.org.uk

Circle Dancing • [Trisha Prosser](#) • 01329 235381 • patpro@talktalk.net

Flower Arrangers • [Sue Purcell](#) • 01329 280472 • spurcell@btopenworld.com

Gardeners • [Ed and Margaret Pearce](#) • 01329 238068

Holy Dusters • [Sylvia Coghlan](#) • 01329 232200

House Group • [Sue Craft](#) • 01329 220021 • sel.mec1984@btinternet.com

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Little Fishes • [Debbie Le Fevre](#) • 07841 189195 • deb.lefevre@ntlworld.com

Mothers' Union • [Judy Jacobs](#) • 01329 232855 • jeyje@ic24.net

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