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Welcome

Thank you to everyone who has made a contribution for this issue with the theme of *Who Cares?*

After six years producing the HT magazine this is our last issue.

Future Events

JUNE

PraiseMakers	Sunday 3rd June 4pm - 5pm (25 minute service followed by tea and cakes)
St Columba Summer Fayre	Saturday 9th June 11am - 2pm



It's all hands on deck! Can you spare a few hands to make the St Columba Summer Fayre a success. We need help on stalls, games, refreshments and of course welcoming people. Please contact Jane Whiteley on 01329 668388.

Fairtrade stall	Sunday 17th June after 9.30am service
Mother's Union - <i>Outing - to be arranged</i>	Tuesday 19th June at 2pm
People Alone Circle	Tuesday 26th June at 2pm - 4pm
Lunchtime Concert - <i>Continuum - Choir singing popular music</i>	Tuesday 26th June at 12.30pm-1.15pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)
Messy Church - <i>Father in Heaven</i>	Thursday 28th June at 4pm - 6pm (Doors open 3.30pm, includes hot dinner)

JULY

PraiseMakers	Sunday 1st June 4pm - 5pm (25 minute service followed by tea and cakes)
Fairtrade stall	Sunday 15th July after 9.30am service
Mother's Union - <i>Translating for the deaf</i>	Tuesday 17th July at 2pm
People Alone Circle	Tuesday 24th July at 2pm - 4pm
Lunchtime Concert - <i>Athanasian Consort - Choral music across the centuries</i>	Tuesday 31st July at 12.30pm-1.15pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)
Messy Church - <i>More Journeys</i>	Thursday 26th July at 4pm - 6pm (Doors open 3.30pm, includes hot dinner)

AUGUST

PraiseMakers	Sunday 5th August 4pm - 5pm (25 minute service followed by tea and cakes)
Fairtrade stall	Sunday 19th August after 9.30am service
People Alone Circle	Tuesday 28th August at 2pm - 4pm
Lunchtime Concert - <i>Judith Wolpe with Karen Kingsley - Violin and piano</i>	Tuesday 28th August at 12.30pm-1.15pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)

Past Events



The children at Little Fishes had a great time helping plant the flowers in our memorial garden and what a fab job they did!! The children wore their 'Pentecost' crowns as they worked their spirit around the garden! Thank you to all of the children, parents, Margaret and our helpers.

Who Cares?



... Mothers' Union does, as our logo states 'Christian care for families worldwide'.

We begin our care with prayer. Firstly, we pray for families – all sorts of families in all sorts of situations. Secondly, we pray for our fellow members around the world, actively involved in the caring. Then we put the prayer into action, meeting the needs of the community around us.

In the UK, this might mean being a presence at Wedding Fairs, helping couples think about having a church

wedding. It may mean providing a holiday for families in desperate need of a break. Or it could be running Contact Centres – a safe haven where, after a divorce, non-custodial parents can spend time with their children. We also have a reputation for providing extremely good refreshments!

In many countries around the world, our ways of caring are very different. In the DR Congo, Mothers' Union has set up fishing projects and bakeries and in Kenya the focus is livestock rearing. MU provides funding for Peace and Reconciliation workshops in Sudan; for Food and Nutrition training in Guyana; and for farming and sustainable livelihoods instruction in Tanzania.

All these projects are designed to care for families wherever they are and however they need helping. Thus at any time of day or night, somewhere in the world someone is being cared for by the Mothers' Union.

Parish Register

Baptisms



Alex Butler
Alfie Abray
Cowan Offord
Oscar Bruton
Rebaz Ismail

Those who have recently died

Ann Cawte
Dave Humphrey
David Simpson
Dorothy Jempson

John Roffey
Vera Conduct
Violet Aldridge

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

Parish People

Rebaz Ismail

I was asked by Sally to give a short talk on Rebaz and his journey here. Rebaz left Iraq because his life and safety was at risk. He travelled by both van and walking through the following countries, Turkey, Greece, Bulgaria, Serbia, Hungary, Belgium and France. After a stay in the jungle at Calais he made his final journey to the UK; a total of 3,175 miles. We were asked if we could look after Rebaz and give him the support he desperately needed at the time.

After a short while Rebaz asked if he could accompany us to church here at Holy Trinity. The ministry team and the congregation made him extremely welcome and he requested to be baptised into the Christian faith.

I don't always remember what Sally says but I do recall her saying to Rebaz that God has a plan for him today has proven this to be true. Rebaz has come on a very long journey but from today a new journey starts for him. It is important for him now to look forward to the road ahead, as we all know it is not a good idea to spend too much time looking into the rear view mirror where we have been, but concentrate on the road and journey ahead.

In Phillipians 1 vs 6 it says 'His goodness and mercy will follow you all the days of your life'. This gives comfort for the journey that we all must take. There is a few verses of that well known chorus 'One More Step along the World I Go' which I will give to Rebaz to keep.

Parish People

Revd Judy Henning



I was ordained in 1988, the second year that women could be a 'Reverend'. I have served in Catherington and Clanfield, Leigh Park, Whiteley, Old Cleeve in Somerset and Rainham in Kent.

I retired last year and Geoff and I moved to Titchfield Park to be nearer our daughter, Deb, who lives with her family in Finchdean. Time flies by and it doesn't seem possible that our granddaughter will be 18 next week and our grandson 14.

We did the circuit of the local churches and chose to make Holy Trinity and St Columba our home for now.

Geoff is a retired funeral director but since we moved has undertaken (no pun intended!) to assist at funerals when he is able to.

I have been helping Sally by taking services in both our churches during the last few months and we are gradually getting to know people's names!

When I retired I fully intended to take up my paintbrushes again and have managed to produce two paintings so far.

Both Geoff and I enjoy singing and have joined the Hayling Community Choir of which Deb is the Assistant Musical Director. She is the MD of Catherington and Clanfield and also a Reader in the Diocese. Her husband Steve is an engineer at Southampton Airport.

The photo I have included is one taken of the two of us at our farewell service in St Margaret's, Rainham, where I had been the Vicar for six years.

Thoughts from our Rector



We might well ask that question as we observe inequalities in our community or listen to the tragic stories of the world news. Who cares indeed! It's understandable we get overwhelmed by all the things around us which we know are unjust and wrong.

But where does that kind of thinking get us? Just down. The temptation to shut it all out is strong – “stop the world, I want to get off!” We all feel like that at times. And yet that's not the full story. We can't change the world but we can do something in our own neighbourhood that will make a big difference to someone.

There's been growing concern among the Christians in Fareham about the plight of the homeless whose numbers seem to be growing. A recent meeting was called and 18 people turned up. They started by looking at what was happening to help meet some of the needs – 9 initiatives were known about, from housing support, free food, drink and friendship, lunches, basics banks and signposting. It was recognised that people in this situation have complex needs and so it's important to partner

with other organisations – Fareham Borough Council, British Legion, Housing Associations and individuals who've started their own projects out of compassion. We recognise there's more that can be offered: advocacy, money management skills, cooking and general life skills. This first meeting has created an energy and a momentum that we'll be following through. Who cares? We do!

The Windrush Generation hitting the headlines has brought a human face to the plight of immigrants who came at our invitation to settle and work here, to help re-build the country following the devastation of the 2nd World War. I hope it has also made us think about how we behave toward the 'alien in our land' who have fled a dangerous or desperate situation in their own country. Every case is different and needs to be judged on its own merits. That is an enormous task.

A small initiative that has been going for a year now is that a few of us from churches in Fareham stand outside Fareham police station every month to be a friendly, unjudging presence to those who have to register there with the Home Office. We invite them for a coffee over in the Tesco Community space; a chat and a listening ear. It's not much but such a small gesture seems to mean a lot to those who come.

Who cares? Well, a lot of us do actually. In our own way, in small gestures, with small beginnings, we are reaching out to the stranger; the one whose lifestyle, whose origins are different from our own. Somehow, we all get changed along the way. Funny really...

Services

Regular services at Holy Trinity

SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Family Communion
MONDAY	9.00am	Morning Prayer
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

Visit to the Al Mahdi Centre

It was a privilege to join our Muslim friends, Yasmin, Fatima and Anar, from the Chums Group for a Ramadan Breakfast. Chums have been meeting in one another's homes for over a year now. We arrived in time for a talk in English plus the last prayers before sun down. The talk was relevant to both faiths and amongst other things reminded us that true happiness comes from contentment not



having the latest car or big house. My highlight was a little Muslim girl in a beautiful party dress who smiled at us as she silently danced her way through the prayers. The fast is always broken by the personal giving and receiving of a delicious juicy date. A shared feast of many different dishes followed and we drank hot, sweet Indian tea from our new Al Mahdi mugs!

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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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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