

Issue 6: Garden Life at Holy Trinity



Welcome

Thank you to everyone who has made a contribution for this issue
with the theme of *Garden Life at Holy Trinity*

If you have a contribution that you would like to be considered for a future
magazine article limiting it to 150 words please email ideas to
htmazine@htscf.org.uk

Our July issue will be called *Developing our mind, body and spirit*

Future Events

MAY

Afternoon Concert <i>Thomas Bowes plays violin</i>	Sunday 5th May 3.30pm - 4.30pm (tea and coffee available afterwards)
Lunchtime Concert <i>Fareham Leisure Centre over 50s choir</i>	Tuesday 7th May 1pm - 2pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)
Growing Old Gracefully 'Senior Moments'	Thursday 9th May 2.30pm - 4pm
Mini Olympics (Spirit in Sport event)	Saturday 18th May 10am - 12pm (refreshments available)
Bereavement Service TRINITY SUNDAY	Sunday 26th May 3pm at St Columba Sunday 26th May 9.30am (Bishop Christopher will lead)
4th Sunday Study Group (in Parish Lounge)	Sunday 26th May 11am - 11.45am (Bishop Christopher will lead)
Little Fishes Go BIG Carpet of Flowers	Wednesday 29th May at 10.30am Thursday 30th May

JUNE

Lunchtime Concert <i>Stokes Bay Strummers</i>	Tuesday 4th June 1pm - 2pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)
Growing Old Gracefully 'Being Creative'	Thursday 13th June 2.30pm - 4pm
Ordination of Rev'd Keith (all welcome)	Saturday 29th June 6pm (at Portsmouth Cathedral)
Keith celebrates his first Eucharist	Sunday 30th June 9.30am (followed by Lunch 12pm- 2pm)

JULY

Lunchtime Concert <i>Karen and friends</i>	Tuesday 2nd July 1pm - 2pm (bring lunch, tea and coffee available)
Growing Old Gracefully 'Money Management'	Thursday 11th July 2.30pm - 4pm

Carpet of Flowers at Arundel Cathedral

On Corpus Christi Day, last June, a visit was made to the famous flower festival at Arundel Cathedral by a small band (two!) of parishioners. Braving heavy rain on a riverside walk from Ford, John H and Paul C were well-rewarded by the wonderful flower displays, with a carpet along the nave and arrangements at the altar and other points in the cathedral. A couple of examples are shown.



We are hoping to go again this year, so keep **Thursday 30th May** free in your diaries. Once more, but hopefully without the rain, we will get the train to Ford, walk along the river Arun to Arundel, (taking in the magnificent view of the castle, cathedral and town), see the display, have lunch and eventually return by train from Arundel.

John Holliday

DIOCESAN PENTECOST PARTY



Mini Olympics
Saturday 18 May
10 - 12 noon



Holy Trinity Church
West Street
Fareham

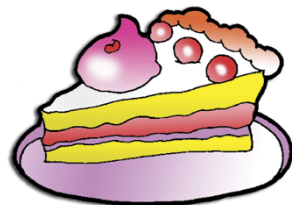
Come and join our free community event in the grounds of the church. The Spirit in Sport Team will be leading some fun physical activities for all ages. Free bacon rolls and refreshments.



Everyone welcome!



The Mini Olympics event is part of the Diocesan Pentecost Party where each church makes a gift to the community. This is a free event for all ages and we would love to see you there! One child from each event will be chosen to have tea with the Bishop of Portsmouth and take a piece of the celebration cake back to their community.



Parish Register

Baptisms and Confirmations

Anthony Newlyn
Bobby Noakes

Iris Riddett
Teddy Noakes

Marriages

Richard Butler and Abbie Harrington • 6th April 2013

Those who have recently died

Betty Goodman
Bonita Newell
Brian Berry
Carol McKeown
Carole Gladding
Chris Ward
Clementina Finch
Cyril Jones
Dorothy Bowyer
Elizabeth Mouat

Frederick Brown
Jan Beaver
Jennifer Mitchell
John Hucker
Leonard Watts
Margaret Howard
Robert Heys
Ronald Levey
Russell Bailey
Winifred Chilvers

The next Bereavement Service will be on Sunday 26th May 3pm at St Columba

If you would like to arrange a Baptism, Confirmation or Funeral please contact the Parish Office or drop into Vestry Hour at the back of the church on the 1st Saturday of each month at 10am.

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KEEP
CALM
AND
CARRY ON
GARDENING

If you are good at weeding, mowing the grass, planting or growing and are keen to help take care of our wonderful gardens please contact the Parish Office.

BIG Thank You!

to all those who help maintain
the Parish Gardens.



Parish People

Ed and Margaret Pearce



It was a pleasure to meet Ed and Margaret in the home I last visited as a small child as my grandmother and Margaret's mother were life-long friends.

Ed and Margaret are keen gardeners and look after the many plants and shrubs in the church grounds. Their hard work is unseen by many but the results are enjoyed by all who walk past or visit the church.

Margaret was born in Fareham and grew up in a Christian family. She went to Sunday School at the Jubilee Pentecostal Church in Portsmouth that was led by my grandparents. As a young woman, Margaret moved away to work near London and it was here that she started attending a C of E church with a work colleague. Margaret was confirmed at St Paul's Cathedral. Ed grew up near Kingston on Thames and was a choir boy in the church choir.

He worked for the Greater London Council. It was at Christchurch, New Malden, that he met and later married Margaret.

Margaret and Ed moved to Fareham in 1986 as Ed secured a job in the planning department at Fareham Borough Council. They have a son and daughter and a 16 month old granddaughter.

An invitation to church services posted through their door encouraged them to come to Holy Trinity where they found a warm welcome. Ed and Margaret gradually became more involved with the church and they joined the choir. Margaret also sings with the Portsmouth Baroque Choir and Ed with the Fareham Philharmonic choir. They are both members of the Wyndcliffe Voices and are looking forward to going to Canterbury Cathedral in May. They are active members of the National Trust and enjoy walking.

Ed and Margaret also work in the church office each week and support activities such as Messy Church. They would love more help with the church gardens so if you have a passion for things that grow or are a whizz at weeding, please contact them through the Parish Office. We are truly grateful to Ed and Margaret and all the people who help to look after the church grounds - Margaret makes an excellent victoria sponge too!

Interview by Donna Irving

Thoughts from our Curate



Although it did not feel like it in early April, Spring is here and the superb display of flowers is a testimony to that. My admiration for those who grow them is enhanced by the fact I am poorly equipped for gardening! Give me a plant and I can kill it in double quick time, without having to resort to weedkiller!

Inadequacy is one of the dominant emotions I have also experienced in my journey with Christ. I felt totally inadequate when going through the training and formation process for ordained Ministry and frequently feel inadequate as I live out my ministry.

Doubt and insecurity often go hand in hand with faith and this was something that came out in the recent Lent groups, but is this something we should be scared to acknowledge? Questions and doubts about our faith are understandable, even healthy. St Thomas, one of Jesus' chosen disciples, is famous for having the courage to express his doubts publicly so we are in good company. We shouldn't feel worried about them or ashamed of them, it is better to raise them if it helps us to respond positively and move forward. The doubts and questions only become a problem if they leave us paralysed by uncertainty.

Moving forward when struggling with doubts is difficult to do alone and that is why it is important for Christians to develop the discipline to engage in group activities that will help them explore their questions and grow in faith. So I encourage you to seek opportunities to grow in faith with others, whether it be in occasional sessions such as the Lent study, in Home groups, or in the study group that meets after the service on the 4th Sunday of each month. Make the most of these safe places to explore your doubts.

Keith Wickert

Have you tried our new Sunday morning study group? It is held on the 4th Sunday of the month after the 9.30am family service (from 11am - 11.45am). It allows us to further explore the themes of the sermon for the day and discuss questions that we may have. The next study group meeting is at 11am on Sunday 26th May. On this day, Bishop Christopher will be leading our worship at Holy Trinity and will lead the study group looking at the questions that we may like to consider following his sermon. Please see Keith for further details.

Services

Regular services at Holy Trinity

SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Family Communion
MONDAY	9.15am	Morning Prayer
TUESDAY	9.15am	Morning Prayer @ the Highlands Hub
WEDNESDAY	9.15am	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

Just for FUN



Answer to the March Just for FUN

Well done if you noticed the website address was wrong

John Edward Platt died in 1933
When did his wife Annie his die?



(You will find the answer somewhere in the memorial garden)

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

Band • [Sue & Pete Hall](#) • 01329 233775 • thehall.family@virgin.net

Choir • [Hazel Ricketts](#) • 01329 284717 • hazel.ricketts@gmail.com

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 • scraft@btinternet.com

Junior Church • [Helen Cobb](#) • 01329 234750 • hmcathome@btinternet.com

Little Fishes • [Hazel Ricketts](#) • 01329 284717 • hazel.ricketts@gmail.com

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

PAC (People Alone Club) • [Beulah Brewer](#) • 01329 233236

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