

Weekly services at St Thomas a'Becket

Sunday each week

8.00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

9.45 am Parish Eucharist and Children's Groups

5.00 pm Evening Worship

Tuesday 7.00 pm Eucharist in Church

Each Second Tuesday Healing Service in Church during the Eucharist

Wednesday 10.00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

We remember those who have died: Mary Goldsmith, Sally Burse, Peter Buttery.

Oliver Williams, Paloma McCoy and Edie Carter were baptised.

James Goddard and Alexandra Chalk were married.

Pagham Harbour WI meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month at Pagham Village Small Hall 2-4pm. New members are most welcome, please phone 01243 262434 for details.

August 23: Social Event

The Life Centre: A confidential space for survivors and their supporters to offload. If you are a survivor or wanting help in supporting a survivor you can use our help-lines to talk through any aspect of what you have gone through and how it is affecting you. *text helpline: 07717 989 022*

for adults tel: 0844 847 7879 for under 18s tel: 0808 802 0808

Pagham Luncheon Club

We meet every other Wednesday at St Ninian's Church Hall (next door to the Village Hall) for a 2 course lunch. Why not join us, you will enjoy good company and make lots of new friends. Transport can be provided.

Please contact Jean (268818) or Derek (264966) for details.

The Vicar, Mark Eminson can be contacted at the Vicarage on 262713 or email eminson.mark@gmail.com

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Good News

August 2016

FELPHAM & MIDDLETON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

presents the

FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

Saturday 20th August 2016 2.00pm—4.30pm



Pot Plants

Floral Art

Flowers & Fruit

Cookery & Crafts

Children's Classes

Vegetables

St Mary's Centre, Grassmere Close, Felpham, PO22 7NJ

Non-members are welcome to the exhibit.

Show Secretary: Don Faircloth - 01243 587753

Membership: Paula Puleston - 01243 584843

Visitors are most welcome!

www.fandmhs.co.uk



A date for your diaries:

The Church of **St Thomas a'Becket** is holding the

ANNUAL PET BLESSING

on Sunday 9th October at 3.30pm.

To be followed by refreshments.

All creatures great and small are most welcome!



Letter from The Curate

Dare I suggest that now August is here that the sun might finally have arrived? Well let's hope so, and if not we will do what we always do and make the most of the summer whatever the weather. For many, August brings a slowing down of the pace of life, many of the clubs and groups that we are part of or volunteer for take a break, leaving us with more time on our hands.

This extra time comes as a relief for lots of us but for others it may be more of a struggle as the week loses its structure, and days can run into each other with little to tell them apart. I would like to suggest that this extra time could be used as a moment for self-reflection. September is often a time for new beginnings, new clubs and activities starting but August is the time to recharge our batteries, look forward and make plans. During the lazy days of summer there is time to think about our lives: what makes us happy; where are we discontented; what changes could bring us to happier or better place.

Jesus often spent time retreating into the mountains to pray and refresh himself. He would come

back to his disciples with a clearer focus and often a number of accompanying miracles, his Father would speak to him and renew his strength.

Pagham is a beautiful place to stop and renew our strength; to pause and reflect upon the direction of our life. As the pace of life slows slightly over August, take a moment to stop and reflect, to make some plans for the future. Whether you use the beautiful creation we have on our doorstep or come to our church building to enjoy the peaceful calm of that place: if we open ourselves up to God, we will find that He can speak into our lives, helping us to find the strength and resolve to move forward, moving into the plans and purposes he has for each of us.

*"those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint."
Isaiah 40*

Jo King—Curate.

Summer Family Activities at Chichester Cathedral

BOLD AND BEAUTIFUL

Friday 26th August 2016

10.00am – 3.00pm (Last entry 2.30pm)

Make a knight's helmet and shield or a lady's beautiful hat and jewellery. Try your hand at brass rubbing. Investigate the Cathedral's 'bold and beautiful' heroes and heroines on our trail.

Cost £2.50 per child aged 3-12, who must be accompanied by an adult. No need to book just pop in

Why not take advantage of the Cloisters café offer of Kids Meals for £1.50, when an accompanying adult buys a lunch item with a valid voucher?

Soft play area is available for under 3s.

For further details contact Sue on 01243 812497 812497 or email

education@chichestercathedral.org.uk

This edition of Good News is sponsored by Alison Blenkinsop to mark her first year of seaside life.

She thanks God for Pagham church, new friends, and kind neighbours around her home 'Bethany' in Swandene.

Wednesday Tots for Carer/Baby and Toddler Group

Come and have a cuppa and a chat on Wednesdays from 1.30 pm to 2.45 pm at the Church Centre, Nyetimber Lane, Pagham.

How about joining in and lending a hand on a rota basis? Joiners and new members always welcome!

BBQ and Skittles Evening at the Spur, Slindon.

Friday 19th August

6:30 for 7pm.

Tickets £18 from Rich Druce, 07825 309 585

You may like to sponsor an edition of Good News for a significant celebration or in memory of someone who has died. It costs about £50 to produce an issue.

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