

**Worship at All Saints Grayswood
March 2004**

Sunday 7th March (2nd Sunday of Lent)	8:00 am	Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Parish Communion led by Barbara Steele-Perkins
Sunday 14th March (3rd Sunday of Lent)	8:00 am	Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Morning Worship led by Barbara Steele-Perkins
	6:00 pm	Evening Service
Sunday 21st March, 4th Sunday of Lent (Mothering Sunday)	8:00 am	Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Parish Communion led by Richard Steele-Perkins
Sunday 28th March (5th Sunday of Lent)	8:00 am	Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Family Worship led by Barbara Steele-Perkins

Other Services -Every Monday at 9.00 am there is a short service of Morning Prayer. On the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month at 10.15 am there is a service of Holy Communion with prayers for healing. All are welcome at these services

All Saints Church Office - Our Church Administrator Janet Fry is in the Church Office on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. The office telephone/fax number is 01428 656504 and our e-mail address is allsaintschurch@grayswood.co.uk.

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Dear friends

First of all, thank you so much for the wonderful welcome you have given Richard and me. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity - cards, gifts and sincere warmth. I trust that same generosity of heart will spill over as I learn my way around and no doubt make a few blunders! That reflects something about God, I think: God's attitude to us is so loving and giving - and forgiving - and God's generosity overwhelming. Unfortunately, Christians don't always reflect that in the way we interact with people or respond to need - or difference, or change. It's wonderful when we do experience it however, and that's cause for rejoicing - wherever we find it, whether in people who claim to be Christian, or 'religious' or not.

As I write, we are still in the process of getting the house ready: we need to put up curtains in the living room and to decide where to put the pictures. And a kitchen item or two will find a more convenient home before too long! And that is a picture for me of how our lives are. None of us is done, finished, complete; we are all still in process of becoming - like a building site, not always attractive, but you know work is being done.

How sad when an individual or an institution implies they've got it all sewn up - they've got it all right, they know it all. All that happens, sadly, is they become closed people - closed to new opportunities and fresh ways of looking at things - or life, and they seem to be always on the defensive.

May we all keep reflecting a God who is infinitely generous and infinitely patient, and may we remain open to new possibilities.

Your new friend and neighbour

Barbara Steele-Perkins
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Events during March 2004

Wednesday 3rd	2.00 pm	Beehive Group, 147 Kings Road
Thursday 4th	4.00 pm	Prayers for the Persecuted Church, Hillbrae, Buffbeards Lane, Haslemere
Thursday 4th	7.30 pm	Gardening Club
Friday 5th	10.45 am	Womens' World Day of Prayer, St Christophers, Haslemere
Saturday 6th	7.45 am	Mens Breakfast
Saturday 6th	10:00 - 4.00	Faith to Faith - St Saviours Guildford
Wednesday 10th	9.30 am	Prayer for a Sea of Change - Guildford Cathedral
Wednesday 10th	8.00 pm	Grayswood Womens Institute
Saturday 13th	7.30 pm	Farnham Youth Choir, St Johns Godalming in aid of First Base for the Homeless - contact Stella Wardell 01428 682177
Tuesday 16th	2.15 pm	Monthly Bible Study, 31 Lower Road
Thursday 18th	8.00 pm	PCC Meeting
Monday 22nd	10:30 - noon	Good News Van, Corner Cottage, 77 Lower Road
Friday 26th	10:15 -noon	Rock Coffee Group, Rockfield, Ash Tree Close, Grayswood
Every Wednesday in March	12.30 pm	Lent Lunches, St Bartholomews

Prayer Coverage for the Village - In February we pray for those who live in The Mount, Upper Mount, and Williamson Close

Pastoral Care - If you need a priest please contact Barbara Steele Perkins at Church House, Grayswood (656504) or Rev Norman Jones in Haslemere (658107). For all other requests or concerns please contact Doreen Hutton, (644178), Pauline Lamb (643798), Peter Rix (644295), Jenny Wardill (644443), or Jean White (643338).

All Saints Notice Board

Lent Courses 2004 - There are three Lent Courses offered by All Saints during Lent each using the six studies in the book Portraits of Jesus. These studies will echo the life of Christ through people in the bible - namely Isaac, Joseph, Esther, Mary, Stephen and John. The courses are available on Tuesday evenings, Wednesday evenings and Thursday lunchtimes commencing 2nd March, 3rd March, and 26th February respectively. Please sign up at the back of church or contact David Culhane, Duncan or Rebecca Willows if you would like to sign up.

Barn Dance - All families are welcome to come to the annual Barn Dance in aid of the Grayswood Village Hall Fund on Saturday March 20th, 7 - 11 pm. Tickets cost £8.00 for adults, £5.00 for under 12s, and include a meal - contact Michelle on the Village Hall booking line 643859

Locking the Church - Gerry Bullen has kindly locked up the church each evening for many years and has now decided to hand over this task. If any one would be willing to take over this important job then please contact Pauline Lamb (643798) or Peter Rix (644295).

Newsletter Deliveries - We are always looking for assistance with delivering this monthly newsletter around the parish - if you can help please call Janet at the Church office on 656504.

Borrowed Books - It is the easiest thing in the world to borrow a book and forget to return it - please return any borrowed from the church library and you will surely be forgiven!

Grayswood Village Hall - If you would like to use Grayswood Village Hall for an event, a club, associations etc then please call the Village Hall booking line (643859) for further information.

Prayer Coverage for the Village - In March we remember those who live in Grayswood Road

Guildford Diocesan Day of Prayer - "Mind the Gap" is an opportunity to choose from a large variety of prayer experiences at Guildford Cathedral on Saturday 3rd April 2004 - more information from Mary Peters 01483 790328

"Seeking the Face of God" - five sessions offering times of worship, teaching and ministry at St Stephens on Sundays from 7th March to 4th April 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm.

Youth Pilgrimage Taize, July 24 - Aug 2nd 2004 - for 15 - 29 year olds sharing a camping holiday in France where you will meet thousands of young Christians from around the world in worship, work and fun. Further details from Rev Jan Gould (01262) 629976

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Newsletter Contributions David Glaser (01428 661687) edits this newsletter. Please leave contributions for future newsletters in his pigeonhole at the back of the church, or deliver them to Cope Side, Grayswood Cope or ideally e-mail to david@grayswoodparish.org. The publication deadline is usually the 15th of the month.