

I must remember in future to be very careful what I write in the Grayswood Runner!

For those of you that haven't heard – it was announced at our United Benefice service at the end of September that I am officially the new House for Duty Priest-in-Charge of All Saints Grayswood. I know I said in February – "I'm not applying for the job because I already have a house in Grayswood and I don't believe it's what God is calling me to do at the moment." and that was truly what I believed at the time.

However, when the applicant that we offered the position to turned it down I had to have a re-think. We had a photo jigsaw in the north transept during the application process and I asked people to pray for the new person as they completed the jigsaw. On the day of the interview the last piece of the jigsaw was put in - which I thought was a wonderful sign that we had found our candidate. However, when he turned the position down I went and stood by the jigsaw and asked God what he was playing at. The jigsaw was finished but we didn't have a new Priest! It was then I heard a very small voice say 'you're here'.

Of course I ignored it initially but over the course of the next couple of weeks some good friends began to challenge me as to why I still wasn't applying. And the long and short of it is – I did and I'm here – after jumping through a number of Anglican hoops of course!

I still won't be moving into Church House - the diocese is working on a housing allowance instead and will in due course rent the house out.

Having Chris as the new Rector in Haslemere means I have the additional support that I need, whilst allowing All Saints to maintain its own identity.

I look forward to serving Grayswood in my new role.

With love, Fi x

November 2019

Good Book Morning at 'Corner Cottage' 77 Lower Road

10.30 am—midday 4th Monday of every month



Do join us for coffee and lively discussions

Toddler Group

Wednesday mornings (term-time) from 9.15-10.45 am in the OJ Room in the Village Hall For details please ring Jane White, 643891 £2.50 per family unit



HOME GROUP

Wednesdays at 8pm

We begin with coffee & cake and end with prayer. Alongside our bible study, the real strength of the group lies in its fellowship - caring for one another. The group is very informal and lots of fun. Please do join us one month and see for yourself.

Phone David on 644125

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GOOD NEWS!

The PCC are very pleased and excited to confirm that Fi has been officially appointed as part-time Priest-in-Charge of All Saints. This was following a long and involved process that Fi had to go through to change her status from OLM (ordained local minister) to SSM (self-supporting minister). There will be a formal 'installation' in the next month or so. Watch out for the date as it would be lovely to have as many of the village and congregation there as possible to share that service with Fi, show our support and give thanks that God has called her to this new role within our Church, at the heart of the community.

PCC & Churchwardens

GRAYSWOOD COFFEE & CHAT

in the Village Club 10.30 - 12 noon



13th November

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month For more information, contact Di on 654303 or 07769 971720 or drdcook01@gmail.com





All Saints Christmas Fayre





ALL SAINTS INTERACTIVE!



A new initiative connecting 18-30s

ALL SAINTS INTERACTIVE, a facebook group connecting and supporting people aged 18-30 in the parish of Grayswood and beyond.

We know you're out there and others would like to know that too! Whether you are banker or poet, student or a chef (or all four!) - if you are living or working or even passing through the area we'd love for you to connect with us.

We also arrange social events and discussion forums on contemporary issues. If you're interested, or vaguely interested, or just curious - let us know! And if you know someone who might be interested let them know too!

Log in to facebook and search **FACEBOOK GROUPS** for 'All Saints Interactive'

Saturday 7th December

11.00am – 1.30pm Grayswood Village Hall

Please support us and help make this a great success again.

Contact Di (01428 654303; drdcook01@gmail.co.uk)

Farewell to Shirley

Harvest is always a special celebration but we had even more to celebrate this year. Jean White has been the organist for **65** years and Harvest is the anniversary of her first service. Along with acknowledging that milestone achievement we sadly had to say a very fond 'farewell' to Shirley - our Choir Mistress who has been running the choir at All Saints for many years. Shirley and her daughter Penny are moving down to Devon



and will be very much missed, not just by the choir and congregation but by everyone who knows Shirley. The congregation and choir had collected some money for vouchers which were presented to Shirley in the Village Hall during our Harvest lunch.

A heartfelt thank you Shirley for everything you have done for us at All Saints, you will be very much missed by us all.



'Outstanding' Nursery in Grayswood

Three years passes quickly and so it was that the Ofsted inspector came to visit us again on a beautiful sunny day in July. Working as we do in such a delightful English village we have the benefit of a



Next deadline: 15th Nov

spacious classroom in our village hall full of stimulating activities and challenges for the children as well as the green to run and play, the wild garden to explore and our shed where we design and create goodies from wood. In addition we have our daily woodland sessions in our nursery forest in Muddy Lane. There was much to show the inspector and not much time in which to do it - suffice to say she even used the car journey to and from the woods to ask questions and type her findings on her computer. Not a minute to lose!

We were delighted to be awarded our third successive 'Outstanding' grading and have now been holding this grade since 2010. This is testament to the professional commitment of the staff, the support of nursery families and the children who are a joy to have in the setting and ensured the inspector saw all the opportunities available each and every day. To end our academic year we were also awarded 'Millie's Mark' - an accreditation given to nurseries meeting a particularly high level of paediatric first aid qualification and ongoing practice. There are only a handful of Surrey nurseries who hold this award.

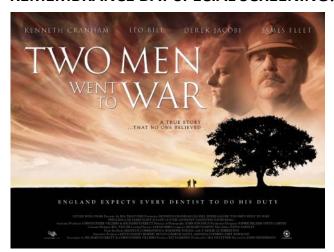


We would be pleased to welcome anyone in the village - give us a call and arrange a date for a visit to the hall or woodland. If you have some time available and you'd like to volunteer at nursery we have all sorts of things you can do - woodwork and cooking with the children, reading stories, art or gardening. Or come and be busy in our woodland. We'd love to have you with us. *Kate Dean*



Contact: 01428 656504 or allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

REMEMBRANCE DAY SPECIAL SCREENING!



Sunday 10th November, 2019 at 5pm "Two Men Went to War"

Chiddingfold Village Hall Cinema

A WW2 comedy drama telling the true story of two Aldershot Army dentists, Sgt Peter King (Kenneth Cranham) and Pte Leslie Cuthbertson (Leo Bill) who, in 1942 went AWOL with a bag of hand grenades and assorted dental equipment to invade occupied France on their own. The only person they told was Winston Churchill who reportedly said:

"A few more lunatics like those dentists and I could finish this war by Christmas!"

With an all-star cast including **Derek Jacobi, Julian Glover, James Fleet** and **Phyllida Law**, this feature movie recounts one of the strangest tales of the Second World War.

The film will be followed by a Q&A session with the film's screenwriter and Associate Producer,
Richard Everett, playwright and Grayswood local who originally discovered the story in Godalming Library.

Tickets £10.00 on the door or available online www.chiddingfoldcinema.com/book-online, from Treacle's Tea Shop, Chiddingfold or on the door All proceeds will be shared by Chiddingfold Village Hall (built as a memorial to those from the village who died in World War 1) and The L'Arche Community which creates independent living for adults with special needs and learning disabilities and with whom Richard does regular drama workshops (www.larchebognor.org.uk)



Join Grayswood WI for our November meeting. Taking a slightly different format to our usual gathering, November is our AGM. Enjoy fabulous foodie treats and delicious drinks as we review the six months since our revival and survey future plans.

Date: Wednesday 13th November **Time:** 7:45pm

Location: Grayswood Village Hall

New WI memberships available.
Guests welcome for a small fee. Contact
grayswoodwi@gmail.com for more information.



GRAYSWOOD VILLAGE HALL

Can you help your local village hall?
We are looking for a paid bookings secretary and administrator for the hall – initially 3 hours/week working on site with flexibility in the school holidays if required. The job includes supervision of routine maintenance, paying bills,

ordering supplies, website and social media.
For rates and further details contact
grayswoodvhsecretary@outlook.com
Deadline for applications 22nd November

GRAYSWOOD SCHOOL GOVERNORS Supported by FROGS

QUIZ NIGHT

Next deadline: 15th Nov

Friday November 8th

Hall doors open: 7.45 - Quiz starts: 8.15 pm £15 pp to include chilli supper. Cash bar Bring a team of 8 or join a team on the night

BOOK TICKETS ONLINE AT:

buytickets.at/thefriendsofgrayswoodschool/303631 Contact: grayswoodfrogs@gmail for more details All proceeds to the Governor's Building Works Fund (Security Fence and Windows)



Contact: 01428 656504 or allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

CHURCH SERVICES in NOVEMBER

All services at All Saints unless otherwise stated

2nd 4 pm Annual Memorial Service

3rd 8 am Holy Communion (St Christopher's)

10 am Parish Communion

(All Saints Day)

10th 8am Holy Communion

10.50am Remembrance Sunday Service

17th 8 am Holy Communion (St Christopher's)

10 am Parish Communion

24th 8 am Holy Communion

10 am All Age Morning Worship

(Christ the King)

VILLAGE PRAYER

In November, we remember those who live and work in Grayswood Road and Haslemere Road.



Do you need space to escape the busyness of life? Whether you want to pray, give thanks or find hope in times of despair, our beautiful Grade II listed church is open for you every day from around 9am until dusk in winter, and until 6pm in summer.

Would you like us to pray for you? God hears you, but it is good to know you have other people who care, joining with you! Phone us, email us, add your name to the book at the back of church, pop a note into the box in the church porch, or ask someone to pass a message on. A first name is all we need and confidences are ALWAYS respected.

Would you like a home visit or to speak with a priest?

Revd Fi Gwynn works part-time. Fi's day off is Friday.

Tel 01428 654728 / 07929 935179 Email: revfigwynn@gmail.com

Baptism? Wedding? Funeral? Please contact the church office on 01428 656504 in the first instance.

Do you have a general enquiry? Our church office is based in the church, is open Mon and Thurs mornings from 9—12 noon for general enquiries and is staffed by our administrator Sarah Bennett. At other times you can still leave a message or send an email.

Tel: 01428 656504 Email: allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com For more information, please visit our new website: allsaintsgrayswood.org



Cards for Good Causes Now until Saturday 14th December

Haslemere Educational Museum

Monday – Saturday 10am – 4.30pm & Sunday 1 December: 11am – 4pm

Contact: 01428 642112

Haslemere Cards for Good Causes is a multi-charity Christmas card shop selling cards (many with a religious theme) on behalf of 30 national and local charities including GUTS, Phyllis Tuckwell and the Fountain Centre. Helped by the support of local volunteers we are able to give a very high return to these charities. We also stock advent calendars, wrapping paper, tags, stocking fillers and other traditional gifts.

HASLEMERE FOOD BANK

The harvest donations have been amazing and there is no 'food need' list for this month.

Next list out in December.

Thank you for your



ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

on Saturday 2nd November 2019 at 4 pm

Whether you are remembering someone who died recently, or many years ago, please join us in this Service of Thanksgiving

If you would like us to read out the names of those you are remembering during a time of prayer, phone 01428 656504 or email

allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com



Grayswood School Christmas Fair

Saturday 30th Nov 4pm – 7pm All welcome, free admission. A traditional school Christmas Fair with stalls, games and more!



EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

In the Village Club:

Gardening Club: 7th November - 25 Gardening Tips with Mark Saunders

Coffee and Chat: Wednesday 13th November from 10.30—12 noon with homemade cake—drop in any time

Book Club: Third Tuesday (19th Oct) at 8 pm we will be reading 'The Trespass by Rose Tremain

Quiz night: Thursday 28th November at 7.45 pm—shake up those brain cells

In the Village Hall:

Toddler Group: Weds in term-time from 9.15-10.45 am, call Jane White on 643891

77 Lower Road:

Good Book Morning: 4th Monday in the month 10.30 am—midday

USEFUL NUMBERS

Village Hall Bookings: grayswoodvh@outlook.com Grayswood Club: 07808 474147 Grayswood School: 642086 Grayswood Nursery: 658931 Wheatsheaf: 644440