



July 2020

Dear all,

As I write this, we are at the end of the first week when all shops have been allowed to re-open. I know some people have been delighted to have the opportunity to get out and do some retail therapy but I have chosen to stay away for now, other than doing the food shopping. This change has caused some anxiety in those who are still shielding or who fall into the vulnerable category. For them, the real possibility of being infected means that they are still having to remain at home, whilst maybe envying others who have more freedom. Allowing single people to join a bubble has been wonderful for many, but has also meant that some people have had to choose which of their children to see, again causing discord amongst families. It is not easy!

As of the 24th June we have made the decision to re-open the church for private prayer on a Wednesday and a Saturday between 10-12. Please do feel free to come in as we have put in place procedures to ensure that it is safe to do so.

Gates and the church door will be open, hand sanitiser will be available on entry and you will be directed to a pew that has not been occupied for at least 72 hours previously. Unfortunately, the toilet will not be available to use and only the main body of the church will be accessible. We will have a prayer tree in place if you wish to write a prayer and there will be the opportunity to light a candle if you wish to.

We are still waiting to hear when we may be able to gather again for worship, but in the meantime do feel free to join us for our zoom worship on a Sunday at 10 am. Some people will be zoomed out during the week with work calls so may not feel able to join in so, I would encourage you to find an alternative source of spiritual encouragement. There are many online services that are pre-recorded that you could watch whenever you like, including our own Bishops whose video sermons are available every week. <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/resources/clergy/sunday-sermons>

Or I would recommend downloading the Lection 365 app <https://www.cwr.org.uk/lectio365> which I have found especially helpful during this challenging period of time.

Whatever option you choose to sustain your faith, know that God has not abandoned us but is watching over us and providing each of us with the strength to manage whatever we are faced with one day at a time. And if you have found yourself asking questions about God during this time and would like to have a conversation then please do give me a call.

With my love and prayers, Fi x

*****STOP PRESS*****

Since writing this - the Government has announced that churches can re-open for worship from the 4th July. Whilst this is excellent news we will not be rushing into anything as there is a huge amount to consider before we can be sure we can do this safely. The Standing Committee is meeting on 2nd July and the PCC on 23rd July so we hope to be able to announce something after those meetings. Fi x

Morning Worship every Sunday at 10 am

Join us on Zoom for our Service Sunday



Open to all—please contact Fi (revfigwynn@gmail.com) if you would like to be sent an email invitation

The sermon and prayers will be posted on the website for you each week allsaintsgrayswood.org

Church open for private prayer

Wednesdays and Saturdays ~ from 10 –12 noon

Contact: 07769 856343 or allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com Next deadline: 15th July





GRAYSWOOD CLUB QUIZ NIGHT



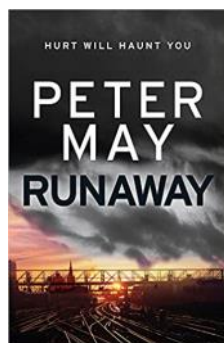
Grayswood Club continues to have a quiz on the last Thursday of each month.

Please email awheeler100@gmail.com if you would like a copy sent to you. The answers are sent out on the following Sunday.

Thanks Angela

GRAYSWOOD BOOK CLUB

We will be holding a Zoom session to discuss "Runaway" by Peter May on Tuesday, 21st July at 8.00pm.



Please contact Angela on awheeler100@gmail.com if you would like to join in.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed new lighting design - faculty approval sought

Following a generous local grant and donations, and several year' planning, we have been able to submit a faculty to install new lighting in All Saints Church. We hope that the new lighting design (and wiring) will highlight architectural features, enable different lighting effects in zoned areas which will enhance worship and reduce running and maintenance costs.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that we are applying to the Consistory Court of the diocese for permission to carry out the following:

To introduce a new lighting design and new wiring into the church. This will highlight architectural features, enable different lighting effects in zoned areas which will enhance worship and reduce running and maintenance costs.

Further information can be found on the church website: allsaintsgrayswood.org.uk or contact Judy Culhane 644125

If you wish to object to any of the works or proposals you should send a letter or email stating the grounds of your objection to The Diocesan Registrar at:

The Bishop of Guildford's Registry,
1 The Sanctuary, Westminster, LONDON SW1P 3JT

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At the latter end of November or the beginning of December ____, two men, said to be Frenchmen, died in Long Acre, London. The given cause of death was vague. A cover-up was suspected. Then the weekly Parish mortality bills started to soar....

Sound familiar?

In Daniel Defoe's '**A Journal of the Plague Year, written by a citizen who continued all the while in London**' many more uncanny parallels with today's pandemic can be found.

It's an intriguing read and it's free on Kindle!

Pippa Williams

FACE MASKS

Trish Bell is making 2-ply, non-surgical masks and is happy to make them for anyone who feels the need to wear one in confined spaces. She has already made a huge quantity for the Primary Care who are distributing them to GP surgeries and pharmacies.

Call Trish on 654418. No charge but a small voluntary donation to All Saints would be appreciated.

Grayswood Women's Institute

Save the date for our
July virtual meeting!



DATE: Wed 8th July

TIME: 7:45pm

We are delighted that our village W.I. has still been running throughout lockdown with virtual Zoom meetings (which can also be accessed by telephone).

CONTACT:

grayswoodwi@gmail.com

Contact us for more info on our July meeting or find us on Facebook. Guests welcome for a small fee. New WI memberships available.

Since lockdown began back in March the nursery community has been very busy despite mostly being at home. Until 1 June we met regularly together 'virtually' and the children are able to chat with each other and the staff, sharing ideas of things to do at home and simply spending some time in each others company. Through our social media channels we have shared ideas for capturing learning through so many different fun activities. Towards the beginning of 'lockdown' we spent time exploring shadows with all the science and maths which comes with it and then mixing colours to create pictures for our elderly friends at a nursing home which we usually visit each week.



GRAYSWOOD
Nursery and Forest School



Some children continued to attend nursery as they met a particular criteria and together we spent our time in the woods working hard on our new fence, creating a growing area, planting a variety of seeds, caring for our orchard, watching spring move into the woodland and generally enjoying nature. From 1

June we welcomed back the majority of the nursery and we will continue to spend all our time in the woodland as we know the risks associated with COVID-19 are significantly reduced when outdoors. There is always plenty of work to do in the field and woods.



If you'd like to follow our progress we have an Instagram page - @grayswoodnursery or facebook Grayswood Nursery and Forest School or twitter feed @GrayswdNursery

We are so incredibly lucky to be in such a beautiful environment and the weather has been particularly kind. It was lovely to see all the bunting after the VE Day celebrations – how cheerful Grayswood looked. We are grateful for the understanding and patience of Grayswood residents as we continue to move our children to and from the woods at the end of Muddy Lane. Our time outdoors is helping our children and staff spend time together safely which is so very important. We hope you have all kept well and look forward to seeing everyone again soon.

GRAYSWOOD VILLAGE HALL WANTS YOUR VIEWS...

How can Grayswood Village Hall better support our community?

The Village Hall has long been part of the Grayswood community, a home for clubs from the WI, Bridge and the Cricket Club, to name a few. At this difficult time of the COVID-19 pandemic, we would like to hear your views on the best ways we can support our community, now and in the future.

The committee would greatly appreciate you taking time to respond to our survey and help us shape our offering to the community as we re-open.

Please respond to the survey questions below by email, in writing or complete the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VS9BWZW>.

The survey questions are:

- 1) Which Grayswood facilities in the village have you used in the past 12 months?*
- 2) What activities/services could the Grayswood Village Hall provide in the future that you would support?*
- 3) How can the Grayswood Village Hall better support our community in these changing times?*

Please email survey responses to grayswoodvh@outlook.com or send letters to Grayswood Village Hall, Grayswood, Haslemere, Surrey, GU27 2DJ All responses will be treated confidentially and in line with GDPR guidance. If replying in writing please do so anonymously.

The Grayswood Village Hall remains closed until further notice due to Government Guidelines, however we are taking bookings for 2021, please visit our website for more details www.grayswood.org.uk or contact grayswoodvh@outlook.com.



CHURCH SERVICES

All Saints Grayswood is still closed for public worship

**Morning Worship every
Sunday at 10 am**



Join us on **Zoom** for our Service on Sundays
Open to all - please request an invitation from
Fi (revfigwynn@gmail.com)

VILLAGE PRAYER

In July, we pray for those who live and
work in Prestwick Lane, Paddock Way,
Muddy Lane and
Clammer Hill Road.

**WAYS TO CONTACT THE CHURCH WHEN THE
BUILDINGS ARE CLOSED****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, 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 to speak with a priest?

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

Tel 01428 654728 / 07769 856343

Email: revfigwynn@gmail.com

Baptism? Wedding? Funeral?

Please contact the church office on 07769 856343 or email
allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com in the first instance.

Do you have a general enquiry?

You can still contact our church administrator Sarah Bennett
by email allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

For more information, please visit our website:

allsaintsgrayswood.org



Coco Carmel is opening their brand new
salon (next door to their existing one)
on Monday 6th July.

Please check the website or facebook page
for details <https://cococarmel.co.uk/>

THE WHEATSHEAF

REOPENING - SATURDAY 4TH JULY

lunches, dinners and Sunday roasts

01428 644440

Bookings would be much
appreciated in these uncertain
times and enable us not to over
order ~ hopefully with your backing
your village pub will survive.

Ken Martin

**HASLEMERE FOOD BANK**

The Haslemere Food Bank continues to operate thanks
to generous donations. Please donate items directly to
Tesco and Waitrose collection points or the Methodist
Church (between 9am and 12.00 on Wednesday and
Friday) if you shop by other means.

You have been marvellous in your support during a
time when everyone is under enormous stress and
anxiety, THANK YOU

Please remember that all of us can need support at
some time or another especially in the present
circumstances, IF YOU, or ANYONE YOU KNOW is in
need during this time please do not hesitate to obtain a
voucher for the Food Bank.

Please speak in confidence to Rev Fi Gwynn if you or a
family you know are in need on 07769 856343.

All good wishes from the Haslemere Food Bank, stay
safe stay fed!

**DONATIONS
OF**

**NON-PERISHABLE GOODS URGENTLY
NEEDED DURING LOCK DOWN**

Tinned meat

Tinned vegetables (not pulses, particularly
carrots, green beans and sweetcorn)

Pasta sauce

Long life milk

Tinned spaghetti, macaroni/
ravioli

Couscous

Custard

Oats

Coffee, Tea

Toothpaste & Shampoo

We do **not** need baked beans
or tomato soup
at the moment thank you

