

# August 2020

# Dear all,

Well, holiday season is upon us, but I suspect that for most people it will look very different this year. I know some intrepid travelers are still venturing abroad but for most people, including me, holidays will be in the UK for now. Ironically, Pete and I had originally planned to go to Scotland but we're not even going that far now!

As things begin to open up there is a difficult balance to keep. Some people are thrilled and see life as returning to normal, whereas others are more fearful of a second spike and are increasingly anxious about what they perceive as irresponsible behaviour from others. Never has the need for tolerance and patience been more needed.

There are shoots of hope and progress. The church has been open for daily prayer for a few weeks and on the 18<sup>th</sup> July I had the privilege of taking my first wedding since lockdown. It was a joyous occasion with only a handful of the guests they had originally hoped to attend, but the sun shone, the laughter rang out and more importantly they can now travel to Hong Kong so that they can start their new jobs!

And to that end I am delighted to be able to tell you that we will be opening the church again for Sunday services from the 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Sadly, numbers will be limited to 24 at 10 am service and to 10 for the 8am service, there will be no singing and we have had to put a booking system in place. (Full details on the church website or call 01428 654728 or 07769 856343 to book a place). We will aim to keep a couple of seats free each week for people that are unable to book. We will be continuing to Zoom the service so for those of you who are more comfortable at home then I would encourage you to continue doing so. Again, full details of login will be found on the church website allsaintsgrayswood.org

It will seem very strange at first, and I am sure we will have to adjust along the way, but it is most definitely a step in the right direction.

Whether you are staycationing or jetting off somewhere, may you find some time to relax and recharge.

With my love and prayers, Fix

# Gathered Worship every Sunday at 10 am

Join us on zoom



See back page for meeting details

There will be limited spaces in Church from 2nd August - please book online at

**allsaintsgrayswood.org** or call 07769 856343

# 8 am Holy Communion Services in Church

9th & 23rd August

# 10 am Services in Church and on zoom

2nd - Parish Communion 9th - Morning Worship

16th - Parish Communion 23rd - Morning Worship

30th—United Benefice service—
see website

Children: There will be Sunday School so for activities for younger congregation members, please take a look at our <u>Children at</u> Home page on the website

# **Private Prayer**

Church opening times in August Wednesdays from 10 –12 noon



# GRAYSWOOD CLUB

QUIZ NIGHT .... is taking a break in August

**BACK IN SEPTEMBER** 

# GRAYSWOOD BOOK CLUB

We will be holding a Zoom session to discuss



"Silence of the Girls" by Pat Barker on Tues, 18th August at 8.00pm. Please contact Angela

on awheeler100@gmail.com



The 2020 Y6 at Grayswood School had a wonderful final week despite the challenges of the pandemic—with a day of PE, a day in pyjamas with a film,

popcorn and pizzas, a visit from Dylan's ice cream van and a pre-recorded 'Oscars' prize giving... before a sing-along walk around Grayswood.

The usual Leaver's Service at All Saints was held just for children in the sunshine in the garden of Grayswood House. Following prayer space activities, the children were presented by Rev Fi Gwynn with bibles kindly donated by members of the church congregation. As a year group, they missed out on several things, including a service at Guildford Cathedral, so it was wonderful for them to take part in a unique and memorable event.

Thank you to everyone involved in celebrating the end of primary school for these children.

Ailsa Guidi





# THROUGH FAITH MISSIONS

Through Faith Missions, this quarters' organisation being supported by All Saints, is a



Christian charity existing to help churches as they reach out to their local communities with the good news, "the Gospel", of Jesus Christ. We serve in partnership with local churches in areas of any size from the small local village church to larger groups of churches wherever they might be. This includes Uganda and Kenya but nearly all of it is in the UK.

We have stayed connected during lockdown and have recently completed a mission to some 12 churches in the Fens practically all of which was carried out by Zoom.

I have been involved with Through Faith
Missions as a member of the small staff team
for nearly 30 years now. David Culhane

If you wish to make a donation, please place your giving in an envelope in the porch clearly marked with Through Faith Mission and the PCC will forward the funds.



# Save the date for our August virtual meeting!

**DATE**: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August **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).

Our August meeting welcomes Wendy Paton, Founder of London Bushcraft, who will be giving us a fascinating talk and presentation on wild foraging... perfect for this time in the season!

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

grayswoodwi@gmail.com

Guests welcome for a small fee. New WI memberships available.

Next deadline: 15th August

Find us on Facebook
@GrayswoodWomensInstitute



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Dear Residents of Grayswood,

I hope you are keeping safe and well in these unusual times. As we prepare for the children to return to full on-site education from September, we wanted to let residents know that we have had to make some adjustments to the school day to accommodate government quidelines.

Amongst these changes include staggering our start and finish times to run from 8.30 to 9.00am and 3.00 to 3.30pm and temporarily pausing our 'kiss and drop' service. This means more parents will need to park and walk their children to the gate and some will have to wait for siblings to come out at a different time.

We appreciate this will have an impact on parking in the area and ask for your support and forbearance as we adjust to these temporary measures. We will of course keep matters under review and reassess if we don't feel the new system is working. Thank you Miss H Cole Head of School

### 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





Coco Carmel is OPEN

Call 01428 642821 to book an appointment

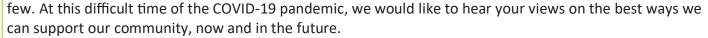
Please check the website or facebook page for details https://cococarmel.co.uk/

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### GRAYSWOOD VILLAGE HALL STILL WANTS YOUR VIEWS

How can Grayswood Village Hall better support our community? There is still time to contribute to our survey!

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



The committee thanks everyone who has kindly taken the time so far to reply to this survey. There is still time to contribute, 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 <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/T28CX75">https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/T28CX75</a>.

# 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 <a href="mailto:grayswoodvh@outlook.com">grayswoodvh@outlook.com</a> 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. For opening updates please check our facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/GrayswoodVillageHall/">https://www.facebook.com/GrayswoodVillageHall/</a>. Visit our website for full hire details <a href="www.grayswood.org.uk">www.grayswood.org.uk</a>, or contact <a href="mailto:grayswoodvh@outlook.com">grayswoodvh@outlook.com</a>.



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# CHURCH SERVICES IN AUGUST 8 am Holy Communion Services in Church 9th & 23rd August

#### 10 am Services in Church and on zoom

2nd - Parish Communion 9th - Morning Worship 16th - Parish Communion

23rd - Morning Worship

30th—United Benefice service—see website

#### 2nd August

Meeting ID: 880 3192 0554

Passcode: 227958

0203 481 5237 United Kingdom

#### 9th August

Meeting ID: 863 0153 8349

Passcode: 627853

0203 481 5237 United Kingdom

#### 16th August

Meeting ID: 840 4949 8313

Passcode: 714746

0203 481 5237 United Kingdom

#### 23rd August

Meeting ID: 811 8392 1934

Passcode: 657550

0203 481 5237 United Kingdom

If you are calling in to zoom - dial the number for the relevant service. You will be asked to enter the meeting ID followed by the # key. You will be asked to enter the passcode followed by the # key. They will then tell you that you have joined the meeting and are on mute. Please do not unmute yourself unless necessary as this can distort the reception for everyone else. If you do need to unmute you press \*6. Please note that unless you have inclusive calls then the calls will be charged at your usual standard rate - which would be for approximately 40 minutes.

# WAYS TO CONTACT THE CHURCH 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

## **VILLAGE PRAYER**

In August, we pray for those who live and work in Holdfast Lane, Three Gates Lane and Highercombe Road

# HASLEMERE FOOD BANK

The Haslemere Food Bank continues to operate thanks to generous donations.

Grayswood **food bank box** will now be placed in the porch on Wednesdays and Saturdays when the church is open for private prayer (10am – 12 noon).

THANK YOU for your support

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

Items URGENTLY needed during lockdown: (Large packets, bags and jars are very generous but difficult to fit into food packs.)

- Baked beans
- Tinned custard, rice pudding
- Tinned fruit
- Jam/marmalade
- Modest jars of coffee
- 40 or 80 packs of tea bags
- Oats
- Couscous
- Bath soap
- Toothpaste

THANK YOU

