





Dear All

I don't know about you, but it only seems like 5 minutes ago I was writing about Easter and yet at the end of this month we begin the Advent season!

As the world keeps turning, and we continue to try and make sense of what is happening around us, the opportunity to pause and take stock is more important than ever.

It can be very difficult to stop what we are doing, to just pause and reset, but that is exactly what Advent should be about. I am going on retreat for 5 days at the end of this month and will then be joining Elaine for our Advent Quiet Morning on Saturday 27th November.

I would encourage you to join us if you can, even if you haven't done anything like this before. To take some time to be still, to enjoy the peace and to share in a time of expectation together.

If you are unable to make that day, or are looking for inspiration to make time for yourself I would like to recommend the following:

Brian Draper - www.briandraper.org As well as having information on his website, he hosts a half hour reflection on a Friday afternoon at 4.30 pm.

Going to ground – YouTube – Andrew Rumsey – Andrew is a Bishop, but don't let that put you off, who records his musings as he walks through the woods and countryside around him. Most are only 3-4 minutes long but are a good way to pause in a busy day.

I hope that whatever you are doing this month that you find some space just for yourself.

Much love, Fi x

Church Services

8am Holy Communion:

2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays

10 am Services:

In Church and on zoom every Sunday all welcome no booking required

Services will continue on zoom. For details of how to join see our website or see the back page

allsaintsgrayswood.org

Church Open

Every day from 9.30 to 4 (ish)

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

The Treasures of Advent

Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. Luke 2:19
Parish Quiet Time on Saturday 27 November from 9.45 for 10am -2pm
at All Saints Church Grayswood

Advent is such a busy and hectic time, a quiet space on the eve of Advent for us to be present with God, is an opportunity to ponder upon the treasures of this season. The time will open and close with a short act of worship and there will be ample time for quiet and the space to be. Tea/coffee will be provided throughout the time, and you may like to bring a snack for lunchtime.

Book online via the website: allsaintsgrayswood.org

For more info, contact Revd Elaine Collins 714385 or revelainecollins@icloud.com



Next deadline: 15th November

Contact: 07769 856343 or allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

Oh when the sun ... comes shining in ...

A milestone on the pathway back to normality was reached in October when The Eagle Jazz Band returned after a long absence, to entertain us again with their happy New Orleans Style Traditional Jazz. Originally scheduled to play in March 2020 and delayed by the covid pandemic, this six-piece band came from various parts of England and Wales to share our fish and chip supper and then perform some lively "Welcome Back" music. Grayswood Village Hall was set up as a café/bar, doing a steady trade in drinks throughout the evening, with many open windows to provide ventilation.

The band were deluged with requests in the interval and spent the second half playing these, including the famous clarinet piece "Petite Fleur" and "Bring me Sunshine", ending with a rousing version of "When the Saints Go Marching in", introduced with prominent drums and accompanied by a singing audience.

Everyone went home smiling and The Friends Treasurer was happy too he is still counting, but it seems that the profit was about £800, which will go towards All Saints Church projects.

Allen Chubb



What Matters Most (Now)?

An Evening of Soulful Reflection with Brian Draper

The pandemic wrought sudden, dramatic disruption to 'life as normal', and has touched all of us, in so many different ways. But with restrictions now lifted in the UK, should we rush straight back in to 'busyness as usual', as if nothing really happened to our souls?

Didn't we sense, in those uniquely challenging times, an invitation, too - that life could be different, somehow, afterwe came through this? That we could emerge with a richer perspective on how we can live, and work, and rest, and play?

In a gently evocative and contemplative evening, the author, speaker and retreat leader Brian Draper will help us to reflect personally upon some of the riches we might otherwise miss what we've learned, what we've lost, what we've loved... and to ask 'What matters most to us, now?' as we step into the days ahead with some clarity, purpose and creative hope.

Hosted by St Mary's Church Chiddingfold free of charge



Remembrance Sunday Service

Sunday 14th November at 10.50 am followed by a wreath laying at the War Memorial.

> All Saints Church has a webpage dedicated to all those from Grayswood who served in both the Great War and World War Two:

allsaintsgrayswood.org/history/those-who-served

If you can contribute any further information or photos please email Sarah at allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

Christmas Fayre

Save the date - 4th December If the Christmas Fayre can go ahead this year, it will be held on 4th December. Further announcements nearer the time.

Coffee and Chat

will be restarting in January! 2nd Wednesday of the month 12th Jan, 9th Feb, 9th March Longer opening to allow for more coffee and cake consumption!! 10-12 at the Club.

Come and enjoy a bit of normality!



Sat 27th November 3 to 5pm at Grayswood CofE Primary School

Come and enjoy some traditional stalls and browse through the Top Up Your Christmas Shopping area, figgy puddings, jewellery and more...



Get ready for a sparkly afternoon of festive fun.







Time to Be...in the presence of God

A quiet hour where we can pray with scripture and pray for others

3rd Wednesday of the month @7pm

20 October.

17th November and 15 December.

Zoom code: 844 4083 8929

Passcode: TimetoBe

Please do email Revd Elaine Collins for more information and/or to go on the mailing list for this ongoing event - revelainecollins@icloud.com

Everyone welcome

Cakes and More

When? Sat 6th November, 10.30 - 12 noon

Where? The Village Club

What? Cakes, produce, paperback books

Come and join us! Contactless preferred

For more info or to make a cake/book donation, contact: Di 654303/07769871720 or

drdcook01@gmail.com



Cards for Good Causes

When? Thurs 21st October to

Tues 14th December

Where? Haslemere Museum

78 High Street, Haslemere, GU27 2LA

Time? Monday - Saturday 10am - 4.30pm

01428 642112 Contact:

Back again at Haslemere Museum, Cards for Good Causes is a multi-charity Christmas card shop selling cards (many with a religious theme) on behalf of a wide range of national and local charities including the Alzheimer's Society, British Heart Foundation, Help for Heroes, RNLI and

Shelter.

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.

Grayswood Village Club

Village Coffee Morning

Saturday 6th Nov from 10 am to 12 noon Drop in for tea/coffee and homemade cakes

Knockout Skittles

Friday, 12th November from 7.30 pm Teams of 4 ...come as a team or join one on the night.

Kiddies' Film Club

Sunday, 21st November at 3.00 pm - tickets £3 to include crisps and a soft drink. Details of the film on grayswoodclub.co.uk

Quiz night

Thursday 25th November from 7:45pm New website: www.grayswoodclub.co.uk Members only but it's easy to join: call 07808 474147

Grayswood Book Club

Those who have loved by Victoria Hislop on Tues, 16th November at 8 pm Contact Angela: awheeler 100@gmail.com





GRAYSWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Join us for our November WI meeting our AGM, followed by a delicious festive supper and celebratory drinks

DATE: Wednesday 10th November

TIME: 7:45pm

WHERE: Grayswood Village Hall

November is our AGM - an opportunity to share successes of the last year, vote in a new president and committee members, plus enjoy some festive foodie treats and a catch-up with friends afterwards.to join us!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

EMAIL: grayswoodwi@gmail.com **WEBSITE:** grayswoodwi.wixsite.com/home FACEBOOK: @grayswoodwomensinstitute





Church Services for November

Church open for all 8 am and 10 am Services

Nov 7th **10 am Parish Communion**

Meeting ID: 878 8033 7517

Passcode: 623476

Nov 14th 8 am Holy Communion in Church

10.50 am Remembrance Sunday

Meeting ID: 899 1130 2280

Passcode: 813563

Nov 21st 10 am Parish Communion

Meeting ID: 872 5166 2772

Passcode: 474443

Nov 28th 8 am Holy Communion in Church

10 am Advent Communion

Meeting ID: 834 8161 6394

Passcode: 877474

For all services please dial 0131 460 1196 UK

Enter the meeting ID followed by the # key. Then enter the passcode followed by the # key. You will be connected to the meeting and be 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 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 (day off Friday)

Tel 01428 654728 / 07769 856343

Email: revfigwynn@gmail.com

Revd Elaine Collins is available Mon and Weds

mornings and all day Friday.

Tel 01428 714385

Email: revelainecollins@icloud.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?

Contact our church administrator Sarah Bennett by email allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

For more information, please visit our website:

allsaintsgrayswood.org

VILLAGE PRAYER

In November, we pray for those who live and work in Grayswood Road and Haslemere road



Haslemere Food Bank

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

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 youcher for the Food Bank from

Rev Fi Gwynn on 07769 856343.

Tuesday Trolley Collection 9.30-11.30 at Grayswood Village Hall or Wednesdays Church Porch when the church is open for private prayer (10 am – 12 noon).

Donations Needed Please

Thank you for all your generous harvest donations

- Tinned fish
- * Tinned fruit
- Dried pasta and spaghetti
- * Tinned tomatoes
- * Toiletries: shampoo

Please donate small packets which are easier to fit into the food packs **Thank you**