

May 2024



Dear All

Time is a weird thing. Sometimes it goes slowly, like when you're a child and Christmas and birthdays always seem to take forever to arrive. Then as you get older the years seem to whizz past you. January goes on forever and then suddenly we're in May!

I do hope that you will be able to come down to the village hall on the 11 th and support our Spring Fayre. It's one of our main fundraising events of the year (along with the Christmas one) and is crucial to keeping the church finances healthy, as like most other charities we are feeling the pinch too.

Our congregation give regularly, and the Friends of All Saints do an amazing job of fundraising to support buildings and grounds projects, but the cost of running a church isn't cheap. We also make sure that we support local, national, and international charities too.

The bacon butties are always delicious, and you can sit and enjoy your hot drink whilst catching up with friends in the village. There will be a selection of stalls, including the cake stall, and raffle tickets will be available – with a first prize of a 2-course meal for 2 people plus a bottle of wine at The Wheatsheaf!

There is always a lovely atmosphere so do join us if you can.

With my love,

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Church Services

8 am Services 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays 10 am Sunday Services:

In Church| On zoom Every Sunday allsaintsgrayswood.org

Morning Prayer

Weds-9-9.30

Mid-week top up? Join us for a short service from the Northumbria Community with a time of reflection and prayers for our community and the wider world Wednesdays 9-9.30 in the North Transept.

Church Open Every day: 9.30 to 4 (ish)



Baby & Toddler Group

Wednesdays

9-11 am

During term time in the Village Hall £3 per family I

includes drink and snacks for children and tea/coffee and cake for accompanying adults. Lovely sociable group



Saturday May 11th

COME AND ENJOY OU







11 am—1.30 pm with bacon butties from 11.30 am

Grayswood Village Hall Entrance £1 (inc hot drink/

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Stalls to include: Raffle, Cakes, Beauty and the Beads, Bottle Tombola, Brocante, Kitchenalia, Plants, Books and more!

A-Z Flowers in Grayswood

We are blessed to live in a beautiful part of the world with so many wild flowers growing around Grayswood. Isabelle

- A Ajuga (Bugle)
- 🗞 Buttercup / Bluebell
- 🕼 Celandine
- 🖯 Daisy / Dandelion
- E Euphorbia (Wood Surge)
- F Foxglove
- タ Gorse
- 🕂 Honeysuckle
- 📕 Ivy
- 🤈 Jack-by-the-hedge
- K Kingcup
- L Lords and Ladies
- 🖞 Mayweed/ Mayflower
- N Nettle
- 🗘 Orchid
- P Primrose
- Q Queen Anne's Lace
- Ҝ Rose / Ragged Robin
- 🗲 Snowdrop
- 🕇 Teasel
- M Unidentified umbelliferous !
- V Violet
- W Windflower (Wood anemone)
- X-rated Japanese Knotweed
- 🐕 Yarrow

Zat's all!

Volunteer Stewards Needed



CROSSWAYS Counselling Service is short of volunteers to act as stewards on

MONDAY Evenings 5.30-8.30 pm WEDNESDAY Evenings 4.30-7.30 pm WEDNESDAY Mornings 9am—noon

This would be a once-a-month commitment based at 3 Counties Church, Hammer . If you are able to help, please contact Jenny Noble our volunteers co-ordinator jennynobleuk@aol.com

Crossways provides a professional counselling service in Haslemere and the surrounding area for individuals, couples and young people aged 11-18, who otherwise would not be able to afford private counselling sessions. We have a team of 10 counsellors who have either a degree or MA in counselling and abide by the Code of Ethics of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy. They are all Christians and work under regular supervision.

All Saints supports Crossways as one of its Quarterly Charities

Sponsored Cycle Ride

Greg Bleach (General Manager of Skillway) and his daughter Jess, are taking on the 'London 100' - a 100 mile cycle challenge on May 26th 2024 to raise funds for Skillway Workshops.

If you would like to sponsor them, please visit www.gofundme.com/f/greg-jess-take-on-ride-london-100-forskillway

Skillway is a charity based in Godalming, offering practically based opportunities to children who find it difficult to work successfully in a traditional school environment. For more information please speak to Greg Bleach, 643140 or visit skillway.org.uk

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Dementia Action Week: 13th - 19th May 2024

THE HUNTER CENTRE Supporting those living with DEMENTIA

SKILLWAY

Events run by The Hunter Centre-www.thehuntercentre.co.uk

Monday 13 th May – Dementia Bus, Haslemere High Street Carpark. 10am – 4.30pm This is a simulator that gives a brief insight into what a person with a diagnosis of dementia may experience. Lasts approx. 10 minutes. **Tuesday 14 th May** – Carers information day. Marjorie Gray Hall, Grayswood Road. 12.30 – 3.30

There will be a selection of organisations who are able to offer advice and support for carers including: Admiral Nurses, Care UK, Waverley Hoppa, Citizen's advice, Social prescribers, Action for Carers, Local solicitor from Potter Owtram & Peck, With refreshments

Wednesday 15 th May – The Hunter Centre Open Evening Marjorie Gray Hall, Grayswood Road, 7pm Brief update from the Chairman, Mrs Anne Downing with Guest speaker, Mrs Jackie Jones from Stroke Association. With refreshments.

Fancy an evening out on Sat 20th July?

Prior to 2000, The Grayswood Christmas Party Fund ran for many years to raise funds for the children of Grayswood to either come to a party in the village hall or attend a pantomime.

A group of us are organising a pantomime themed evening in the spirit of the last fundraising parties held in the late 90's to include a 2 course meal, period disco, raffle and bar for £20 a head, pantomime fancy dress optional.

Limited tickets available so first come, first served. Please contact Daphne on: Daphne@thebleachs.com



Save the Date

Jazz Concert with the Eagle Jazz Band

Saturday 12th October at the Village Hall Organised by the Friends of All Saints Grayswood



GRAYSWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

1920 - 2024

We'd love to see you in May

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Grayswood to Brook Walk

Join us for a relaxing evening amble as WI member, Carol F, guides our country walk to (& refreshments at!) The Dog & Pheasant pub in Brook. DATE: Wednesday 8th May TIME: 7:45/8 pm MEET: The Village Hall

UPCOMING MEETINGS

JUNE

Scone Bake Off & Jam tasting Tuck in to, test & score some

delicious scones & jams.

Stained Glass

Local stained glass artist Rachel Mulligan is our guest speaker.

Our new membership year has started... join us! Membership is £48 for the year (to the end of March 2025) This includes all meetings and sub-groups.

SAY HELLO

Find out more about us & our plans for 2024 EMAIL: grayswoodwi@gmail.com FACEBOOK: @grayswoodwomensinstitute



Grayswood Village Club

Coffee and Chat

with homemade cakes Wednesday 8th May at 10 - 12 noon

Eurovision Night

bar open $\,$ - Eurovision Night on the big screen

Sat 11th May

Quiz Night

Thursday 30th May at 7.30 for 7.45 pm Come as a team or join one on the night

*** Summer Opening Hours ***

Friday evenings (7 – 11 pm) and Sunday afternoons (from 12 noon)

Members only Club, but it's easy to join : Call 07808 474147

Visit www.grayswoodclub.co.uk The Club can also be booked for parties and family celebrations and by local clubs/ individuals for regular daytime use.

For bookings contact: awheeler 100@gmail.com

Grayswood Book Club

Join us each month (3rd Tues of each month) for our wonderful book club! We next meet on Tues 21st May



from 8–9 pm to chat about our chosen book The Marriage Portrait by Maggie O'Farrell

Contact Angela: awheeler 100@gmail.com

Donations Wanted!

Spring Fayre 11th May

As usual, spring is time to clear out all of those cupboards for our stalls:

Books, DVDS, jewellery, scarves, toys, unwanted gifts, china, glass, kitchen items, gardenalia and - of course - any spare plants, bulbs, showings that you have when we all manage to get out into our gardens and cakes nearer the time.

Thank you all as ever for your support.

Di Cook drdcook01@gmail.com or 07769 971720

Church Services in May

- May 5th 10 am* Parish Communion
- May 12th8 amHoly Communion10 am*Morning Worship
- $May\,19th\quad 10\,am^*\quad Parish\,Communion$
- May 26th8 amHoly Communion10 am*4th Sunday Service

Join us on Zoom — Sunday Services (in bold) are set as a recurring meeting on zoom—just go to: join.zoom.us



Meeting ID: 325 676 8563 | Passcode: 2024 Topic: All Saints Sunday Service | Time: 10 am Or for "dial in" call +44 203 481 5237 .

Enter the meeting ID followed by the # key. Then the passcode followed by the # key. You'll 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, press *6. Calls will be charged at your usual standard rate - for approx. 40 mins.

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 (01428 656504 on Mon and Thurs am) or email allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com.

Do you have a general enquiry?

Email our church administrator Sarah Bennett on allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com For more information, please visit our website:

allsaintsgrayswood.org

VILLAGE PRAYER

In May, we pray for those who live and work in Grayswood Road including Lower and Upper Birtley, Witley Farm, Shoelands, South Park, Stroud, Hurt Hill and High Button.



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 voucher for the Food Bank from

Rev Fi Gwynn on 07769 856343

Please leave donations in the box in All Saints Church or deliver directly to the Haslemere Methodist church (opposite the Esso garage) on a Wednesday or Friday between 10-12.



Donations Needed Please

Thanks to your generous donations, we had sufficient supplies to ensure all our clients had food parcels For Easter but I'm afraid we need help re-stock our shelves once more. The following items are urgently needed:

- * UHT Milk / Coffee / Tea
- Tinned meat
- Tinned fruit / Custard / Rice Pudding
- * Jam / marmalade
- * Oats
- Shampoo / Toothpaste
- Tinned tomatoes / Baked beans
- * Couscous / Noodles

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