



Spring is finally here (at least that's what I'm hoping as I write this!)

Whilst I would say autumn is my favourite season there is something hopeful about spring. The days start to get longer, the daffodils and tulips start to bloom and the Grayswood lambs are bringing a smile to everyone's face.

It's a positive time of year, when there is much to look forward to. And as you will see from this edition there is lots to look forward to.

Ash Wednesday (5th March) is the start of Lent and this year we are moving our Wednesday night Lent Group to the village club, where we will be looking at different ways of praying. Each week is a standalone hour, so you can dip in or out, depending on what piques your interest. If you've never been before I hope that the fact that we are meeting in the club makes it easier for you to join us.

I'm also leading a **pilgrimage walk** around the village with Jon Taylor, sharing God and nature, as part of our Lent programme so if that's something that interests you do sign up for that on **15th March** (ask me for details).

And **Mothering Sunday** is on the **30th March** this year so why not join us in the Village Hall for a special service to celebrate all those who have mothered us. (Hint: they may not be female). Coffee and pastries and a relaxed service with craft activities for the children should be a good way to start the day.

With love,

Fi x

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)

LENT 2025

Pray without ceasing...?!!

Lent - an invitation to explore the depth and breadth that prayer can be.

Weekly Lenten Hours

Dates 12th, 19th, 26th March
2nd, 9th April
7-8pm in Grayswood Village Club

Plus Village Pilgrimage

Saturday 15th March @ 2pm
led by Jon Taylor and Fi Gwynn

Everyone is welcome to join us and if you are unable to attend all of our Lenten Hours - do come along as you can.

For more info chat with Fi or Elaine.



Teachers and parents at Grayswood School have been leading conversations around safety and traffic in our village.

Please keep your eyes peeled for the new mascot that will champion careful and considerate driving through the village in next month's Runner—as well as on school media and in the village itself



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





Sunflower Ruby Sunset



Titan

Sunflower Challenge

I'm sure we are all looking forward to seeing our gardens coming back to life after the winter months. It would be great to fill the village with the familiar yellow blooms of sunflowers this summer. Sunflowers are fun and easy to grow for adults and children! There will be a challenge of growing the giant variety with the tallest or largest flower head. Seeds for growing the giant variety will be supplied (or purchase your own such as 'Russian Giant' or 'Titan') and can be collected from the church at the beginning of the **Easter holiday, 13th April**, with information on how to grow and care for your sunflower.

Flowers entered into the challenge will be judged at the end of September and announced at the **Harvest festival 5th October**. If you do not want to participate in the challenge but would like to grow sunflowers there is a colourful array of varieties to choose from such as the dwarf varieties which have branching stems. They look great in borders or containers and are good for pollinators too. Varieties include 'Sunbelievable, brown eyed girl,' 'Waooh' and 'Ruby sunset.'

Sunflowers love full sun and will grow in any soil as long as it's well drained. A cane for support will help the taller varieties on a single stem stay upright.



Sunflower Waooh



Sunflower Sunbelievable

Haslemere Table Tennis Club

Meets Thursdays

At Grayswood Village Hall

From 7.30 to 10.00pm



We are a local volunteer run club with members of all ages and abilities - A friendly club where anyone can enjoy an evening of table tennis.

New members are welcome from absolute beginners to accomplished players.

Club nights can be for casual play, coaching or for competition depending on your preferences.

Some of our members are active players in the local Haslemere league and Guildford league.

During our match season many of our players will be occupied, but there are always plenty of tables available for others to use - so just drop in and have a game or two.

Tea / Coffee and biscuits are served halfway through the evening.

Why not continue 2025 with a game of Table Tennis and enjoy your first evening on us thereafter £5 / session (bats & balls provided)

Email: info@haslemeretabletennis.net

U3A Haslemere

Any GP will confirm the importance of us all keeping active in later life and indeed before then. That thinking is behind the concept of **U3A. Haslemere**.

U3A has over 750 members, many living in Grayswood, and more than 63 groups, with a great variety of activities. Run by local volunteers, the organisation exists to look after anyone not in full time work.

One of the newer groups, for example, is Desert Island Music Group (see photo), which meets monthly on a Monday morning at the Oonagh Jeffrey Room, Grayswood Village Hall. Each session involves someone presenting their choice of their favourite music, usually involving 20 to 30 tunes, with hot drinks and biscuits provided.

Another group is Cycling for Fun, which aims to ride twice a month, each time with a leisurely coffee stop in the middle, where about half the members use electric bikes to provide valuable assistance when climbing hills.

To join the fun, search "Haslemere U3A" online or visit haslemere.u3asite.uk/ Click on Groups so see the range of Groups and which have vacancies for new members.

Allen Chubb



ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

As with all churches, we need to produce a new Electoral Roll every 6 years. All Saints is due to be completed in April 2025 and ALL Church members need to register.

The Church's Electoral Roll is the register of its voting members—a list of those qualified to attend and vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and provides an indication of the real membership and strength of the church.

If you were on the old electoral roll and have given the church your email address, please check your inbox in the coming weeks and reply online. If you do not have access to email, please collect a form from the back of church.

If you would like to become a member of All Saints by joining our Electoral Roll, please collect a form from the back of church. Return the completed form via the post box in the Church porch.

Completed forms must be returned to Church Office (via the post box in the church porch) by the **30th March 2025**.

If you have any questions about form please approach Diana Ramsden, Electoral Roll Officer (07767 403070) who will be pleased to help you.

Grayswood Village Club

Coffee and Chat

With homemade cakes

Wednesday 12th March 10-12 noon

Bingo Night

Saturday 15th March, Club open 7pm

Quiz Night

Thursday 27th March from 7.45pm

Come as a team or join one on the night!

Members only Club but easy to join!

The Club can be booked for parties and family celebrations, and by local Clubs / individuals for regular daytime use

Contact: annette.sandom@gmail.com



Check out the website for details of other events and how to join



GRAYSWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

1920 - 2025

GUESTS ALWAYS WELCOME | NEW MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE

Join us in February... Practical first aid & defibs

DATE: Weds 12th March

TIME: 7:45/8pm

MEET: Village Hall

Local First Responder and Chair of Haslemere First Responders, Kevin Morris joins us as our Guest Speaker this month.

He will be talking to us about practical first aid, including using the village defib. This is in response to our members recently voting for the WI 2025 campaign resolution of "Bystanders can be lifesavers".

Upcoming meetings

APRIL 9TH

Informal, easy and enjoyable Easter crafts.

MAY 14TH

MS Society guest speaker on the very latest research and findings.

SAY HELLO & FIND OUT MORE

EMAIL: grayswoodwi@gmail.com

FACEBOOK: [@grayswoodwomensinstitute](https://www.facebook.com/grayswoodwomensinstitute)

WEBSITE: grayswoodwi.wixsite.com/home

Grayswood Book Club

Join us each month for our wonderful book club! We next meet on Tues 18th March from 8—9 pm to chat about our chosen book

The Girl Behind the Wall
by Mandy Robotham

Contact Angela:

awheeler100@gmail.com



You are invited to



Jesus said I am

The Way

With Bridget Callaghan

@welltheadedfood

Friday 7th March

7:45pm start

at 3CV, Linchmere Rd, Hammer, GU27 3QW
refreshments served

Church Services in March

Mar 2nd	10 am*	Parish Communion
<i>Mar 5th</i>	<i>7 pm</i>	<i>Ash Wednesday with Imposition of Ashes at St Barts</i>
Mar 9th	8 am	Holy Communion
	10 am*	Morning Worship
Mar 16th	10 am*	Parish Communion
Mar 23rd	8 am	Holy Communion
	10 am*	4th Sunday Service
Mar 30th	10am	Mothering Sunday In the Village Hall



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

NEW Meeting ID: 816 3187 4033 | Passcode: 2025

For “dial in” call +44 203 481 5237 . Enter the meeting ID followed by the # key. Then the passcode followed by the # key. You will be connected to the meeting and be on mute. If you need to unmute press *6 but please do not unmute unless necessary as this can distort the reception for everyone else. 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 in the postbox at church, 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 Fri)
Tel 01428 654728 / 07769 856343
Email: revfigwynn@gmail.com
Revd Elaine Collins works part-time (day off Tues)
Tel 07543 083178
Email: revelainecollins@icloud.com

Pastoral Team

Daphne Bleach - ring or message - 07950 785051
If you need support, someone to listen or a helping hand—whether you’re new to the village or a life-long resident—call our Pastoral Team

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 on allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com

For more information, please visit our website:
allsaintsgrayswood.org

Mothering Sunday

Join us in the Village Hall @ 10 am
for a relaxed service,
coffee, pastries and crafts

VILLAGE PRAYER

In March, we remember those who live and work in Lower Road, Park Close, and Ash Tree Close.



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.



Thank you



We'd be grateful for the following items

Tins and jars: meat, fruits, vegetables, potatoes, pasta sauce, baked beans., spaghettis hoops, ravioli, soup, rice pudding, custard, marmalade, jams

Dried foods: oats, rice, pasta, couscous, noodles

Drinks: coffee, tea, UHT milk

Other: biscuits, sweet snacks, savoury snacks, packet puddings

Non food items: Toothpaste, shampoo, shower gel, bar soap, sanitary products, cleaning products, toilet roll, pet food

Village Hall Bookings: grayswoodvh@outlook.com | Grayswood Club: annette.sandom@gmail.com

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