



This year the blossom on our neighbours apple tree is the best it has ever been in the 27 years we've been living here. It really is a sight to behold, a spectacle of nature's artistry that bodes well for our upcoming Open Gardens event on the 1st of June.

Every year we witness the changing seasons and the cyclical rhythm of nature. The blossom on the trees, the lambs in the field, the bluebells, the lighter mornings and the warmer days.

In a world where there is so much uncertainty, war, and sadness, the simple joy of nature fills our hearts with hope and tranquillity if we only stop long enough to appreciate it. The blossoming apple tree is a reminder of the enduring wonders that surround us with little input from ourselves.

These can provide the moments for us to cherish and to find solace in. They may be small things, but they can bring profound joy if we simply stop and pause and look around us.

The apple tree in blossom is not just a tree; it is a symbol of renewal, a beacon of hope, and a source of unending delight.

I do hope that you are able to take time to rest in the beauty that surrounds us in Grayswood and to give thanks to its creator.

With love,

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## Sunflower Challenge

There is just about time to plant your sunflower seeds (available from the back of church with growing instructions). If you wish to enter the challenge please register your name and details. Collect a form from church. Flowers entered into the challenge will be judged **at the end of September**

**Winners** will be announced at the **Harvest Festival** on **Sunday 5th October**.



## Church Services

### 8 am Services

2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays

### 10 am Sunday Services:

In Church | On zoom

Every Sunday

[allsaintsgrayswood.org](http://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

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





## Grayswood Open Gardens

Grayswood is proud to open its gardens for the 7th time. As well as 10 gardens, there is a display of Classic Cars at Grayswood Cars, yummy teas and home-made cakes at the village hall and a bumper plant sale on the green for visitors to snap up some bargains.

The gardens are a mix of large (Grayswood House, Clammer Hill House, The Old Coach House) and small ranging from formal to cottage style (Wyck House). Many gardens are terraced, with interesting designs at Findings cottage.

- \* The modernist White House (Grade II\* listing) was built in 1933. The formal gardens remain true to the original. There are flat lawns surrounded by modernist rectangular beds; the sculptural concrete driveway island links to a wildlife pool encased by a concrete pagoda.
- \* Near the Wheatsheaf, down a small lane is Little Hollow. The garden reflects the artist owner's creativity and gardening know how. Behind the house is a large patio edged with glorious beds. The studio lies alongside a large pond with a water feature. Beyond is a lovely view across woodland.
- \* Along Lower Road is the AppArt Sculpture Garden. It has espalier and fan fruit trees, raised vegetable beds and a bright red pergola festooned with roses and clematis. The sculptures are a wonderful feature.
- \* Along Klondyke is No. 3. This small garden packs a big punch. Careful design blends with a riot of planting among far eastern artifacts.
- \* Truly a one off and opening for the first time for GOG is the Manor House 3 Gates Lane. Set in 6 acres with fine views, an impressive show of azaleas and wisteria; water gardens and a magnificent rose garden.

The gardens will be open from 11.30 – 4.30. Tickets cost £6, on sale at Wyck House and the village hall.

<https://www.facebook.com/grayswoodopengardens> or email: [grayswoodopengardens@gmail.com](mailto:grayswoodopengardens@gmail.com)

\*\* Volunteers needed to serve teas (hourly time slots) or bake cakes. Email: [Tracy.pccsecgrayswood@gmail.com](mailto:Tracy.pccsecgrayswood@gmail.com)

Plants to Pauline at Little Paddock (01428 643798) \*\*

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## Haslemere's Journey to 2030

### Society, Environment, Our Town

20th May 2025 at 7pm for 7.30

Entrance Free

Catholic Church Hall, 21 Derby Road, Haslemere, GU27 1BS

At this 'green' talk and networking opportunity, John Paul de Quay will lead an exploration of the connection between society and environment, past, present and future, and the importance of an imaginative guiding vision in the face of our ecological crisis. We will consider the role of faith and explore what vision Haslemere has for the future of the town.

John Paul de Quay, of the Ecological Conversion Group, is director of 'The Journey to 2030'. This lay-run project works with the Catholic Church to help its parishes dream of and build a better future for all. Its aims include, amongst others:

*"To promote unity in action, asking all people to use their varied skills and influence to make a difference."*

*"To especially encourage community building and a sense of sharing."*

Hall opens at 7pm for refreshments; Talk starts at 7.30.

Please, feel free to bring your flyers, requests for volunteers, etc., to share. There will also be an interval.

THE HUNTER CENTRE  
Supporting those living with  
DEMENTIA



**Come and enjoy a Farmhouse Breakfast**  
at The Hunter Centre, Haslemere.

**Saturday 17th May from 9.30 – 11.00**

**Menu provided by Local Farmer Producers:**

Fresh Porridge, Bircher Muesli,

'The Haslemere English' (Egg, Bacon & Sausage), Toast  
Kedgeree, Tea, Coffee, Croissant, Marmalade & Honey.

**TICKETS** £15 pp. Tickets must be booked in advance:

Elaine at The Hunter Centre - 01428 654710 or  
James at Imbhams Farm Granary - 01428 644088  
The Hunter Centre, Marjorie Gray Hall,  
Grayswood Road, GU27 2BW

### Grayswood Book Club

Join us each month for our wonderful book club!

We next meet on Tues 15th April from 8–9 pm to  
chat about our chosen book Conclave by Robert Harris  
Contact Angela: [awheeler100@gmail.com](mailto:awheeler100@gmail.com)



## Grayswood Village Club

### Coffee and Chat

With homemade cakes

Wednesday 14th May 10-12 noon

### Eurovision Evening

Saturday 17th May 7 pm until late

### Quiz Night

Thursday 29th May from 7.45pm

Come as a team or join one on the night!

Open every Saturday from 7pm until 10.30pm

### Members only Club but easy to join!



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

[annette.sandom@gmail.com](mailto:annette.sandom@gmail.com)

For further details about events and how to join  
visit our website



## GRAYSWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

1920 - 2025

GUESTS ALWAYS WELCOME | NEW MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE

### DANCERCISE WITH ASSAL

Join us for our May  
meeting...

**DATE:** Weds 14<sup>th</sup> May  
**TIME:** 7:45/8pm  
**MEET:** Village Hall

Assal Jamm, Dancercise  
instructor here at Grayswood  
Village Hall, brings her popular  
evening class to our WI group!

Enjoy a fun, fairly gentle workout  
to some iconic tunes. Assal  
guarantees we'll leave energised  
& upbeat! Comfortable clothing &  
suitable footwear a must.

### Upcoming meetings

#### JUNE 11TH

Welcoming a speaker  
from Watts Gallery.

#### JULY 9TH

Welcoming a speaker  
from the Covid 19 Vaccine  
taskforce.

#### AUGUST - DATE TBC

Optional offsite visit to  
West Dean Gardens

### SAY HELLO & FIND OUT MORE

**EMAIL:** [grayswoodwi@gmail.com](mailto:grayswoodwi@gmail.com)  
**FACEBOOK:** [@grayswoodwomensinstitute](https://www.facebook.com/grayswoodwomensinstitute)  
**WEBSITE:** [grayswoodwi.wixsite.com/home](https://grayswoodwi.wixsite.com/home)

## Haslemere Library May Events 2025



Haslemere Library is the place to go for half term  
fun! Here are some of the events we are running.

**Author Talk**  
with Judith  
Heneghan

**Friday 16th May**  
2.30-3.30pm  
£4 per person

Meet the author  
and discuss her  
latest book:



 Book Now on Eventbrite

**Coding with Scratch**  
**24th May**  
**3pm - 4 pm**  
**Ages 7yrs - 10 yrs**  
**£4.00**  
**Booking essential**

**May 29th**  
**Wall bug day!**  
**Drop in - 10am - 3pm**  
**£2.00**



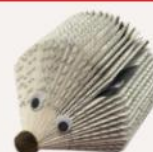
**Coffee and  
Company (with  
guest hosts)**  
**Intergenerational**  
**First Saturday of the  
month. 10.00 - 11.30**  
**FREE**

**Digital Support**  
**Volunteer**  
**Every Tuesday**  
**10.00 - 12.00**  
**(30 min slots)**  
**FREE**

**Meet and Make**  
**Craft Group**  
**Intergenerational**  
**Last Saturday of the  
month 10.00 - 12.00**  
**FREE**



**May**  
**8 -10th**  
**POPPY WREATH**  
**DROP IN 10.00-4.00PM**  
**£1.50 PER WREATH**



**HEDGEHOG BOOK**  
**FOLDING CRAFT**  
**UP-CYCLE AN OLD**  
**PAPERBACK INTO AN**  
**ADORABLE HEDGEHOG!**  
**27<sup>th</sup> AND 30<sup>th</sup> MAY**  
**DROP-IN:**  
**10AM-3PM**  
**£2 PER CHILD**



## Church Services in May

**May 4th 10 am\* Parish Communion**

**May 11th 8 am Holy Communion**  
**10 am\* Morning Worship**

**May 18th 10 am\* Parish Communion**

**May 25th 8 am Holy Communion**  
**10 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](https://join.zoom.us)**

**NEW Meeting ID: 816 3187 4033 | Passcode: 2025**

## 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](mailto:revfigwynn@gmail.com)

**Revd Elaine Collins** works part-time (day off Tues)

Tel 07543 083178

Email: [revelainecollins@icloud.com](mailto: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](mailto:allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com).

### Do you have a general enquiry?

Email our church administrator Sarah on [allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com)

For more information, please visit our website:

**[allsaintsgrayswood.org](https://allsaintsgrayswood.org)**

You are invited to



Jesus said, I am

**The Truth**

With Mary Sutton

Wednesday 7th May, 8pm

Doors open and refreshments served from 7:30pm  
 St Stephen's, Church Road, Haslemere, GU27 1NS

## 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, spaghetti 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](mailto:grayswoodvh@outlook.com) | **Grayswood Club:** [annette.sandom@gmail.com](mailto:annette.sandom@gmail.com)

**Grayswood School** 642086 | **Grayswood Nursery** 658931