

NOTICES CONTINUED

In church this week –

Monday 18th September	9.00 am	Little Dragons
Wednesday 20th September	9.30 am	Said Eucharist Service
Friday 22nd September	6.30 pm	BYC

WELCOME TO ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, IFIELD



[Please join us](#)

Here at St. Margaret's we are delighted to open our church again daily from 8:30 am till 4 pm to enable people to use this building individually for private prayer.

Please do look at our website

www.ifieldparish.org

or our group

[St Margaret's Church, Ifield](#)

for more details of our online services, how to join them, and discover how the church is active and at work proclaiming in this community, that in Jesus you are "Loved as you are".

17th September 2023

Trinity 15

Services next Sunday:

Trinity 16

Sung Eucharist Service (11 am)

For our prayers

The Parish: Loxwood Walk, The Mardens, Messenger Close and Middleton Way, Lark Rise, Larkins Road and Latimer Close

The Sick: Patients of Langley Green Hospital and Paula Holt, Arthur and Doris Pattenden, Lydia, David Baker, Maureen Clifford, Charlotte Bacon, Daphne Goodwin, Sally Windsor, Ray and Pam Budd, Tina Fell, Katie and family, Mary and Andrew Eastman, Richard Whitehouse, Lucy Millar, Pete Barton, Pat Hollis, Ann Swaine and Susan Maries

The Departed: Kim Cheesman

Year's mind: Joyce Watt, Maggie Champion, George Sallows, Charles Moon, Enid Jones, Esmee Mascall, Bert Northover, Iris Young and Mary Parker

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A HUGE THANK YOU to all who sponsored Jill (and Jane, who would have done it had she not been unwell) for walking from Amberley to Arundel and back in support of FSW. With your help we raised a total of £440.

FSW Harvest Needs. Please see the flyer for more details. The church will be collecting both monetary offerings and food for FSW at our Harvest Service on the 1st of October.

Open Door – 1st Wednesday of the month – 10.15 am to 12 pm.

Open Door is an opportunity to meet with others, drink coffee and chat - everyone is welcome whether you come to church or not. Bring your knitting, your dominos, your puzzles but most importantly bring you - a warm welcome awaits!

Easter Team Foodbank. The Easter Team Operations Manager provided the following info/stats just before our recent parades collection. There can clearly be no doubt of the need for this help locally.

'In the first 6 months of 2023 (Jan - Jun) we gave out 3092 food parcels.

We served 1150 separate households which equates to 2306 individuals.

All our clients are within the Crawley area, RH10 and RH11.

This is an increase of approximately a third on the same period last year.

A family food parcel is worth at least £28, a 2 person parcel is £25 and a single person parcel is £16 - however these were last calculated over 6 months ago so will now be inflated.

The vast majority of our food and finances are donated by individuals, churches, schools and organisations. To date we have received very little statutory funding.

Unlike most food banks, our clients do not need a formal referral. They can self-refer, but we do complete a short assessment of need.

We are expecting our client numbers to continue to increase over the second half of this year. There is no end in sight of the cost of living crisis which is hitting low income households the hardest.

Thank you, to you and to all who support you in the parish - I know you're doing another collection this weekend, we really really do appreciate it.'

Sue Gilbert

Sunday Evening Service of Prayer and Praise - Sunday 24th September at 6:30 pm at St Barnabas, Pound Hill (in the church). Christians of all

denominations are welcome to an informal ecumenical service of Prayer and Praise which is in a series of regular monthly 6:30 Sunday evening services being held at St Barnabas Church, Pound Hill. The Ecumenical Worship Group will be creating a peaceful worshipful atmosphere with music and song and plenty of time for all to reflect together prayerfully. If you would like to join in with the music group by playing an instrument or singing please email John Palmer on music.stb@worthparish.org for more information.

Men's Fellowship has one date for your diaries.

Tues 3rd October - Skittles in Three Bridges — Trevor is kindly organising this for us – they will do us a Buffet. I will be in touch nearer the time to give costs and get you to sign-up for the Skittles so we know numbers.

Crawley CAP. Their café takes place 10 am to 11.30 am. The Alpha course is taking place every Tuesday in October 2023. For more information on the above please contact the Centre Manager, Rachel Dawson racheldawson@capuk.org

Crawley Open house. The Sleep Out 2023, 7 pm on the 26th of October in Queens Square or at home. Please see the poster on the porch noticeboard for more details.

Flowers - we are considering a new scheme where people can donate towards the flowers for a particular Sunday in the year (not including the weeks of Lent or Advent) in dedication to a departed family member and/or friend. If you would like to be a part of this scheme please speak to Patricia Upham-Hill. The name of the person can be put on the news sheet on the week of the donation if you would like. If you would like any further information please speak to me or Patricia. Christine

For more information on Save West of Ifield please refer to this website: www.savewestoffield.co.uk