NOTICES CONTINUED

In church this week -

Sunday 1 st October	2.00 pm 4.00 pm	Baptisms Harvest Songs of Praise
Monday 2 nd October	9.00 am	Little Dragons
Tuesday 3 rd October	9.30 am	St Margaret's School Harvest Service
Wednesday 4 th October	9.30 am 10.15 am	Said Eucharist Service Open Door
Friday 6 th October	1.00 pm	Little Dragons

Forthcoming Events

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".

1st October 2023Trinity 17Services next Sunday:FIISH Service (9.30 am)Trinity 18Sung Eucharist (11 am)

For our prayers

The Parish: Abbotsfield Road, Albert Crane Close, Aldingbourne

Close and Ambleside Close, Adelaide Close, Ashmore

House, Auckland Close and Beckett Lane

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, Susan Maries, John Boero, Tina, Gordon and

John Penalver

The Departed: Kim Cheesman

Year's mind: John Gray, Patricia Tucker, Dot Adamson, Joyce

Reeves, Harry Bruce, Jack Martin, Helen Mills, William Lewis, Malcolm Groves, Ron Binmore and Ellen Reed

Baptisms: Nevaeh and River

NOTICES

The funeral for Kim Cheesman is taking place in church on the 11th of October at 12 pm. All welcome.

The Real Advent Calendar - this year, real advent calendars are <u>not</u> available in the supermarkets. Instead they are only available to order online (with a £6 delivery charge). However if there is sufficient uptake we will order these on your behalf and save the delivery cost for all. Each calendar is priced at £4.50 and comes with a free 24-page Christmas storyactivity booklet. The company behind these advent calendars, also have other items available - see the leaflet next to the order form. Please add your details to the order form or speak to Naomi.

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 indiviuals, 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

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.savewestofifield.co.uk