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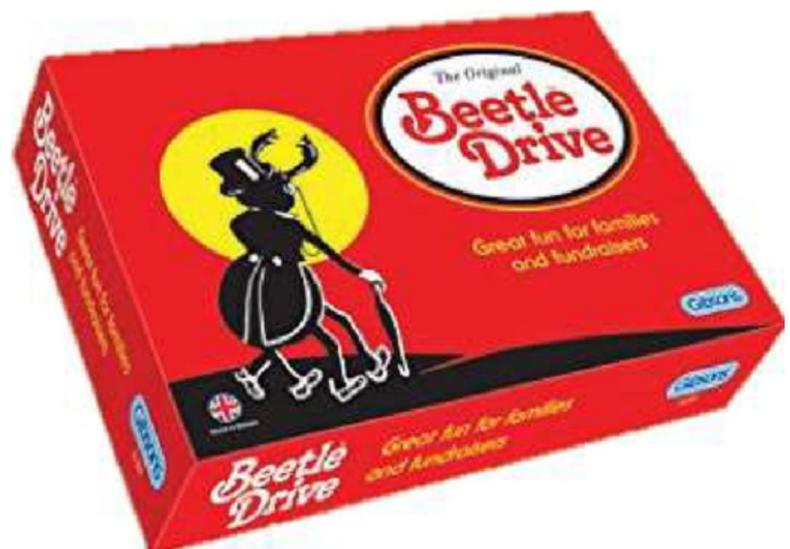
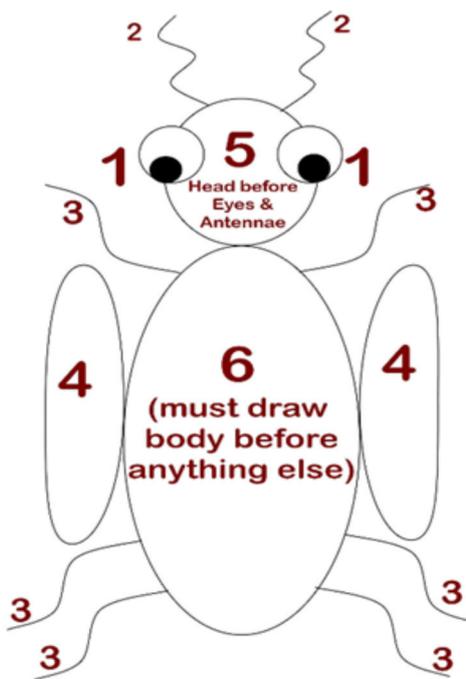
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# **PARISHES OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, PETWORTH & ST BARTHOLOMEW, EGDEAN**

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From Canon Mark Gilbert

Dear Friends,

The 40th Anniversary of Petworth Festival has reminded us of the power of Music and Drama to help us transcend this world and lift us up to a higher plane.

Bishop Martin is very keen that the worship week by week across the Diocese will do the same thing. He has arranged a conference at the Palace on September 22nd from 10.30 am – 4.00 pm.

Bishop Martin writes:-

*'Many audiences...have seen the face of the invisible through an experience on the stage that transcended their experience in life.'*

This was an assessment of the impact of the theatre on our spiritual life by Peter Brook, one of the 20th century's leading writers on the theory of drama. His words challenge us, as Christians, to assess the extent to which the drama of the liturgy, in which we are all players, might reveal *'the face of the invisible'* for us and for those who encounter our worship for the first time.

**Holy Play: Liturgy as Theatre** is a one day conference which invites lay and ordained Christians to reflect on the drama of our worship and its quality. Servers, musicians, churchwardens, sacristans and leaders of youth and children's work should expect to find that they feature in the exploration we shall be undertaking. For them, as for the clergy, it is hoped that the day will offer new insights that revitalise inherited resources and expectations.

I look forward to seeing you there.

+ Martin

The Festival may soon be over but our Churches, week by week, are places where our Souls can be lifted to a higher plane.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Mark" followed by a long, sweeping horizontal stroke.

## HOLY PLAY LITURGY AS THEATRE



**Saturday 22nd  
September 2018  
10.30 - 16.00**

A one-day conference to explore and reflect on the quality and drama of Christian worship. The aim is to offer new insights that revitalise inherited resources and expectations.

### *Who should attend?*

Anyone involved in Christian worship: children's workers, churchwardens, youth leaders, musicians, sacristans, deacons, singers, servers, priests, etc.

### *Cost*

There is no charge to attend the conference. A lunch will be provided (for which donations will be gratefully received).

### *Venue*

The Palace, Chichester, PO19 1PY

### *How to reserve a place*

To reserve a place on the course, go to <https://holyplay.weebly.com/to-book.html> and complete the form, or call Bradley Smith on: **07931 527724**.

## JAZZ AT THE RECTORY

Saturday 30th June saw the final culmination of all the advance planning, endless 'dates for your diary' notices on Sunday mornings, and anguishing over how many bottles of wine to buy. The only positive was the decision not to borrow the Community Association's big marquee, because the weather outlook was so good. We only used gazebos and these can be put up by just two people. Erecting the marquee would have required a small army of able bodied helpers.

There was widespread praise for the band, Carla Hendriks, Paul Stiles, and the Westwood Jazz Trio. Their music was absolutely delightful.



Fr Mark, as ever, masterminded cooking the barbecue burgers, and sausages, Members of the Event Planning Group provided a lovely assortment of salad to suit all tastes. Only one drawback here, your author happily took a good bite of chopped tomatoes, only to find that they were red peppers - his pet loathing. No doubt everybody else loved them.

We owe an enormous debt of gratitude to Tony Sneller and the Petworth & District Community Association for the loan of the gazebos, and their hard work in bringing them, erecting them, taking them down again, and returning them to storage, a task accomplished by 10.50 pm. One dreads leaving a large marquee up, and coming back two days later to find it has rained. Been there, done that!

At the time of writing the final result is unknown, but should be comfortably in credit. We sold 75 tickets, some at the last minute to strangers who had seen the banner outside church.



All in all what a wonderful evening! Great company, great refreshments, great music, that stunning view, and weather to dream of, plus cash in hand at the end of it. What else could Scrooge your treasurer want?

It only remains to thank Fr Mark for throwing open his home.

Clearly a must for 2019.

*Andrew Howard*

### ***St Bartholomew's Church, Egdean Ride and Stride 2018***

To all Riders and Striders: the 2018 'Ride and Stride' is on Saturday 8th September so the date draws near. Last year we at Egdean did exceptionally well in the amount which we raised and we must do our best to maintain this high standard.

So I hope that this year even more of you will ride or stride and that you will all cajole some very generous sponsors into supporting you.

As you well know, half of what we raise goes to the Sussex Historic Churches Trust and half to Egdean Church; both need your help.

So please make time on 8th September to have a nice ride or walk visiting some local churches. I will have sponsorship forms available in due course.

See you on the day

*Robert Longmore*

## **NORTHCHAPEL**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the parish of St Michael and All Angels, Northchapel as they celebrate the 300th anniversary of it becoming a separate parish in its own right.

Previously, up until this time, Northchapel had formed part of Petworth parish along with Duncton.

*John Townsend*

## WHY NOT VISIT A CHURCH

**PETERSFIELD'S PARISH CHURCH of ST PETER** stands right in the centre of the town, dominating the southern side of the Market Square.

The first church on this site was built before Petersfield was established as a town and may have been founded by Queen Matilda, the wife of William the Conqueror, who owned the Manor of Maplrdurhan (now called Buriton).

It was not until 1886 that Petersfield became a separate parish having remained a chapelry to Buriton up until this time. The original plan for the church, which was built between 1120 and 1150, is believed to have been cruciform, with a central lantern tower which the present chancel arch formed the east wall. It was towards the end of the 12th century that a second period of building added the north and south aisles and the building of a west tower. Whether the central tower was ever completed, or was taken down when the building was enlarged is not known. The west tower was raised to its present height during the 14th century and the parapet was added.

Further work during the 15th century involved windows being inserted in the wall of the north aisle, in the east wall of the chancel and in the south aisle. In 1873 a major restoration was undertaken which included rebuilding most of both the chancel and nave leaving only the Norman arch and some of the tower and north wall left untouched. By raising the roof a clerestory was added to the nave giving much more light and a more spacious aspect. At the same time a sacristy and organ chamber were added on the north side of the chancel, which replaced the Jolliffe family gallery, which had its own private entrance. The north porch was added in 1887.

The 15th century font was removed from its position at the east end of the nave and replaced by a modern one at the west end. In 1946 the original 15th century one was rescued from the churchyard where it had been left for 70 years and reinstalled at the west end. The three windows above the chancel arch represent Christ in Majesty, the Good Shepherd and the Light of the World. The reredos is of mosaic, painted stone and mother of pearl and depicts Christ the King in the centre with three angels on either side, was donated in 1903. A major re-ordering of the church in 1999 involved screening off the three areas at the west end. A Lady Chapel was created in the centre under the tower and contains a number of memorial tablets to the Jolliffe family including one to Lieutenant George Jolliffe, killed at the Battle of the Nile in 1799.

The Chapel also contains a carving of St Peter, a memorial by Flaxman and a Madonna and Child in oak. On one side of the chapel is a servery, with toilets and a meeting room on the other side. The tower contains a peal of eight bells which were installed from 1746 to 1895.

*John Townsend*

### **REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT ST MARY'S**

Monday:	Parent Toddler Group	10.00 am - 12.00 noon
Tuesday:	Keep Fit with Chair Exercises	10.00 am 11.00 am
Wednesday:	Art Group	10.00 am -12.00 noon

Do come and join us for any of the activities, a warm welcome awaits you

### **PETWORTH & DISTRICT OVER 60s DAY CENTRE**

**The Friendship Centre**

#### Dates for your Diary August

Wednesday 8th                      2.00 – 4.00 pm                      Bingo

Wednesday 22nd                      2.00 – 4.00 pm                      Bingo

Our Annual Outing this year, on Wednesday 29th August, will be to Poole. Cost for members £12.00. Non-members welcome – cost £15.00. Sign up in the Friendship Centre.

Pray for a fine day!

*Caroline Stoneman*

*House Committee Chairman*

**COPY DATE FOR THE SEPTEMBER MAGAZINE**

**IS**

**MONDAY 13TH AUGUST**

***St Bartholomew's Church, Egdean***

Web site: [www.egdeanparish.com](http://www.egdeanparish.com)

Dates for your Diary

**Saturday 11th August from 9.00 am onwards, Church Working Party**

Your help is most welcome both inside the church and outside for our annual spring clean and external maintenance, timber preservation, strimming around graves, clipping back hedges etc. Please let Roger Dallyn know if you are able to attend [rogerdallyn@hotmail.com](mailto:rogerdallyn@hotmail.com) or 01798 343454.

**Sunday 19th August at 4.00 pm      St Bartholomew's Patronal Evensong Service  
with members of Petworth Choir.**

Weather permitting we are planning to hold an outdoor Patronal Evensong Service in the churchyard followed by afternoon tea. Please come and join us for this special celebration of St Bartholomew - everyone welcome.

Please Note: The Family Praise Service will recommence on **9th September at 9.15 am with 'Back to School'** as the topic.

**Friday 28th September at 7.00 pm      Church Harvest Supper and Beetle Drive, Woodruff Barn, Egdean**

Tickets sold prior to event in order to know numbers, £10 for adults, £5 for children 12 and under.

Please order your tickets from  
Christine Dallyn [christinedallyn@hotmail.com](mailto:christinedallyn@hotmail.com) (01798 343454)  
or  
Jenny Foster [jennyefoster@gmail.com](mailto:jennyefoster@gmail.com) (01798 342955)

*Anyone wishing to donate a pudding please also let us know.*

***Christine Dallyn***

***Hon Secretary to Egdean PCC***

# THE ARTS SOCIETY WEST SUSSEX

**There is no lecture in August**

**On Tuesday September 4th, Antony Penrose will give a talk on  
Lee Miller - Witnessing Women at War**

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and European History, told against the background of Lee Miller's  
own life story**

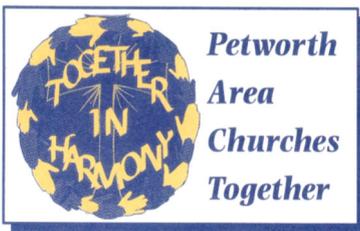
Meeting held in Fittleworth Village Hall at 2.00 pm

Doors open 1.40. Tea and coffee after the lecture

Please call 01903 411086 or contact [jackiebuckler@sky.com](mailto:jackiebuckler@sky.com)

Visitors most welcome - £5

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## AUGUST NEWS

**Autumn Lecture – Friday 19th October with Mission Aviation Fellowship  
St Mary's Church, Petworth at 7.30 pm.**

PACT is proud to present another great speaker for the autumn lecture – Keith Varney from Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF). MAF uses planes to transform the lives of the world's most isolated people in need.

Serving in more than 25 countries their planes bring hope, help and healing to thousands of isolated communities. They deliver practical help, share God's word and help to heal the sick. They use over 130 light aircraft to deliver passengers and cargo in partnership with thousands of organisations.

This promises to be another fascinating evening broadening our horizons to what God is doing all over the world and how we can partner with them.

***Kate & Karl Ayling***



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## Going for gold - the Silver-spotted skipper

By Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

Am I the only one not interested at all in the World Cup? I can't think of anything duller than watching a bunch of over-paid men kicking a bag of gas up and down a field. By the time you read this we'll have already worked out which country is the best at kicking a ball and we can forget about it all for another four years. Meanwhile, I'll be spending my July and August in pursuit of my favourite sport - butterfly watching - and I'll be sat on the turf watching a tiny orange butterfly racing around and fighting.

When it comes to sports, the Silver-spotted skipper is a true Olympian and stands on all levels of the podium. Their wings are golden and bronze with shining silver panels on the underside. It's one of our smallest butterflies and it gymnastically zips, twists and flips around the downland turf at incredible speeds. The males are vicious little blighters too. They defend a territory and will attack any other insect that dares wander into their arena.



And the one thing they love more than racing and fighting is sunbathing. In Sussex you'll only find them on the hottest slopes of the South Downs where they seek out their favourite hotspots – the bare ground created by grazing animals. This bare earth heats up and forms a microclimate much warmer than the surrounding grass - and to a tiny butterfly that's the difference between Iceland and Ibiza.

These butterflies were doing fine for centuries but back when England last won the World Cup in 1966 the world above their hot hoof-print havens had begun to shift. Changes in economics and agricultural policies took the sheep off the Downs and the cold shadows of tall grasses, brambles and thorns took over.

With their habitat cooling, the future looked dark for our sun-loving skipper and by the tense semi-finals of the 1990 World Cup it was facing extinction in Britain. In Sussex it held on at a few colonies on the far eastern edge of the South Downs. But the world has started to change again; we're getting hotter! As the global temperatures rise, people and polar bears are panicking but this little butterfly has kept its cool. It is finding that there are now more of those nice hot microclimates available.



Meanwhile, conservation groups across the South Downs have brought back grazing to conserve our precious chalk downland habitat. Up on Malling Down near Lewes you'll see my woolly colleagues, the hungry Herdwick sheep, at work on the Sussex Wildlife Trust's reserve. It's one of the hotspots for this skipper in Sussex.

With the sheep creating the perfect habitat and the thermometers rocketing each summer the stage is set for a Silver-spotted comeback! And here he comes! Off to a flying start in the eastern South Downs! Passing Alfriston and Firle! Overtaking Lewes on the inside! Vaulting past Ditchling and Wolstonbury and, with a hop, skip and jump, he's made it to Storrington! Reconquering the South Downs - 42 miles in 28 years - surely that's worthy of a medal!

Head out for a walk on the South Downs in August and you may be in with a sporting chance of spotting this skipper – as well as many other beautiful chalk downland butterflies.

## **CHICHESTER DIOCESE 'YEAR OF PRAYER'**

Prayer being the only means of a relationship with God, is an essential part of the Christian life. It is not just petitions, but more about listening, heeding God's will and being led through obedience to good motives. How else may we be the first to apologise when we are the injured party? But it is the only way to a resolution!

*Rosemary Harris*

# PETWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Leavers' Service

Every year our Year Six children are invited to attend a Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral. This is a thought provoking service where the Diocese wish the children a safe and enriched journey as they embark on the next step of their education. It also allows us to visit a wonderful building. In addition this year, we took all Willow Class to Air Arena, so the children could engage in a variety of bouncing activities run by the staff.



## Fairy Houses

Maple Class made some wonderful fairy houses which they entered into the School Art Challenge 2018 at Chichester University on Saturday 16th June and their amazing hard work and talent was recognised by the judges and they won first prize.





Award presentation at Chichester University

### ST MARY'S COFFEE MORNINGS

The Coffee Morning held on Saturday 7th July raised £248.85 for new bell ropes. A great result, enough to purchase one bell rope, and a further donation was given for a second one. As ever, a great thank you to all who helped, the support from the bell ringers was much appreciated, as was all who came along. The next coffee morning on Saturday 11th August will be in aid of church funds.

*Jean Huggett and Gill Ticehurst*



*After inspection, Callum was allowed into the Animals' Service*



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*...firstly, thank you whoever it was who put two buttons in the collection plate last week - they turned out to be early Victorian, and I've just sold them on 'ebay' for £800 each!*

### **PETWORTH LUNCH CLUB**

Petworth Lunch Club meets in the URC Hall at 12 noon on Tuesday 14th August for a 2 course lunch including tea or coffee - cost £7.50. Booking essential through Caroline Stoneman. Phone 342942.

# HAYDN

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A summer holiday visiting old ruins was just the thing to put the vicar's leaky roof problems into perspective

# Family Activities

## @Chichester Cathedral

### Crazy colours

Tuesday 21st August  
10.00 am - 3.00 pm  
(Last entry 2.30 pm)

#### A fun filled family day to be held in Chichester Cathedral

Join us to design and make a pair of magnificent crazy glasses or a beautiful stained glass window or sun catcher.

Follow the trail and see all the 'Crazy Colours' around the Cathedral - collect your prize when you finish!

There is no need to book just drop in. The cost is **£2.50 per child**.

Suitable for children aged 3 – 12 years, who must be accompanied by an adult. There will also be a carpeted area available with soft toys for children under 3 years, who come along with their older brothers and sisters.

Take advantage of the Cloisters café offer of a child's meal for £1.50 when an accompanying adult buys a lunch item, with a valid voucher that can be collected on arrival.

**Come along and join in all the fun!**

For further details contact Luna on  
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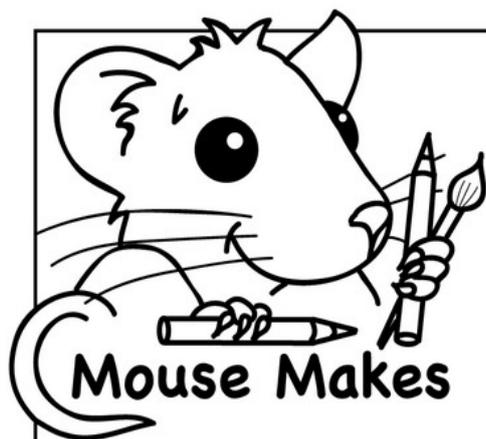


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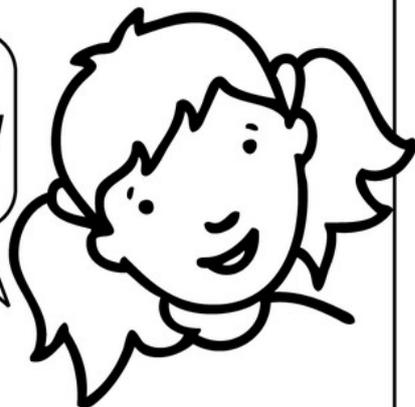
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What do you say when you pray?

When I pray I say **THANK YOU** to God



When I pray I say **SORRY** and ask God to forgive me



I pray for my **FAMILY** and my **FRIENDS**



I pray The Lord's Prayer from *Matthew 6:9-13*

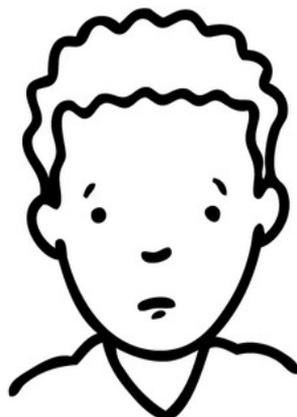


**PATER NOSTER** is Latin for 'Our Father' How many other words can you make with the letters from **PATER NOSTER** ?

Here are two to start you off

...SON... PEAS...

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.....  
.....



When I pray I tell God about my **WORRIES** and ask Him to help me

I talk to God all the time about all sorts of things!



What do you pray to God about?

# CALENDAR AND SERVICES FOR AUGUST AND EARLY SEPTEMBER

**August**

**5th**

**TRINITY 10**

*Exodus 16.2-4,9-15, Ephesians 4.1-16, John 6.24-35*

Holy Eucharist 8.00 am

NO Service at Egdean

JUBILATE Family Mass 10.30 am

**12th**

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

*Isaiah 61.10,11, Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 1.46-55*

Holy Eucharist 8.00 am

Parish Eucharist at Egdean 9.00 am

Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

**19th**

**ST BARTHOLOMEW**

*Isaiah 43.8-13, Acts 5.12-16, Luke 22.24-30*

Holy Eucharist 8.00 am

Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

**PATRONAL EVENSONG EGDEAN 4.00 pm**

*Weather permitting we are planning to hold an outdoor Patronal Evensong Service in the churchyard followed by afternoon tea. Please come and join us for this special celebration for St Bartholomew - everyone welcome.*

**26th**

**TRINITY 13**

*Joshua 24.1-2a,14-18, Ephesians 6.10-20, John 6.56-69*

Holy Eucharist 8.00 am

Parish Eucharist at Egdean 9.00 am

Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

**September**

**2nd**

**TRINITY 14**

*Deuteronomy 4.1-2,6-9, James 1.17-27, Mark 7.1-8,14,15,21-23*

Holy Eucharist 8.00 am

Holy eucharist BCP (Egdean) 9.00 am

Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>
<b>Fridays</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>

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### **'GOOD NEWS' BOOK CLUB AT SOMERSET LODGE**

**2nd, 4th and 5th Tuesdays 2.00 pm,  
and also 6.00 - 7.00 pm every Wednesday (except Jul. Aug. and Dec.),  
followed by separate prayer group all year round. Tel 343842.**

As the groups do not meet during July and August, it is an opportunity to prepare the work ahead, which brings the scriptures thrillingly alive. Each group has now studied the gospels, and has reached the letters and Hebrews. There is much anticipation of the arrival at Revelation, that visionary book written by the apostle John, who had been exiled during the persecutions, to the island of Patmos in Greece, far away from where his preaching could cause more trouble! Its colourful descriptions are very strange to us today, but had been common in pre Christian writings like that of Daniel. Eagerly awaited for a journey of discovery.

Opportunity! If demand exists, a third Study Group will start again from Matthew's gospel:

5,00 - 6.00 pm Wednesday 5th September and each Wednesday following  
(except Dec, July & Aug)

*Rosemary Harris*



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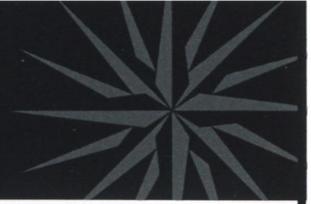
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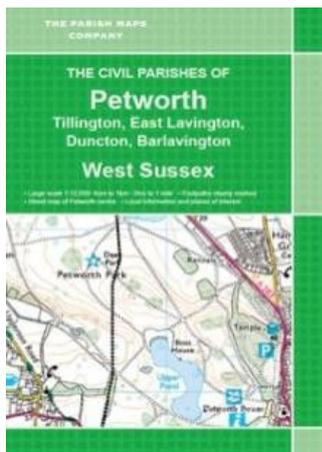
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**China:** Chinese partner Bob Fu, on a recent visit to UK reported that persecution of Christians in China is worsening and is now as severe as at any time since the Cultural Revolution. They have been pulling down crosses, demolishing churches and imprisoning pastors. Li Baiguang, an outspoken campaigner for religious freedom, died in suspicious circumstances earlier this year. Yet despite the increasingly open persecution, the growth of Christianity there seems unstoppable. Under communism Christianity has grown to more than 100 million people. Yet China is only No 43 on the Worldwatch list of severity of persecution!

They also report a horrific attack this summer, on 3 churches in Indonesia by a single family: The father, his two teenage sons, and the mother with her two young daughters all blew themselves up during the Sunday services, causing 13 deaths and over 40 injuries beside devastation to the buildings.

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### HOLY MATRIMONY

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### FUNERALS

Pray for the repose of the souls of

**PAMELA MASCO HESELTINE** of 4 Somerset Hospital, who passed away at Worthing hospital on 11th June aged 65 years.

Since moving here with her husband John, in 1997, Pam had become a popular figure around the town. She was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, her paternal grandparents were originally Slovakian-Irish farmers. From an early age she had a love of horses and was even showing an interest in art. She attended the Boston school of Art and left America for England in 1978 to continue her art education. Here she met her husband to be, John Heseltine. John was a distinguished artist and with his encouragement Pam was to become herself an artist of note.

Her misty landscapes, often of the Shimmings Valley or Petworth Park, were shown in several exhibitions including two at Petworth House in 2010 and 2012. John died two years ago aged 92. Following his death, Pam had been a regular attender at St Mary's services and had shown great courage during the years of her treatment for her cancer.

Her funeral service was held at St Mary's on 5th July and was followed by Committal at Worthing Crematorium.

**ANDREW JOHN HENDERSON** of 62 Sheepdown Drive who passed away on 5th June aged 82 years.

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The Committal took place at Worthing Crematorium on 26th June.

We offer our condolences to Annette and to both Ian and Jane on the loss of their father.

**ROGER ANTHONY LUCKING** of 17 Rothermead who passed away on 1st July just two days before his 91st birthday.

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The Committal at Worthing Crematorium on 20th July was followed by a Service of Thanksgiving at St Mary's.

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