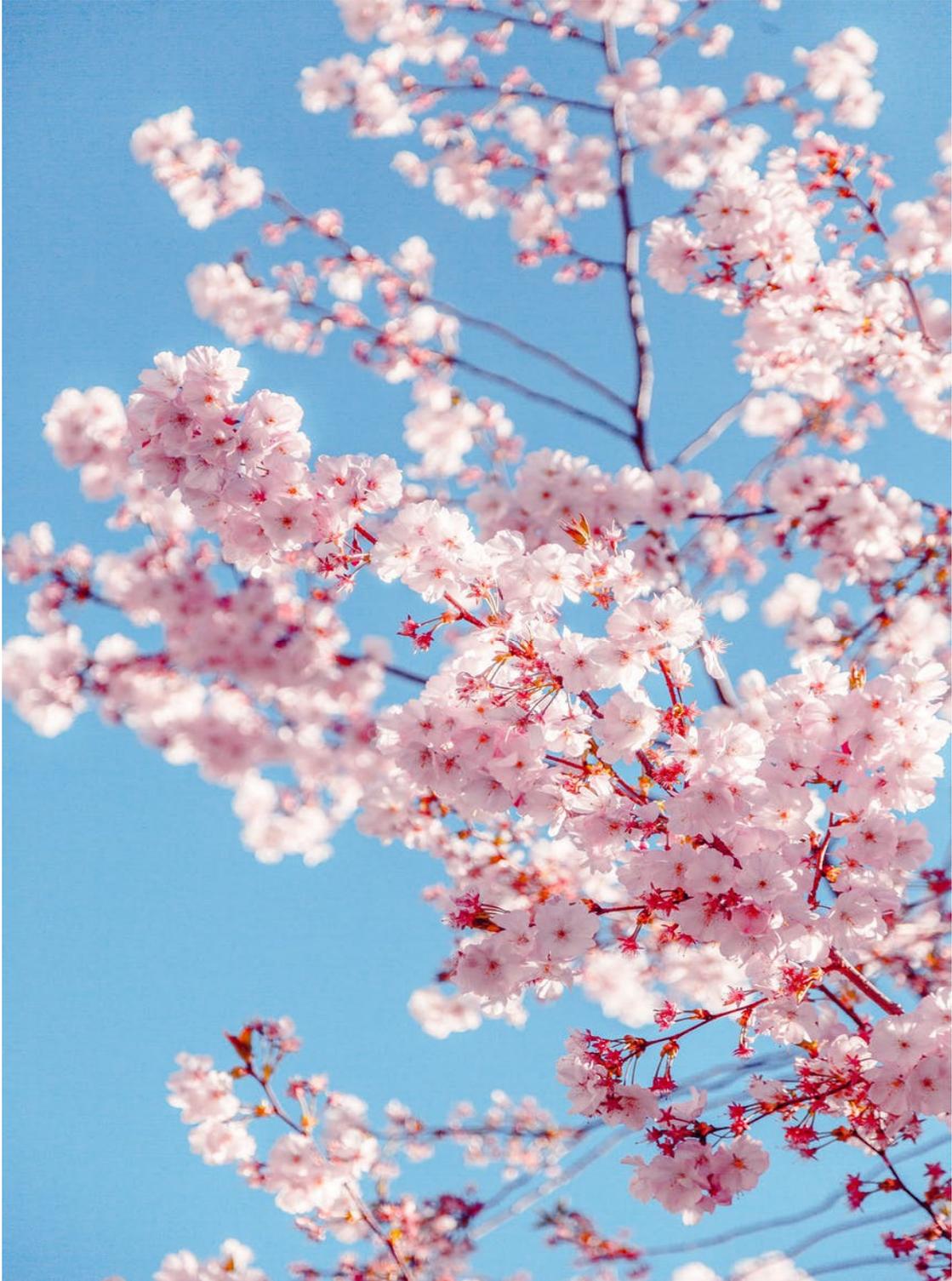


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# FROM CANON MARK GILBERT

Dear Friends



## ST BARTHOLOMEW'S EGDEAN 400 YEARS

This year makes a remarkable anniversary the 400th year of the rebuilding of our Church at Egdean. This make a series of celebrations, please do join us.

The church was rebuilt in 1622 and the date is imprinted over the door. The Church is of brick and greenish-tinted sandstone; around the church are buttresses partly of stone and partly of brick. It has a western bellcote containing one bell. The date 1623 is cut into the west chancel tie beam.

To celebrate the 400 years of our Church we are beating the bounds on Sunday 22nd May. Please see the details in the magazine.

Or on the web site <https://kevishouse.com/beatingthebounds>

On Wednesday 24th August, St Bartholomew's Day, we are having a celebration in the evening to mark our 400 years and invite you all to join us.

## EGDEAN

A lane so little trodden it seemed  
Few feet could ever find it,  
It led me to a little church  
With the Weald and the Downs behind it.

Lifting gold trumpets to proclaim  
The earth's glad resurrection,  
They guard that place of ancient peace  
With beauty's brave protection.

So small a church would seem well filled  
If twenty folk should pray there.  
So quite a place that God could teach  
Even me a prayer to say there.

A shrine of sweet serenity,  
Few feet there are that find it.  
Remote from busy crowded ways  
With its daffodils to mind it.

Through windows set in massive walls  
The April sun was glancing.  
Out in the church-yard everywhere  
Wild daffodils were dancing.

I shall remember all my life,  
(For I was one that found it)  
That graveyard green, that little church  
And the daffodils around it.

Like guardian angels of the dead,  
The happy dead that sleep there,  
Symbolic of the heavenly spring,  
A faithful watch they keep there.

I shall be glad when I am old  
That once I found the way there,  
And in my heart kneel down again  
With the daffodils, to pray there.

*Mark*

## **CHICHESTER DISTRICT FOODBANK (Trussell Trust)**

### **Urgently needed items**

The Petworth Donation points are: Co-op and the Sacred Heart Church.

Please only donate items that are in-date and unopened. Due to 'Natasha's Law' (a law brought in to protect allergy sufferers), the foodbank is unable to accept items without a full ingredients list.

Tinned tomatoes and Tinned Vegetables  
Tinned Fruit  
Fish/Meat Paste for sandwiches  
Sponge Puddings  
Long-life Milk  
Multi-purpose Cleaner  
Disposable Razors and Shaving Foam/Gel  
Plastic Carrier Bags - Bags for Life preferably

If you'd prefer to donate money online, then please go to:  
<https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money>

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

## **ST MARY'S FLOWER ARRANGERS**

On behalf of the flower arranging team, our great thanks to Jean Huggett and the coffee morning team for raising funds for Easter Flowers. A total of £260 was raised on the morning. Thank you to everyone who came and supported this fund raiser.

While Easter is usually a very expensive time, we were able to source our flowers on very favourable terms, including locally grown alstroemerias, and the total cost came in well under budget leaving a surplus to go towards Harvest! Our thanks, too, to Matthew Spriggs for stopping by on his return from collecting 3 large urns of wedding flowers from Goodwood. 'Cream and green, could they be useful?' 'You bet.' And to Jonathan Arnold for providing us with the very necessary foliage for our arrangements.

Bravo to the team of arrangers: Peggy Burrell, Alison Denny, Caroline Egremont, Judy Howard, Gillian Oakley, Diane Osborne, Ruth Sneller and Ronagh Wheeler especially for giving their time not only to arranging but also to the necessary preparation of the flowers.

*Alison Follis*

# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, EGDEAN

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NB: Gift Aid forms are available in Church or from our Treasurer*

## Chancel Ceiling Repair Works

The works to replace our Chancel Ceiling is progressing well and, as you can see from the picture below, we are still able to hold our weekly services with a bit of adaption of lighting for the chancel area. Please Note: that the church will be locked while these works are ongoing and only open for services.



We are pleased to report that we have received a grant of £5,000 from Sussex Historic Churches Trust towards the works.

## Lent Appeal Family Support Work

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Lent Appeal we raised £155 and a box of dried and tinned ingredients, which have been forwarded to FSW.

## Dates for your Diary

**Sunday 22nd May** - 'Beating the Bounds' Fundraising Walk Egdean Parish Boundary starting at 9.00 am.

**Saturday 18th June from 5.30 pm** - Annual Church BBQ and stalls in the churchyard. Please let us know if you would like to help organise and man the stalls.

**Wednesday 24th August 6.00 pm** - St Bartholomew's Day Service celebrating 400 years of our church being built, followed by refreshments and entertainment in the churchyard.

Notice

**We are looking for a new Egdean Organiser for the Sussex Historic Churches Trust Annual Ride and Stride**, which is held second Saturday in September. Please let Christine know if you would be interested in taking on this role.

***Christine Dallyn***

***Hon Secretary to Egdean PCC***

**‘BEATING THE BOUNDS’**

**A walk to raise funds for St Bartholomew’s Church, Egdean  
in its 400th anniversary year**

**Sunday 22nd May**

‘Beating of the Bounds’ is a tradition going back over 2,000 years, as a way of reaffirming the boundaries of a parish. The ancient parish of Egdean is a narrow strip running from the river Rother in the south, up to Flexham Park by the A272 in the north. On this perambulation we will follow the parish boundary as closely as possible. At various points you will be encouraged to beat the boundary markers (bring your own birch or willow ‘wand’ and are welcome to join in the tradition by wearing garlands of flowers!). Father Mark will join us at selected points to bless us on our way.

The walk of around 8 1/2 miles will take us through varied terrain - woods and fields, past old quarries, across streams, ditches and banks. We will rarely be on public footpaths, and will use the route as marked on old maps with permission from the landowners.

You are invited to walk the whole route, or join in for a shorter part of the walk. (The intermediate meeting points will be advised.)

The walk will start and end at Bigenor, courtesy of Edward and Linda Way (GU28 0JP). Meet at Bigenor at 8.30 am for a prompt start at 9.00 am, aiming to reach Bigenor for a simple lunch around 2.30/3.00 pm.

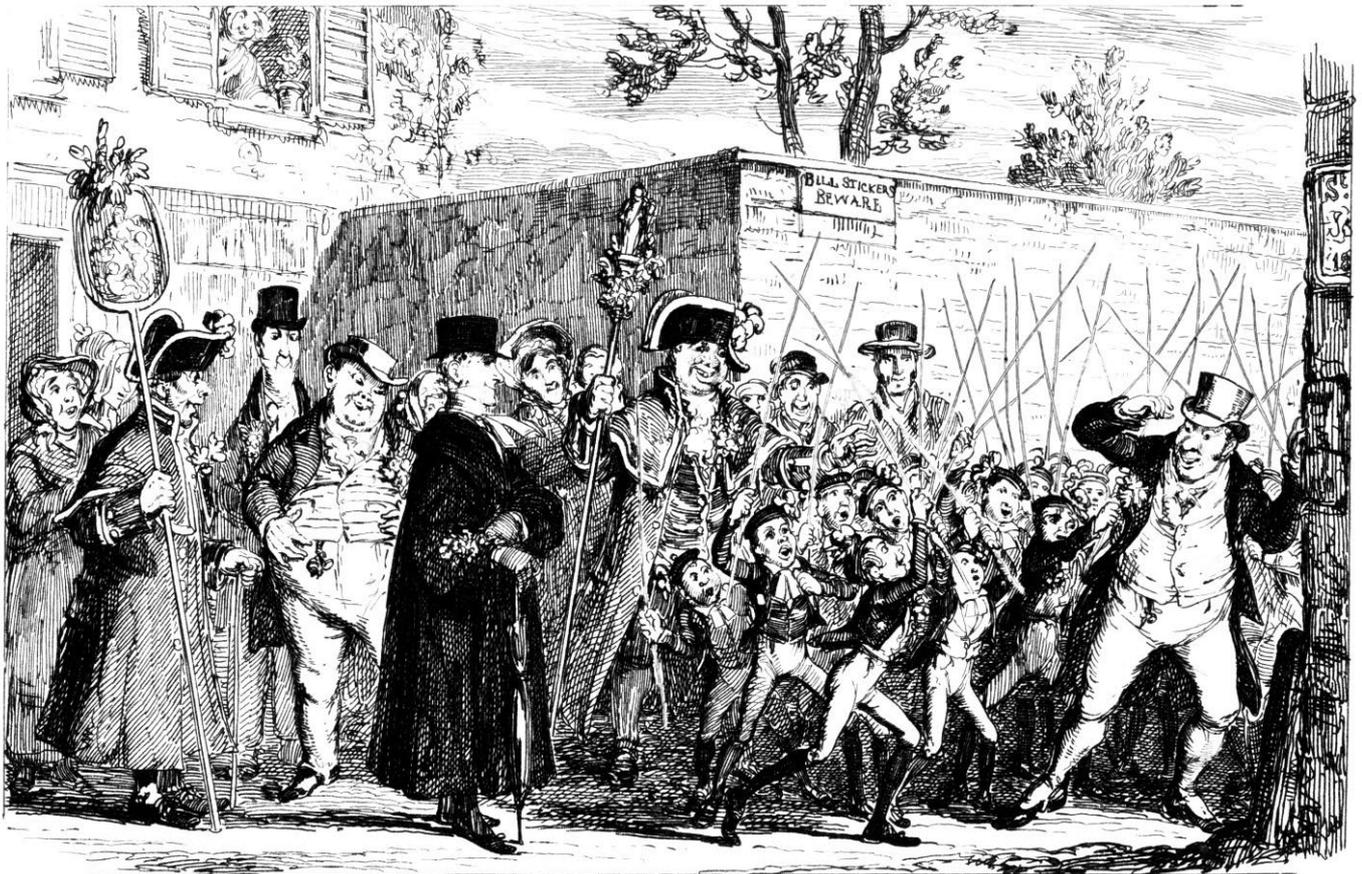
The walk will take approx 5 hours, allowing for breaks.

£15 per person, to include lunch at Bigenor (Under 12 years, £5). All proceeds to St. Bartholomew’s Church, Egdean.

Please book here: [www.kevishouse.com/beatingthebounds](http://www.kevishouse.com/beatingthebounds) by **22nd April**.

Limited numbers!

Any queries please contact Lucy or Richard Hodgson on 01798 215007 or [email lucy@kevishouse.com](mailto:lucy@kevishouse.com)



George Cruikshank

M A Y. — Beating the Bounds .

# Beating the Bounds of Egdean Parish Sunday 22 May

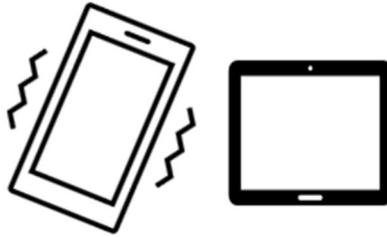
To raise funds for  
St. Bartholomew's church, Egdean

Join us to celebrate this ancient custom. Come for the whole walk of 8 1/2 miles, or join for a shorter section.

We will start at Bigenor and end there for lunch.

£15 per person (£5 children under 12). For details and to book your place: [kevishouse.com/beatingthebounds](http://kevishouse.com/beatingthebounds)  
Enquiries: 01798 215 007 or [lucy@kevishouse.com](mailto:lucy@kevishouse.com)

## FREE IT CAFÉ IN PETWORTH



For those of who have a smartphone, tablet or laptop, we know how much they can add to our lives, from keeping in touch with friends and family, organising diaries, doing research and shopping on the internet - the list is endless! But they can also bring frustration – if you want to send a photo to a friend, forward an e-mail or download an app, it is often not obvious how to do it! The Petworth Vision IT Café is here to help. Come and see us every Tuesday morning between 10.00 am and 12 noon at the URC in Damers Bridge, Petworth. Bring your smartphone, laptop or tablet along and we will do our best to help with any questions you may have, from managing your e-mails and photos to sorting data in a spreadsheet.

We also have laptops available for you to use for those tasks where a keyboard and a bigger screen will make it a lot easier.

The Café is free – and that includes tea, coffee and biscuits!

We look forward to seeing you.

Please contact **Lucy Quail** [lucypetvis@gmail.com](mailto:lucypetvis@gmail.com) for more details.

## ST MARY'S COFFEE MORNINGS

The Coffee morning on Easter Saturday 16th April raised £172.10 for Church Funds. Many thanks to all who helped, came and spent.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 14th May from 10.00 am to 12 noon, with the usual raffle, sales table and refreshments. All proceeds for the foreseeable future will go towards Church Funds.

Unless there is wedding, etc., in church the Coffee mornings take place on the 2nd Saturday in the month. If you haven't been to one, do please come along, enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and catch up with friends. We look forward to seeing you.

**Jean Huggett and Jackie Smith**

## **LORD EGREMONT TO OPEN NEW PERMISSIVE FOOTPATH SOUTH TO THE RIVER ROTHER**

On Thursday 5th May, an historic occasion will take place, claiming an unrecorded Right of Way for the people of Tillington as a new Permissive Path.

The new Permissive Footpath runs south from Tillington towards the River Rother. From the A272 crossroads, go south down Coxsland Lane, past Abbie's Tillington Stables. Then, instead of having to walk two sides of a triangle, the new Path now goes straight for 1000 metres between the reservoir and the sewage works towards the River Rother. It will legalise an unofficial footpath.

Lord Egremont has graciously agreed to cut the tape on Thursday 5th May at 2.30 pm, and everybody will be welcome.

The last time this Path was officially registered was 1901 but, significantly, was not registered in 1949 for the Definite Map of Rights of Way. Thus, this new Path is correcting this now. Thank goodness for Permissive Paths!

A Permissive Path is a legal agreement between landowners (in this case the Leconfield Estate) and the County Council to allow the public to walk on their land.

The Estate and Lord Egremont have been most co-operative and have given us a 10 Year Agreement, at the end of which it can either be renewed or the land reverts to the owners. The only restriction is that one day a year - in our case the first Monday of February - the path is out of bounds.

Please come and walk on it as it is the most pleasant way to walk to the river which is only one mile from the village. The surface is good, the path is very wide and you may hear skylarks. The large open sky is a bonus.

Please come along and support this great occasion.

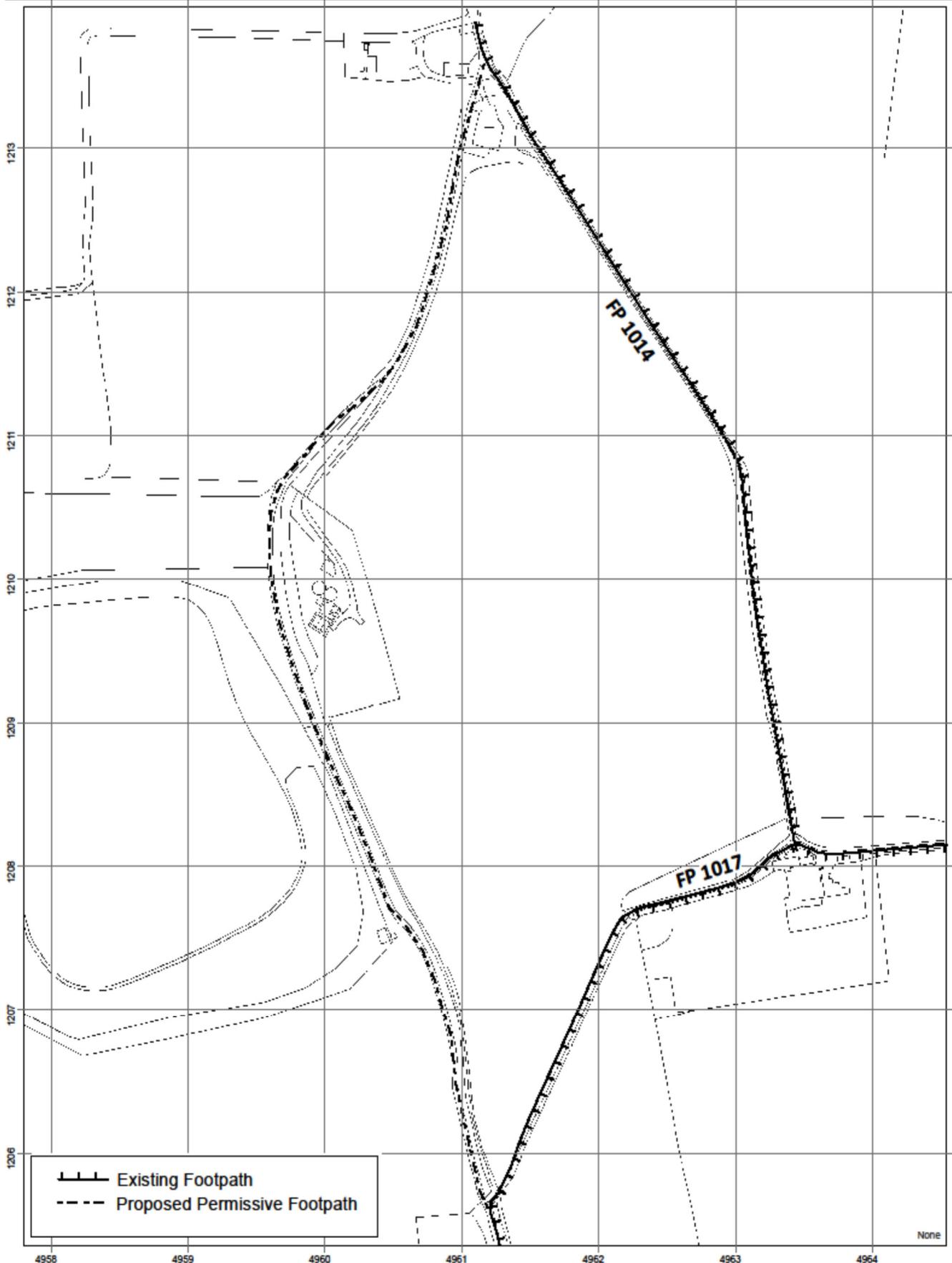
***Gerald Gresham-Cooke***

***Tillington's Footpath Warden***

### **DONATION TO ST MARY'S**

A donation has been made by Teresa Charman to St Mary's. She kindly gave the proceeds from the sale of the rings which belonged to her aunt, Jean Whitcomb, to the church. Teresa asked Anne Simmons to sell them, they realised £245.

On behalf of all at St Mary's, grateful thanks go to Teresa for donating the rings, and to Anne for selling them.



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**Tillington: Proposed Permissive Footpath - Site Plan**

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## **PETWORTH COTTAGE NURSING HOME (PCNH) Needs Your Help**

The first patient was admitted to Petworth Cottage Hospital on 20th November 1867 – a young male, aged 13 from Coates, with an injury to his pelvis from an accident and was discharged (healed) early the following February. During the first year of operation, management committee notes show that the hospital was well-supported by the local community with money and other gifts including fruit, books, wine and curiously, some calf's feet (presumably not intended for transplant purposes)! After the Second World War, the hospital was taken into the NHS as a Cottage Hospital but closed in 1969. In 1971, the premises were bought by Jeanne Courtauld and re-opened using cast-off equipment from King Edward VII Hospital.

PCNH exists today as a care home with space for 32 residents covering the spectrum of short-term, long-term, respite and palliative care of the highest standard. We function as a Charity and are non-profit making. The last two years have proved, unsurprisingly, challenging both in terms of running the home and raising funds. Suffice to say the team has risen to the challenge quite marvellously and (touch wood) its residents have remained unscathed by the wretched Covid. Indeed, we have during the pandemic assisted and supported some 40 Residents with their fees, most of whom have lived within the environs of Petworth, thereby fulfilling our responsibilities as a Charity.

The Friends of PCNH are a body of local volunteers who provide additional funds through specific events and collections. These funds contribute towards the cost of essential equipment and non-medical items to improve the comfort & well-being of the patients. Recent fund-raising has provided an interactive TV screen for patients to use, refurbishment of the resident's lounge and installation of a new medication room.

Volunteers have only recently been allowed back in to help support the regular staff with the provision of fresh flowers in public areas, morning coffee for residents and tea and cake in the afternoon. They also support in one other critical way – bringing the outside world into PCNH with news, fresh perspective, a change to daily routine and company. *We are particularly keen to welcome new volunteers now.*

If you feel that you could help as a volunteer at PCNH, or if you have limited time but would like to help financially or otherwise please do get in touch with us on 01798 342785 or by e-mail [enquiries@pcnh.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@pcnh.co.uk)

We very much hope to hear from you.

## MY WEEK AT THE SYLVIA BEAUFOY CENTRE

The Centre is a great place for me to spend time with my friends as well as learn new skills.

Last week I came to the social session on Monday evening. The session started at 6.30 pm and there was a great atmosphere. The social session gives me the chance to hang out with my friends in a safe warm space where I can choose what I want to do. Last week I started off shooting some hoops in the indoor court with a bit of company (friends and a few others I did not know but got to know!).



We then went on to play pool, table football, and Mario Kart on the Nintendo Switch. I always have a drink from the Tuck Bar and there are snacks for sale too.

On the Wednesday it was a little different. I am the Team Principal for our Greenpower teams. We have 3 electric racing cars so enter three teams into races across the country. We are currently preparing for our first race at Goodwood Motor Circuit on 8th May. We are studying the race-tracks, identifying team roles and planning for the race days. I have been part of the team for 4 years and have driven, done data analysis, catering, team manager and now Principal!

On Thursday I got off the school bus and went straight to the Centre. I was involved with some fun group activities while others were busy in a music session. From the middle of March there will also be a Voice Group starting and then, in the summer, mountain biking will take place on Thursdays too.

There are other sessions on Tuesdays, such as cooking and Evolve, and also Duke of Edinburgh on Wednesdays, but I choose the sessions that suit me!

The Centre has and still is a great place for me. Last year I achieved my Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award, and it has given support to my peers and I throughout the covid years. Anyone who isn't sure should just give a session a go....there is nothing to lose, apart from a few pennies on the tuck, hehe!

# PETWORTH FOODBANK

## **About the foodbank in our area**

Petworth Foodbank Centre, which is part of the Chichester District Foodbank (supported by the Trussell Trust), covers not only Petworth but also the surrounding local villages. The team of volunteers at Petworth collect local donations, pick up supplies from the main warehouse in Chichester, receive referrals and prepare food parcels, and deliver those food parcels to clients in our area.

## **Why do we need foodbanks?**

The Trussell Trust published its report 'The State of Hunger' in 2021 and this highlights the continuing and growing need for foodbanks. In early 2020, 95% of people referred to foodbanks were destitute meaning that they couldn't afford essentials such as food and heating. The Joseph Rowntree Foundation reports that more than one in five people in the UK are in poverty with child poverty continuing to rise (UK Poverty 2022). Their breakdown shows that 'around two-thirds (68%) of working-age people in poverty live in a household where at least one adult is in work'. The worst of the pandemic did see an increase in the number of people needing to turn to a foodbank. Unfortunately, Chichester District Foodbank figures are still higher than pre-pandemic levels and the situation will inevitably worsen this year with the hikes in energy bills as well the many other cost of living increases.

There are many reasons why people may turn to a foodbank - the sudden loss of income due to becoming ill or disabled, insecure work, job loss, divorce or bereavement, having to pay an unexpected bill that leaves no money for food, and delays and/or changes in benefits, to name a few.

The Trussell Trust website shares the experience of one woman who was working in education when she had a sudden loss of income due to a problem with her tax credits:

*I was suddenly plunged into a financial nightmare, not knowing how I was going to pay my bills, feed myself and my daughter, buy things we needed...*

*I remember sitting in the waiting room, with my daughter, waiting to be given a food parcel. I was holding back my tears not wanting my daughter to see me upset and thinking 'how has it got to this?'*

## **Accessing help and what is provided**

Food banks provide three days' worth of emergency food to those in crisis as well as signposting where people can go for further advice and help. To use a Chichester District foodbank, people first need to be referred by one of a variety of agencies/people including teachers, doctors, social workers, health visitors, churches, and the Citizens Advice Bureau.

Once a referral comes in to the foodbank, an emergency food parcel is made up - requests come in for single adults and families of different sizes so the amount of food is adjusted accordingly.

*A typical food parcel contains a minimum of three days of nutritionally balanced, non-perishable, tinned and dried foods that have been donated by the local community. A typical food parcel includes: breakfast cereal, soup, pasta, rice, pasta sauce, baked beans, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, instant mash, UHT milk, tea, or coffee, tinned dessert and biscuits.*  
(Chichester District Foodbank)

School holidays mean that children who are usually in receipt of term-time free school meals are left without that meal support. To help ameliorate the loss of those lunches, foodbanks in the Chichester District provide 'Kids Lunch Packs'. These packs provide enough food to cover a child's lunches in the Easter, Summer and Christmas holidays. Across the Chichester District last year, a total of 2,282 children were fed through the lunch pack scheme.

### **Thank you for your Petworth donations**

In the last 12 months, the donations collected at the Co-op amounted to 1091kg and donations from the primary school came to 315kg. With other donations from Petworth businesses and the Sacred Heart church amongst others, the total donations came to 1492.8kg. Those combined donations fed 50 families (approximately 200 people).



## MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE

March has been an amazingly musical month at Midhurst Rother College with rehearsals performances and enrichments of all kinds very much on the menu.

With a set of gamelans on loan from West Sussex Music and training by Inspireworks, students from Year 7-9 explored this wonderful traditional Indonesian music ensemble of percussion instruments. The word gamelan comes from the Javanese word 'gamel' which means hammer. To take full advantage of having such a wonderful resource on site, a group of eager musicians from the Rother Valley Primary Schools' spent a morning at the College learning how to play the instruments and a staff group took part in a fun enrichment session.



Students from Years 3, 4 and 5 from Rother Valley Primaries came together for the All Sing events in the MRC theatre. Each fun morning of learning new and interactive songs was attended by over 150 students and led by Katie Stevens from Easebourne Primary. The children started their morning with physical and vocal warm up exercises to promote healthy singing. They listened carefully to sing back phrases to learn a repertoire of new songs. Some songs were brought to life with energising actions and others with the use of Makaton signs to enhance the meaning of the words. Year 5 also mastered a two-part song and a three-part round! It was fantastic to bring so many children together to sing in unison again.

After a break of 2 years the Rother Valley Arts Festival returned, with schools from across the Rother Valley taking part in this wonderful event for young dancers. Schools create their pieces during after school clubs, joined together at Midhurst Rother College, and under the expert eye of Julia Edwards from Northchapel, the dancers rehearsed and then performed on stage to a full house of 300 family and friends. Funds raised from ticket sales then provide enrichment dance events for those involved.

45 GCSE music students went to London Festival Hall to take part in the London Philharmonic Orchestra's BrightSparks programme. Guided by presenter Rachel Leach, they explored a wide range of music, analysing musical elements along the way, such as form, instrumentation, melody and texture, with tips and hints to practise students' listening skills. All these skills will play an important part in their GCSE and future studies

The musical month rounded off with the ever amazing MRC Spring Concert. Playing to a packed house, over 100 students, plus several members of MRC staff performed a wide variety of dance, music and drama. The evening was a fundraiser for the Ukraine raising £580. The concert opened with the orchestra's performance of the Ukrainian National anthem and a major highlight of the concert was the orchestra's performance of Mussorgsky's Pictures Of the Exhibition and its final movement The Great Gate of Kiev. Other highlights included Will West's saxophone solo of Brazileira by Daruis Milhaud and the GCSE dance students duet Give and Take.



The College now looks forward to taking the Orchestra, Choir and Performing Arts students to Cornwall on a tour in July, where they will perform at venues such as the world famous outdoor Minnack Theatre and Truro Cathedral.

## The Arts Society West Sussex

**On Tuesday 3rd May, Alexandra Epps will give a talk on  
Peggy Guggenheim**

‘The poor little rich girl’ discovered and nurtured a new generation of artists and a new kind of art. Through collecting not only the art but the artists themselves, her life was as radical as her collection.

**On Tuesday 7th June, Justin Reay will give a talk on  
Building on Water**

**Wealth and Architecture of Venice**

Venice became rich from trade with the Byzantine Empire. The city was extended over the waters of the lagoon and the architecture of the new city reflected influences from the east.

**Talks take place at 2.00 pm in Fittleworth Village Hall RH20 1JB**

**Doors open at 1.40. Coffee and tea served afterwards**

**Non-members are welcome for £7**

**Please contact Jackie Buckler on 01903 411086**



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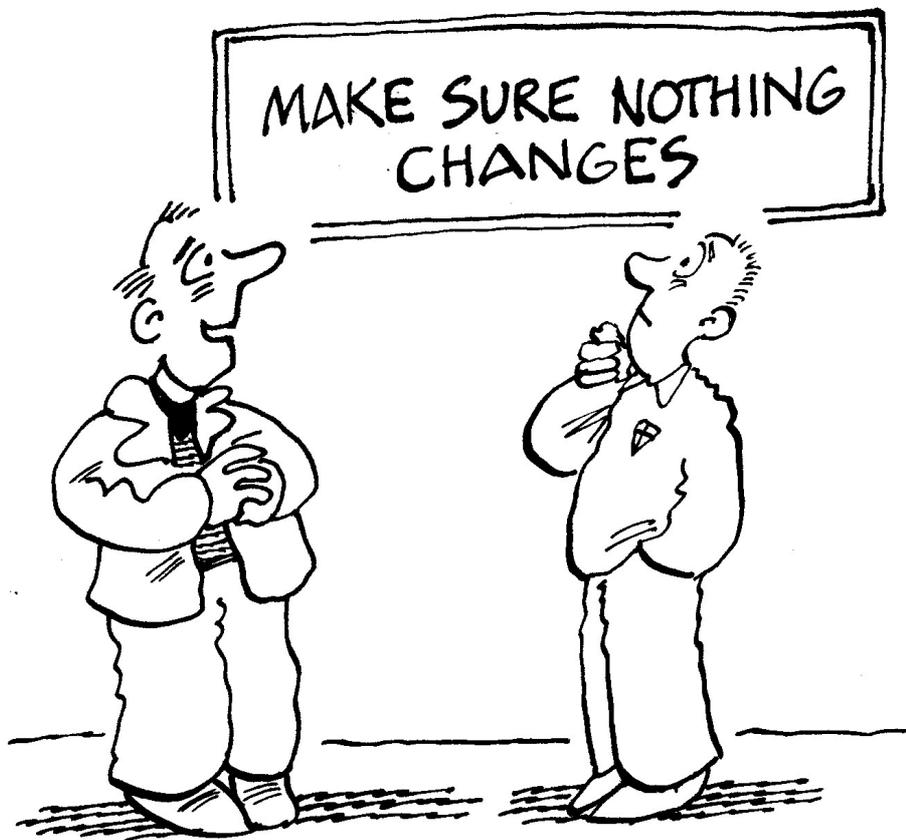


## Petworth Village Bus

The Petworth Village Minibus will be going on a shopping trip on Friday 6th May and on Friday 27th May, both to Worthing and The Trading Post at Barnham. There are also trips to the Friendship Centre (Petworth Over 60s) on Tuesday mornings and Bingo on 4th and 18th May at 2.00 pm.

Don't forget that if a group of you wants to go to the cinema, theatre or out for lunch, afternoon tea or dinner we can arrange your travel for you.

**For booking and further details please contact  
Local Organiser Caroline Stoneman on 01798 342942**



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*...it's perhaps not the most dynamic of mission statements...  
but at least it received the unanimous approval of the Church Council!*

## **FAMILY SUPPORT WORK**

Some good news, FSW has appointed one full time and six part time Practitioners to work in the Diocese starting in May. The new Practitioners will be working in the Deaneries of Battle and Bexhill, Cuckfield, Dallington, Horsham (x2), Hurst and Rotherfield. This now means we are active in 19 of the 21 deaneries in the Diocese. This continued growth is thanks to the hard work of many local fundraisers as well as some generous support from grant making charities. All of the posts are for a minimum of two years.

We are also in a position that we can offer support to Ukrainian refugee families as they arrive in the Diocese, should they need the help and support in settling into their new life in Sussex. If you become aware of a family needing support, please do contact Garton House to make a referral, with the family's agreement of course.

In March the 13 Practitioners were working hard by supporting 404 adults and 379 children with direct help. This was undertaken through 248 face to face visits and 534 phone calls and other electronic communications. From the food bank we made 176 deliveries of food support and our family grant scheme supported 6 families as well as a number of grants to help with fuel bills. We ran 34 support groups in the month and over 600 individuals attended at least one of them.

FSW is a team and as you read this and pray for our work, you too are a part of the team that sustains us and keeps us going and we are very grateful for your constant support.

Not all of our work relates to deprivation or fuel and food poverty. Our Practitioners are very skilled with lots of experience in other areas, recently one of them supported Jack, an 11 year old boy. Jack's story follows:

'Jack's mum died from cancer 8 months ago. Following her death, he moved to live with his dad in East Sussex where he has started a new school and has had to settle into a new life altogether. Jack's school asked me to offer the family some support. Jack was struggling to accept the new role his dad's partner has in their lives which was causing conflict in the family.

I met with Jack weekly in school, first building trust with him as he was very protective of his feelings about his mother. Over the next few sessions I supported Jack to explore his feelings, understand the impact of grief in his life and recognise the coping skills and support he has. At the last session Jack said he had enjoyed being able to share memories about his mum and was proud to see how well he was doing. He also said that things with his dad's partner were much better.

Jack's dad sent the following text 'I just wanted to say thank you for all you done for Jack, you really have helped him. Many thanks'.

For your prayers this month;

Family A who are struggling accessing the specialist support they need for their children as they manage their special educational needs.

The fundraising team as they start another financial year that they find the resources to support the work that they do.

For the FSW volunteers who give freely of their time to support families

All of our families that they remain safe, warm and fed through the coming month.

***Martin Auton-Lloyd FRSA***  
***CEO***

## **MAY CELEBRATION**

The Maypole is up on the village green.

Dancers move as sure-footed actors

Prepare for a difficult scene.

In and out, step the young maidens fair,

Blossoms adorn their flowing hair;

Weave patterns with coloured streamers,

Vying for the prized position –

Who will be crowned the May Queen?

Sweet songs sung by larks high in the air,

Hovering o'er the field next the Fayre.

Sparrows hop as close as they dare,

Pecking crumbs on the ground from the table.

Lords and their ladies take afternoon tea

Tucking into scones with jam and cream,

Watch the young strutters and prancers

Enjoy the fun of pagan festivities.

***Teresa Charman © 2022***

Bringing home the May was the way to begin the month.

In the old days early in the first morning of May, the hawthorn in flower,

known as the May would be brought home.

Maidens would gather dew from the flowers to wash their faces, in the belief

it would aid their beauty.

The old saying 'until May be in, button up to the chin' is just as relevant now

as it was then, as the weather has forever been contrary.

## **PETWORTH OVER 60S CENTRE**

### **The Friendship Centre**

.Don't forget to pay your annual subscription - still only £3.00. We have not asked for subs in the past two years as we were not able to offer our usual service during Covid restrictions. Please pay on your next visit to the Centre.

We are hoping to be back to our full schedule in May and are looking into having transport available on Thursdays as well as Tuesdays. We plan to make this a fun and games day - Beetle, Rummikubs, Cribbage etc. We will need more volunteers to do these extra shifts - to open up, help serve refreshments and take the money. Please contact Maureen Purser (343102).

Our Bingo sessions this month are on Wednesday 4th and Wednesday 18th April at 2.00 pm.

We are holding a Coffee Morning in the URC Hall on Saturday 21st May (this is a correction from the last magazine, apologies for the error) and would welcome any donations for the raffle, tombola and cakes and produce stalls.

We have been invited by Easebourne Ladies for a Beetle Drive on Tuesday 3rd May at 7.00 pm and transport is available.

There will be a Jubilee Tea on Monday 6th June in the Centre.

The Friendship Centre welcomes refugees from the conflict in Ukraine at any of our sessions and, if required, will open up exclusively for them on Fridays so that they can get together for mutual comfort.

**Caroline Stoneman** – House Committee Chairman (01798) 342942

### **SUSSEX WILDLIFE TRUST**

Sussex Wildlife Trust is an independent charity caring for wildlife and habitats throughout Sussex. Founded in 1961, we have worked with local people for over half a century to make Sussex richer in wildlife.

We rely on the support of our members to help protect our rich natural heritage.

Please consider supporting our work. As a member you will be invited to join Michael Blencowe on our regular wildlife walks and also enjoy free events, discounts on wildlife courses, Wildlife magazine and our Sussex guide book, Discovering Wildlife.

It's easy to join online at [sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join](https://sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join)



"It comes to something when the state of the pound is such that we *hope* to find lots of foreign coins!"



## PETWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Another incredibly busy month at Petworth CofE Primary School with such a wide variety of before and after school clubs, offered to children across the school. We have had children participating in a multitude of sporting events, which included Chichester Corporate Challenge, cross country, tag rugby and netball tournaments, tag rugby matches and several football matches. Two of our teams spent two days at Lancing Football Club participating in the Brighton Football Club's Albion Cup. Our year three/four girls' team reached the semi-final, which was a huge accomplishment considering they were playing against much larger schools. Our Dance Club entertained a large audience at MRC as part of Dance Time, which was a culmination of several weeks attending an after-school club.

In addition to these, Maple Class (year four) have continued their swimming lessons as well as visiting the British Wildlife Centre and our Beech Class (year three) have spent several afternoons at our Forest School. Our whole school attended our Easter Church Service at St Mary's Church as well as competing in an intra cross-country run. It was brilliant seeing the children challenging themselves as they ran around the school grounds several times, although we may have to work on their pacing!

I have to give huge thanks to all of our children and staff as this half-term has been extremely difficult with Covid. It is incredible what I see in the classes each day as well as the extra opportunities we offer our children.

## PETWORTH LUNCH CLUB

Petworth Lunch Club will meet on Tuesday 10th May at 12 noon in the URC Hall where the menu will be Chicken poached in Sherry with Vegetables, Brownies with Ice Cream followed by tea or coffee, all for £7.50.

Booking essential through *Caroline Stoneman (01798) 342942*

**COPY DATE FOR THE JUNE MAGAZINE  
IS  
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**Join Invicta Voices for a magical evening of choral music at Arundel Cathedral in support of two local charities.**

On Saturday 14th May at 7.30 pm, Invicta Voices, one of London's leading Capella chamber choirs, is holding a concert in the magical surroundings of Arundel Cathedral - raising funds for local homeless charity, Turning Tides and St Barnabas House.

The concert promises to be a real treat for lovers of choral music as the much-celebrated Invicta Voices will resonate around the majestic interior of Arundel Cathedral. The concert will include stunning choral works such as Eric Whitaker's '*What David Heard*' and Elgar's '*Lux Aeterna*'. The choir will be conducted by Matt Bamford, who graduated from the University of Kent and whilst studying, conducted the University of Kent Chamber Choir and was Music Director for the University of Kent Musical Theatre Society.

Under Matt's direction, Invicta has performed at numerous prestigious venues across the UK and Europe including St Martin in the Fields, Kings Place, Canterbury Cathedral, and in Leichlingen, Germany. Matt also recently launched and now conducts a community choir for St Barnabas and Chestnut Tree House.

Invicta Voices perform a vast array of vocal music, ranging from traditional choral polyphony to European premieres of new music by leading contemporary composers. The choir recently featured on a global TV/Film and social media campaign for Adidas and Real Madrid. The singers come from all walks of life; teachers, musicians, lawyers, consultants and TV producers to name just a few. Although they have a diverse range of backgrounds - everyone is united by their shared passion for music and choral singing.

Tickets are £25 and under 18's and students have a concessionary rate at £12.50. Included in the price of entry will be a complimentary drink and canapes. All proceeds will go to supporting the much-respected local charities - St Barnabas House and Turning Tides.

St Barnabas House is the adult hospice for the Worthing, Adur and Arun area, providing specialist palliative care to adults with life-limiting illnesses, both within the hospice and in the comfort of patients' homes.

Turning Tides is the largest provider of homeless support services across the county. For 30 years, they have supported thousands of people experiencing homelessness to transform their lives - to find their pathway out of homelessness.

Ruth Poyner, Head of Fundraising remarks: ‘We are absolutely delighted that such a renowned and versatile choir will be singing at such a wonderful historic landmark in aid of two local charities. We are so appreciative this event is being held to support the vital work of both St Barnabas House and Turning Tides.

At Turning Tides, we are seeing increasing numbers of people needing our support. The impact of the pandemic, soaring food and energy bills and government measures coming to an end is forcing more people onto our streets. People coming to our Community Hubs for warmth, safety and support are from all backgrounds: we know only too well how life can spiral into homelessness.

This event will not only be an amazing experience for those attending but to know the money raised will help fund such important work undertaken in our community will make it even more worthwhile.’

**Tickets cost £25** (£12.50 for under 18s) and are available at [www.invictavoices-arundel.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.invictavoices-arundel.eventbrite.co.uk)

*For further information, please contact Sarah Palmer at Turning Tides ([sarah.palmer@turning-tides.org.uk](mailto:sarah.palmer@turning-tides.org.uk)) or Jo Bacon at St Barnabas ([jo.bacon@stbh.org.uk](mailto:jo.bacon@stbh.org.uk))*

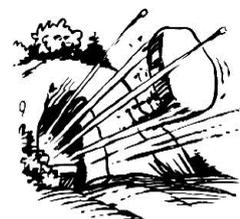


## CALENDAR AND SERVICES FOR MAY

<b>1st</b>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <i>Acts 9.1-6 [7-20], Revelation 5.11-14, John 21.1-19</i>	
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	FAMILY SERVICE (Egdean) Rogation	9.15 am
	JUBILATE EUCHARIST	10.30 am
<b>8th</b>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <i>Acts 9.36-43, Revelation 7.9-17, John 10.22-30</i>	
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	Parish Eucharist (Egdean - BCP)	9.00 am
	Parish Eucharist	10.30 am
<b>15th</b>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <i>Acts 11.1-18, Revelation 21.1-6, John 13.31-35</i>	
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	Parish Eucharist (Egdean - BCP)	9.00 am
	Parish Eucharist	10.30 am
<b>22nd</b>	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <i>Acts 16.9-15, Revelation 21.10,22 - 22.5, John 14.23-29</i>	
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	Parish Eucharist (Egdean - BCP)	9.00 am
	<b>Followed by beating of the bounds service</b>	9.45 am
	Parish Eucharist	10.30 am
<b>26th</b>	<b>ASCENSION DAY (Thursday)</b> <i>Acts 1.1-11, Psalm 47, Ephesians 1.15-23, Luke 24.44-53</i>	
	Holy Eucharist	9.00 am
	Parish Eucharist	7.00 pm
<b>29th</b>	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <i>Acts 16.16-34, Revelation 22.12-14,16,17,20,21, John 17.20-26</i>	
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	MATTINS	9.00 am
	Parish Eucharist	10.30 am

### WEEKDAY SERVICES

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>



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## Raven

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

14th May 1264. The aftermath of the battle. Two thousand corpses lie strewn on the slopes and riverbanks around Lewes. Some view this as a victory; for others this is defeat. But for a large, black bird who has calmly watched the bloodshed from the side-lines, this scene of slaughter is an all-you-can-eat buffet. Democracy never tasted so good.

Smart birds, Ravens. Way before 1264 they'd realised they needn't waste their energy killing to eat when other less intelligent species can do the dirty work for them. For centuries Ravens exploited man's enthusiasm for resolving quarrels with clubs and swords. Ravenous Ravens dined out at all the finest battlefields, burial grounds, gibbets and gallows.

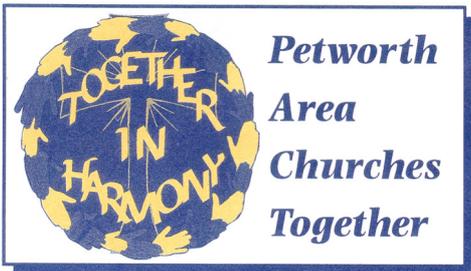


Hanging around with corpses would get anyone a bad reputation but the Raven's took on mythological proportions. Across the northern hemisphere the bird became respected and revered by many cultures as an omen of death, denizen of the afterlife, messenger of defeat. This sinister CV secured them a plethora of portentous appearances in everything from the Old Testament to Game of Thrones. The sight of a Raven struck fear in the heart of man who would dare not harm it. Today Ravens still occur in our folklore as the earthbound spirit of King Arthur, and at the Tower of London the birds are entrusted with the fate of the kingdom.

Yet aside from all the make-believe malevolent accolades bestowed on the Raven, it truly is magnificent to watch. As befits Britain's wickedest bird, the Raven certainly dresses the part in a costume of sleek, glossy black feathers, shaggy 'beard' and stout dagger beak. It commands the sky; wheeling on wide wings and uttering its guttural 'cronk cronk' call. Sometimes their behaviour is incongruous with their evil image. To see Ravens rolling and tumbling through the air during their joyous display flight is like catching the grim reaper doing the hokey-cokey.

When not busy instilling fear in the population, Ravens performed an important clean-up job ridding Britain's towns of rotting rubbish and the bird was protected by royal decree. But in the 17th century people's perceptions changed and for centuries the birds were persecuted. Ravens, and the old beliefs they represented, were exorcised from England. By 1895 they had vanished from Sussex.

But informed, tolerant attitudes have recently allowed Ravens to return. They mostly breed on our chalk cliffs and quarries but can be seen flying over our towns and cities. In our comfortable world of surround sound and selfies there is something reassuringly sinister about watching a Raven circling overhead; a spectral souvenir of our brutal, primitive past. Sussex will never again be the site of a bloody revolutionary battle. But there's no harm in a few Ravens hanging around. Just in case.



## P A C T N E W S

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### NEWS FOR MAY

**'What on Earth is God Doing?'** is the intriguing title of our Spring Lecture **Friday 6th May** at 7.30 at St Mary's Church, Petworth GU28 0AD.

Eddie Arthur MTh. PhD., Board Member of Global Connections, Wycliffe Bible Translator for over 30 years will speak. He now researches, writes and talks about future of mission.



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# THE PETWORTH FESTIVAL 2022



## Festival dates

**Wednesday 13th July - Saturday 30th July**

## It's Business as un-usual at the Petworth Festival

A superbly varied and inventive festival has been announced for Petworth and its surrounding area. In announcing a programme comprising over 45 events over 18 days, Festival Director Stewart Collins is hugely enthusiastic about the prospects for a festival that promises to build on the momentum that has been developing over recent years. 'We are absolutely putting the experience of the last two years behind us', says Collins, 'and once again bringing a range of events to Petworth and the locality that is the measure of any of the region's top celebrations of the arts and performance in all their many beautiful guises.'

Always a diverse and varied festival, the festival again sees a mix of the best in music - classical, jazz, tradition and 'world' - comedy, theatre, family entertainment and the visual arts. Top names abound across the performance genres:

Classical stars including cellist and former BBC Young Musician of the Year, **Natalie Clein** and international stars including trombonist **Christian Lindberg** and violinist **Dmitry Sitkovetsky**

Top comedians **Milton Jones** and **Henry Normal**

Rock and pop legends **Beverley Craven** and **Judy Tzuke**

A star-studded focus on two 'shape-shifting' instruments, the guitar and the piano

Young classical superstar **Sean Shibe** heads a line-up of guitarists that also includes blues legend **Dave Kelly**, Flamenco musical magician **Juan Martín**, and jazz legends **Jon Gomm** and **Antonio Forcione**; the piano line-up features the absolute top of his trade, boogie woogie maestro **Ben Waters** and a host of top classical names that includes **Steven Osborne**, **Piers Lane** and **Iain Burnside** as well as...

...**Alim Beisembayev**, a name that will new to many but a rising star amongst rising stars. Alim is the newly crowned winner of the **Leeds International Piano Competition** and this concert marks the start of a new relationship between the festival and one of the world's most prestigious platforms for classical piano.

There is much else new including environmental themed theatre and dance for the family; concerts in the classy showrooms of Fittleworth's Sofas and Stuff featuring husband and wife pairing of **Julian and Jiaxin Lloyd Webber** ('this year's most comfortable concerts anywhere' according to Stewart Collins); and special events tying in with the district wide Culture Spark a summer of activities across Chichester District. The festival's projects under this banner are

A lantern making project and parade with pupils from nine local schools in association with The Arts Society of West Sussex

A promenade theatre production of Wind in the Willows at the Coultershaw Heritage Site

A choral pilgrimage by vocal group The Gesualdo Six taking in concerts in Easebourne, Graffham and Petworth

A free family day in the Pleasure Garden of Petworth House in association with the National Trust

'I was going to say that it will be 'business as usual' at the Petworth Festival this year after the hiatus of the last two years' says Festival Director Stewart Collins 'but in fact we would never deliver a 'festival as usual' - a Petworth Festival should only ever be business as unusual... and we think that's what we have lined up for this summer.'

**Box Office open:** 13th May 2022

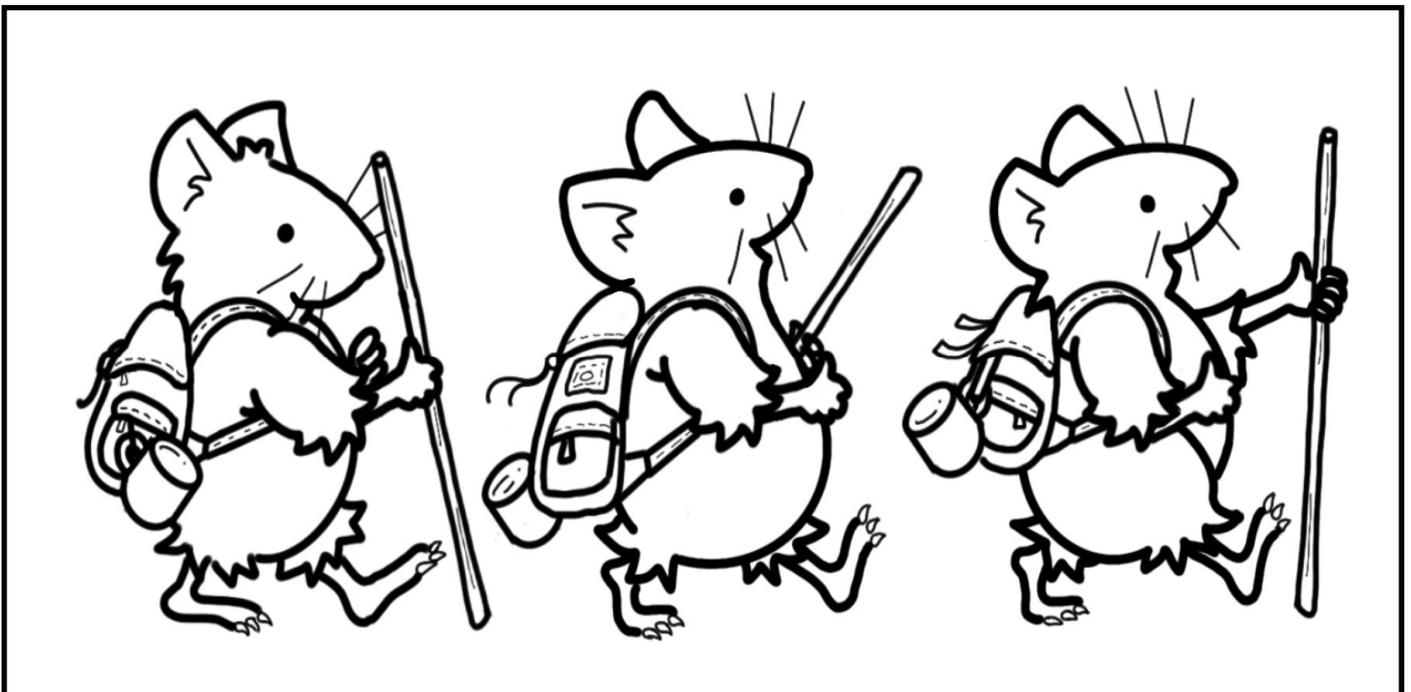
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# Petworth Festival 2022



Wednesday 13 –  
Saturday 30 July



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## Highlights include:

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# ELIJAH

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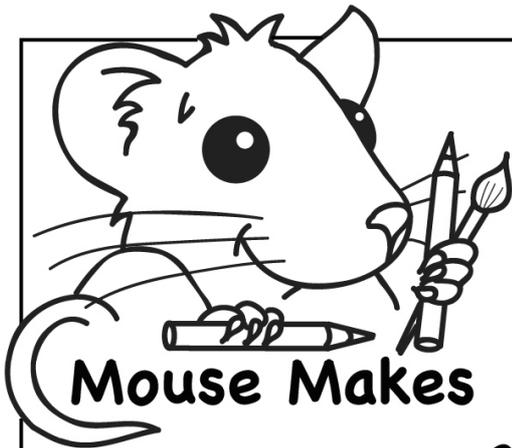
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"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love endures forever"  
Psalm 136:1



Jesus said,  
"This, then, is how you should pray:

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\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ hallowed be your

\_\_\_\_\_ your

\_\_\_\_\_ come, your \_\_\_\_\_ be done, on \_\_\_\_\_ as it

is in \_\_\_\_\_.

Give us this day our daily \_\_\_\_\_.

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\_\_\_\_\_ us our \_\_\_\_\_,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

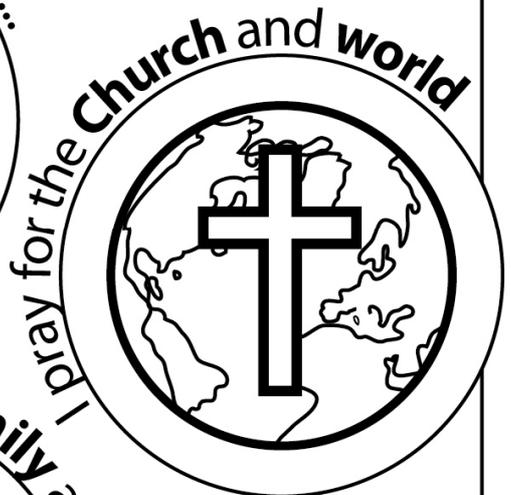
And \_\_\_\_\_

us not into temptation, but

\_\_\_\_\_ us from the

\_\_\_\_\_ one."

Read Matthew 6:9-13 to fill in the words.



"Never stop praying."  
1 Thessalonians 5:17



"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."  
Philippians 4:6

## SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. Snooker:** Which nationality was former player Tony Drago?
- 2. Darts:** Bolton used to host which PDC tournament?
- 3. Cricket:** Mohammad Rafique was a slow left arm bowler for which country?
- 4. Tennis:** How many Australian Open singles titles has Novak Djokovic won?
- 5. Football:** Which team won the Premier League in 1994/1995?
- 6. Table-Tennis:** When a game is played up to 11 points, service is changed every how many points?
- 7. WWE Wrestling:** What are the only two ways a championship can change hands in a title match, under normal rules?
- 8. Golf:** 'Miracle in Medinah' was an expression used for which golf competition?
- 9. Rugby Union:** How many points for a conversion?
- 10. Formula One:** Mark Webber is an ex F1 driver from which nation?  
*Mark Thomas*

*Answers at the back of the magazine*



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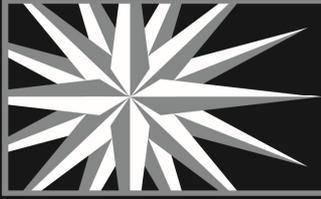
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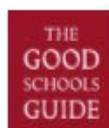


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4. Nine
5. Blackburn
6. Two points
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9. Two
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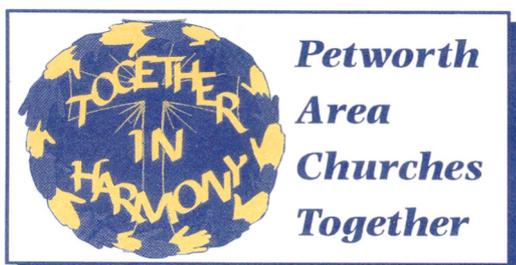
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