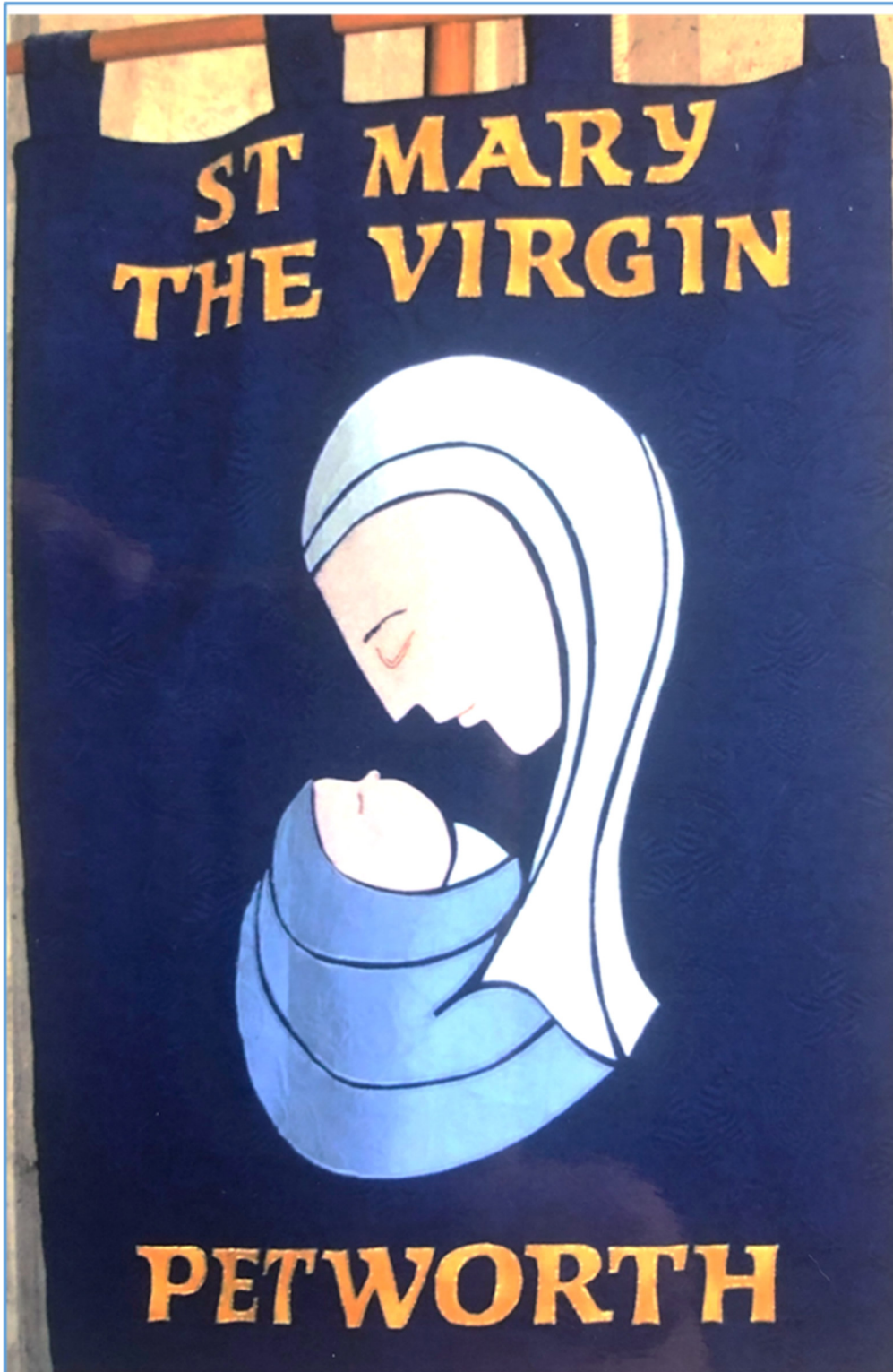


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# FROM CANON MARK GILBERT

Dear Friends



80 years ago on the 29th September a lone bomber dropped its bombs on the Boys' School.

There are still many families in Petworth who are affected by the traumatic events of that day.

One of the most moving things each year is from those who survived that day telling their stories to today's Petworth School pupils. There is nothing better than hearing those stories from those affected for all of us to understand the event.

On the 80th anniversary we are having a service in Church at 10.00 am to which all are welcome followed by the usual memorial at the graveside. Everyone is invited back to Petworth School for the tea afterwards.

For the families who have lived in Petworth all their lives this is part of their story, some of whose relatives are still pupils at the school. For those of us who have come to Petworth hearing their stories and experiences means we can keep alive for the next generation part of the history of our community.

Please do join us for this memorial event and please do be sensitive and listen to those for whom this annual event is part of their lives.

Yours in Christ

*Fr. Mark*

**OUR PATRONAL FESTIVAL  
THE BIRTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
Thursday 8th September**

The Bishop of Lewes is coming to St Mary's Church for a Confirmation service



## ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, EGDEAN

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

### **Saturday 10th September - Sussex Historic Churches Trust Annual Ride and Stride**

We are hoping to have a good turn out this year for the 'Ride and Stride' in aid of Egdean Church and the Sussex Historic Churches Fund. This fund makes grants to churches and this year we received £5,000 donation towards the repair to our chancel ceiling for which we are very grateful.

You can help by riding or walking to visit as many churches in Sussex as possible on the day and to be sponsored so much per church visited. If you cannot take part yourself we would be grateful if you could help man the church on a rota system for an hour at a time.

**Sponsorship forms are available from Christine, please let me know how many you require and I will drop them off.**

Contact: 01798 343454 or christinedallyn@hotmail.com

### **ST MARY'S AT THE FETE IN THE PARK**

It was so good to have the Fete happening this year after Covid.

St Mary's once again did craft activities for children, making flying doves and ravens, sheep and animal shaped note clips. We were joined by Family Support Work with the Teddybola and homemade crafts for sale. Kirsty Hewitt, the Support Worker for Petworth and Midhurst, was there to give information about the charity, and Judy Moorey from Wisborough Green, our Deanery Chair of FSW, looked after the Teddybola. It was great to have them with us as they were able to spend time talking with families.

I am very grateful to Brian Parr and Emma who not only transported tables and chairs, but spent the afternoon helping with the crafts. It was great having Maureen Purser, who with her long experience with Brownies and Kid's Club was a big help with the children. We were kept busy with many parents joining in with their children. There were many complements about the crafts, and we all felt that it was a very successful afternoon.

I believe that the Fete is a special community event, and it is good for St Mary's to be seen as very much part of the Petworth community.

**Jackie Smith**



PETWORTH  
VISION



## **THE FREE PETWORTH I.T. CAFÉ HAS A NEW HOME!**

The Petworth Vision I.T Café was launched in September 2021 and since then has been providing free support to anyone wanting to get the best from their smartphone, tablet or laptop. We have also helped users having issues with their e-mails, difficulties filling in on-line forms, sorting out data in spreadsheets and much else besides!

Since it was launched, the Café has met on Tuesday mornings from 10.00 am in the United Reformed Church in Petworth. From **7th September** we will be moving to a new home in the Sylvia Beaufoy Centre and meeting on Wednesday mornings instead - drop in and see us anytime between 10.00 am and noon.

Although the venue and the day will be changing, the principles underpinning the Café will not - all are welcome and the support is free. And don't forget, we have laptops available for you to use at the Café, again free of charge. Tea, coffee and biscuits are also included!

We are grateful to the URC for having been such welcoming hosts for the last 12 months and to Chichester District Council and the Sussex Community Foundation, whose support means that the Café is free to users.

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

We look forward to seeing you in our new home.

### **IT'S RIDE & STRIDE TIME AGAIN**

Yes! the second Saturday in September sees the annual event to raise cash for the Sussex Historic Churches Trust and St Mary's.

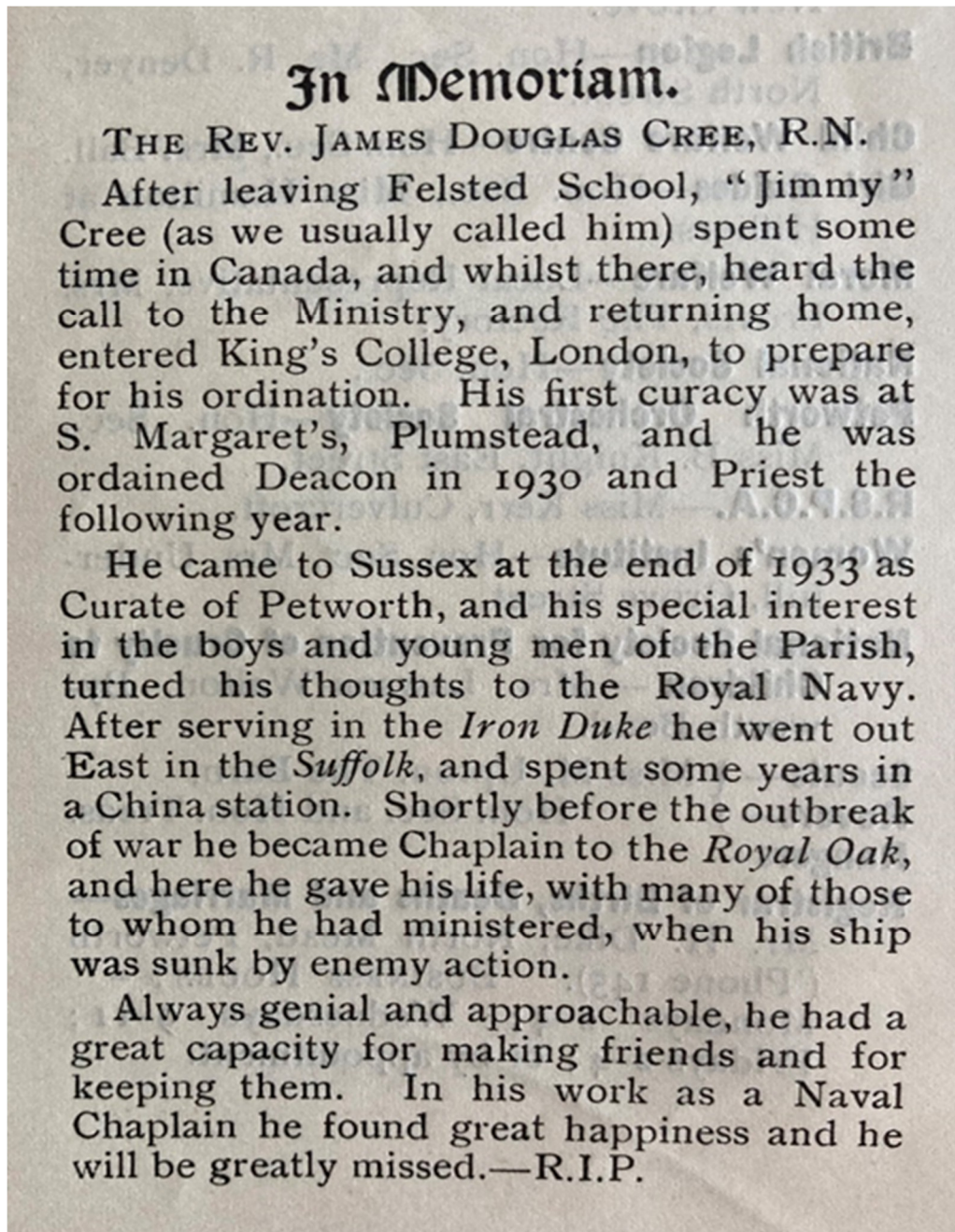
Is there anyone who could beat Vic's amazing walk around Chichester's churches when he raised £500 last year.

Details and Sponsorship forms from John Townsend.



## A SUCCESSFUL ANSWER TO AN UNUSUAL ENQUIRY!

I took a telephone call from someone, whose brother now lives in the Orkneys. His brother had become very interested in the memorial to the sinking of HMS Royal Oak by enemy action on 14th October 1939. 835 out of the ship's complement of 1,234 men and boys died as a result. Furthermore, their now deceased father had recalled that someone from St Mary's, the sexton perhaps, was one of the fatalities. I found the following article in the December 1939 edition of this Parish Magazine.



*Andrew Howard*

**COPY DATE FOR THE OCTOBER MAGAZINE  
IS  
MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER**



## **WELCOME TO COVENTRY CATHEDRAL**

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, straight, gay, questioning, well-heeled or down at heel. We especially welcome wailing babies and excited toddlers.

You're welcome here if you're just browsing, just woken up, or just out of prison. We don't care if you're more Christian than the Archbishop of Canterbury or haven't been to church since Christmas ten years ago.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome keep-fit mums, football dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegans, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems, are down in the dumps or don't like organised religion (we're not that keen on it either).

We offer a welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or are here because granny is visiting and wanted to look round. We welcome those who are inked, pierced, both or neither. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down their throats as kids, or got lost on the ring road and wound up here by mistake.

We welcome pilgrims, tourists, seekers, doubters - and especially you...

**PLEASE COME IN!**



**The notice on the previous page was sent to me by Andrew Brooke. I've reproduced the words as they are not easily readable in the original.**

***The Editor***

## **DISCOVER VOLUNTEERING AT PETWORTH HOUSE AND PARK**

Nestled in the South Downs, the National Trust's Petworth House is home to a large and varied collection from Turner paintings to sculpture by John Flaxman and carvings by Grinling Gibbons. It is surrounded by a 700-acre deer park and landscaped Pleasure Garden. Throughout the estate, both outdoors and in, there are lots of opportunities to get involved with volunteering.

### **Volunteer Recruitment Morning**

**Sunday 4th September, 11.00 am - 1.00 pm**

Come along to find out more about volunteering opportunities at Petworth House and Park this September.

- Meet and chat with current volunteers
- Learn about the wide range of roles available
- Enjoy entry to the House, Pleasure Gardens and Park

There is no need to book - simply ask our Welcome Team where to go on arrival.

### **Why volunteer at Petworth?**

There are many reasons to volunteer at Petworth from being part of a team, to meeting new people, contributing to conservation and learning something new. The best part is you can volunteer as much or as little of your time as you like, with roles to suit you.

### **Want to enquire about volunteering?**

If you'd like to volunteer at Petworth please drop in to our volunteer recruitment morning on Sunday 4th September, 11.00 am - 1.00 pm, or email us on [petworth@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:petworth@nationaltrust.org.uk) We look forward to hearing from you.



## The Arts Society West Sussex

On 6th September Andrew Prince will give a talk on  
**'From Downton to Gatsby'**

Jewellery and Fashion are often seen as two separate fields of design, but this is far from the case. Andrew guides us through the extraordinary decades and events between 1890 and 1929.

On October 4th Lucy Hughes-Hallet will talk on  
**Cleopatra 'Images of a Dream Woman'**

Cleopatra has been inspiring painters, poets and filmmakers for two millennia. This talk will show how she became a canvas onto which artists have projected their wildly differing fantasies.

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

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

**Non-members welcome for £7 (cash only please)**

**Contact Jackie Buckler on 01903 411086**

**or email [westsussex@theartsociety.org](mailto:westsussex@theartsociety.org)**

**[www.theartsocietywestsussex.org](http://www.theartsocietywestsussex.org)**

### **PETWORTH OVER 60S CENTRE The Friendship Centre**

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Sylvia Pearce (Sylv) on 9th August. She was ever present at the Centre and on the minibus and her good humour and smile will be sadly missed. She went through a lot in the past couple years and never complained. Our condolences go to her children and grandchildren (and future great grandchildren).

Easebourne Ladies group has invited us to join them for a Quiz on Tuesday 6th September at 2.00 pm. Transport will be provided and there is a list in the Centre for you to sign up on.

Our Bingo sessions this month are on Wednesday 7th and Wednesday 14th September at 2.00 pm. The minibus will be available to take you to the Centre.

As usual we have a plea for more help on the rota. May I remind members that you are all welcome to join the rota, it is not a job for just the committee.  
*Caroline Stoneman*





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## FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

What a wonderful summer we have had here at FSW, with the weather on our side for most of the events we planned. We've had so much fun with our families at our Warnham Park family day in the presence of the High Sheriff of West Sussex, and at Agmerhurst House, Ashburnham with the High Sheriff of East Sussex. Our families really enjoyed the chance to go somewhere new, have a day filled with activities and food and the chance to escape their daily struggles. We've also had a busy calendar of Open Garden events, with these nearly all over for the year, so a huge thank you to anybody who supported these by baking cakes or helping out on the day.

Our thoughts are now turning to the autumn, and the challenges that this new season will bring. With the increasing cost of living our families have been struggling already to keep afloat with essential bills as well as things like new school uniform and shoes, and as energy prices are set to rise again there is a great deal of worry about how they are going to cope. Our practitioners are doing everything they can to support them by accessing available help from other sources, and our fuel fund and foodbank remain on hand to support those who are in real need.

Harvest season will be here shortly and if you are planning on holding a Harvest festival collection for us, we would be very grateful if you could let us know as far in advance as possible so that we can plan our collection schedule with the van. We would also welcome the chance to come and speak at a service if this is appropriate, so that we can tell you even more about what we have been doing recently, so do get in touch with the office on 01273 832963 if you'd like to request a speaker.

We hope that many of you will be able to attend our AGM at Chichester Cathedral on Saturday 1st<sup>t</sup> October - it is shaping up to be quite a special day, so we would love to see as many of you as possible.

Thank you for your continued support of FSW's work.

### July's work in numbers

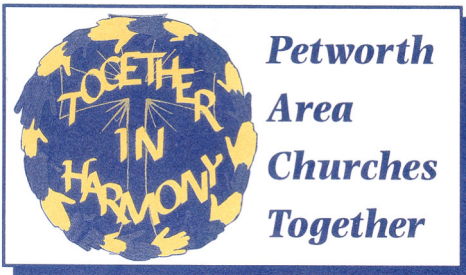
279 individual visits and 862 calls with families supporting 409 adults and 400 children  
45 supported meetings with other agencies  
37 group sessions held supporting 515 parents and 174 children  
165 food deliveries made

### Prayer points

Pray for all the children we support who are starting new schools shortly, that they will quickly settle in and make new friends

Give thanks for the generosity of several individuals across Sussex who have responded to specific requests for support for families in urgent need  
Pray for our leadership team, who have a number of important decisions to make over the coming weeks

*Nikki Kerr, FSW Director of Fundraising*



## P A C T N E W S

**Petworth Area Churches Together**  
*working together in harmony*

### NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER

During the Summer holidays, the PACT Food Bank has made a regular monthly food box (or boxes) delivery to 44 families - approximately 80 boxes per month. These provide meals for all those children who normally have free School lunches.

This is a mammoth task for our team - not just delivering, but collecting the sorted food from Chichester (up to a quarter of a ton of it per week), and also packing the boxes. As usual our volunteers have responded magnificently.

They have delivered to addresses in Petworth, as well as several villages round and about.

In July, four students and a teacher from Seaford College came and gave the premises - in the basement of the United Reformed Church (URC) in Petworth - a thorough Spring clean. They worked extremely hard, scrubbing, moving boxes and cleaning out dark corners. They were so helpful. Later on, they helped fill some boxes with food items.

We continue to be most grateful for the food donations received in the basket by the door at the Co-op in Petworth.

Advance Notice: Autumn Lecture on Friday 14th October at 7.30pm - on Supporting Refugees and Asylum Seekers by Roger Pask of the Sanctuary in Chichester.

A very topical subject considering the number of Ukrainians that have arrived locally. All will be welcome at St. Mary's Church, Petworth. More details to follow next month.

<https://petworthareachurchestogether.com/>

[PACTPetworth@gmail.com](mailto:PACTPetworth@gmail.com)



# THE ARTS SOCIETY SOUTH DOWNS

Wednesday 7th September

## **RAPHAEL - GOD AMONGST PAINTERS**

By Chantal Brotherton-Ratcliffe

Wednesday 5th October

## **CHOPIN AND THE POLISH SOUL**

By Rosamund Bartlett

Talks are in Fittleworth Village Hall, RH20 1JB  
Starting time **10.45 am**, preceded by coffee from **09.50 am**  
Members Free - Visitors £6

Further details on:

[www.theartsocietysouthdowns.org.uk](http://www.theartsocietysouthdowns.org.uk)

Or Jane Allison on Tel 01798 813314



## **Petworth Village Bus**

*Local Organiser Caroline Stoneman*

The Petworth Village Minibus will be doing a shopping trip on Friday 2nd and on Friday 16th September, both to Worthing and The Trading Post at Barnham, unless passengers would like to go somewhere else. There are also trips to the Friendship Centre (Petworth Over 60s) on Tuesday mornings and Bingo on 7th and 21st September at 2.00 pm.

Don't forget that if a group of you want 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.

The Minibus is also available for our Ukrainian visitors, particularly those who have difficulty accessing transport, for shopping or trips to the seaside. For further details please contact Eddie Boyes on 07799 653140.



**Join us for a brew to raise money for  
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**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

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Founded in 2006, Chichester Chamber Concerts has for the last fourteen years been bringing world-class artists and ensembles to the Assembly Room in Chichester's Council House for the pleasure of the music-lovers of Chichester and surrounding area.

Every month from October to March you can hear musicians who travel the world playing in the great concert halls of Vienna, New York, Berlin, Paris and London.

This year the season opens with the appearance of our new President, pianist **Simon Crawford-Phillips** with distinguished violist **Lawrence Power**; they are long-time friends and duo partners. The season continues with a concert by the **Heath Quartet** who played in Chichester to great acclaim in February 2019. Their programme will include Schubert's much-loved *Death and the Maiden Quartet*. In December we will enjoy the young Hungarian pianist **Zoltán Fejérvári**. Fejérvári was booked to play for us in December 2020 but was prevented by the Pandemic, since then he has given a highly acclaimed Wigmore Hall recital. The season continues in January with the appearance of the exciting new **Kaleidoscope Chamber Collective**, directed by pianist Tom Poster. They will present a stimulating programme of works for wind instruments, violin and piano. In February and March we have been able to rebook two programmes which were also prevented by Covid 19 in 2021: the brilliant young Armida Quartet from Berlin, and the Arcadia Quartet with pianist Katya Apekisheva.



This last concert will finish with the wonderful Brahms Piano Quintet. More information is on the CCC website: [chichesterchamberconcerts.com](http://chichesterchamberconcerts.com)

Tickets are £20, season tickets for four or six concerts are available and these offer considerable savings. Booking opens on 10th August at Chichester Festival Theatre,

by phone 01243 781312

or online at: <https://www.cft.org.uk/whats-on/chichesterchamberconcerts>

as well as in person at the box office,

Chichester Festival Theatre, Oaklands Park, Chichester, PO19 6AP.

## **FOODBANK**

### **Urgently needed items for Chichester District Foodbank (Trussell Trust)**

#### **We have again run out of some items**

The Petworth donation points are at: the 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.

Nappies sizes 5, 6 and 7 (run out)

Washing up liquid (run out)

Treats e.g chocolate bars, energy bars (run out)

Tinned fruit

Biscuits

Toothbrushes and toothpaste

Deodorant, shaving foam/gel

Tin openers

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.

## **PETWORTH LUNCH CLUB**

The Petworth Lunch Club meets on Tuesday 13th September in the URC Hall at 12 noon where we will enjoy Chicken and Bacon Casserole followed by Apple Crumble, tea or coffee. All for 7.50. Booking essential - if you need to cancel I must know by Friday 9th September otherwise any food ordered has to be paid for by the Club, and we may need to charge you for it.

*Caroline Stoneman (01798) 342942*



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For more information call

Rachael Edwards 07483 137 539

Email [timefordementia@alzheimers.org.uk](mailto:timefordementia@alzheimers.org.uk)

Twitter @Time4Dementia

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# ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

## Time for Dementia

Local families affected by dementia are being invited to take part in an award-winning programme, to help train the healthcare professionals of tomorrow and improve dementia care.

The Time for Dementia project, supported by Alzheimer's Society, pairs families affected by dementia with undergraduate students, helping to better educate them about life with dementia and the challenges that come with it. This autumn a new cohort of Brighton and Sussex Medical School medical students will be taking part and Alzheimer's Society are now seeking families in the area who would like the opportunity to make a difference to training health professionals.

Time for Dementia is a fantastic way for the next generation of healthcare professionals to gain first-hand knowledge of what it's like living with dementia.

If you would like to know more about the project, or you know someone with dementia and a family carer who would like to take part, please get in touch with us at [timefordementia@alzheimers.org.uk](mailto:timefordementia@alzheimers.org.uk) or call 07483 137539.

More information can also be found at [alzheimers.org.uk/timefordementia](http://alzheimers.org.uk/timefordementia)

## ECHOES OF SUMMER

Solstice night is now all a memory,  
Standing stone dancers have ended their revelry.  
The days were long and filled with summer;  
Picnics with wine and strawberries for supper.

The golden glow of harvest's grain,  
Makes molten contrast with oil seed's black;  
Freshly cut hay becomes soft domain  
To rest the weary worker's back.

A young lad and lass were seen out walking,  
Away to the woods! Away from the talking!  
Holidaymakers flocked outdoors,  
Plunging forth onto heathery moors.

The lesser-clad bikini birds adorned the sands,  
Watched by Grandad, feigning a cat-nap;  
While children, buckets clasped in sticky hands,  
Build sandcastles for parents, say cheese...SNAP!

*Teresa Charman©1984*



# The Fun Weekend



**3rd & 4th September 2022**

We are open from 11:30 to 4.30 on both days



A fun family day out where you can meet the rescue animals

There will be live music, an array of country craft stalls, food stalls, the animals parade, refreshments and a bar too!



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**THURSDAY  
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## WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

So here we are, this is the September issue and we're now heading into autumn after what can be described as a scorching summer, although it would have been nice to have some rain for our crops and gardens.

August is traditionally a time when Councils and Councillors are supposed to have a break, but of course the daily catch up with e-mails, etc., doesn't stop. Council Staff often take their holidays in August, so my apologies if you've written to me and not had a prompt reply. I am trying to keep up to date with queries.

**Recycling:** Good news, hard plastics can now be accepted in all but the Midhurst waste and recycling centre where there is just not have enough space for the extra bins required. Please check the website for any changes to your recycling centre, for instance, do you need to book a slot.

**Parishes:** This year has been busy and nearly back to normal in our home Parishes with Lunches, Fetes, Dog Shows and all the things that we are so used to having which Covid rather put a damper on. Of course, we mustn't forget all the wonderful Parish Jubilee celebrations in June.

**Traffic Noise:** Many of the usual problems have been affecting our villages, traffic speeding where they shouldn't be speeding, and of course the problem of vehicle noise, especially in the early morning. I know how upset residents are and many have now formed volunteer Speed Watch groups. The Police are hard pushed to be out on the roads at the times we know are the worst for these problems and I am afraid this will not be easily solved. In the meantime, I've been successful in working with Highways and getting some of worst country roads mended and improved. I am hopeful that, although you will still find potholes, the roads have improved.

**Budgets:** It's that time of the year again when we at County, District and the South Downs National Park are working on our 2023/24 budgets. It's not going to be easy, but our books must balance and we are already having member workshops to see if, as ever, things can be done differently. We have some Statutory duties and these we must do, but there are many things that both CDC and County do that are not Statutory, but appreciated in our communities. We will always see if they can be continued even if done differently. That's better than losing a Service that residents appreciate.

As ever you can contact me on [janet.dunton@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:janet.dunton@westsussex.gov.uk) or my mobile 07979 152898  
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## Great Tit by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

Just for the record; I've never trusted them. Unlike all the other familiar, friendly faces on my back garden bird table there's just something about the Great Tit that's always made me suspicious. Perhaps it's my mistrust of uniforms. The Great Tit's smart plumage with a collar, black tie and a glossy black cap makes them look too official, too authoritative. And that bright yellow chest? Far too garish for the garden.



Their behaviour isn't exactly endearing either. Great Tits are the bullies on the bird table. They'll aggressively assert their authority and violently peck at other birds as they plunder the peanuts. When a house-hunting Great Tit can't find a suitable hole to nest in, it'll simply evict a Blue Tit and move in.

Their dominance is also heard in spring when their two-note song, 'Tea-cher! Tea-cher! Tea-cher!' rings out through our woodlands. It was this 'Tea-cher!' that taught me my first lesson in bird song identification; an easily recognisable two-note war cry used to proclaim the tit's territory. But I was soon to learn that not everything was how it seemed. Each male actually has an average of four different songs, which can be sung at three different tempos. This varied repertoire is a sly Beau Geste trick employed to trick other Great Tits into thinking that a woodland is more crowded than it really is. The birds who know the most tunes secure larger territories and breed more successfully. And it's a trick that fools me each year too; if I don't recognise a bird call in the woods it's always a Great Tit.

Through aggression and deceit, these birds have successfully established an empire that spreads from England to China. And it's from the far-flung corners of this empire that we've recently received reports of some rather worrying behaviour. From Finland came news of a group of Great Tits changing their vegan diet of seeds and nuts to something much more meaty: other birds. In Hungary, scientists made the chilling discovery of a population of Great Tits which have developed a taste for the brains of hibernating bats. Sure, these are isolated incidents at the moment but with human society plunging rapidly towards the abyss and an army of Great Tits acquiring a taste for blood and brains, is it unreasonable to hypothesise a post-apocalyptic future where humans are at the mercy of plagues of zombie Great Tits? Close your windows people – they're coming for us!



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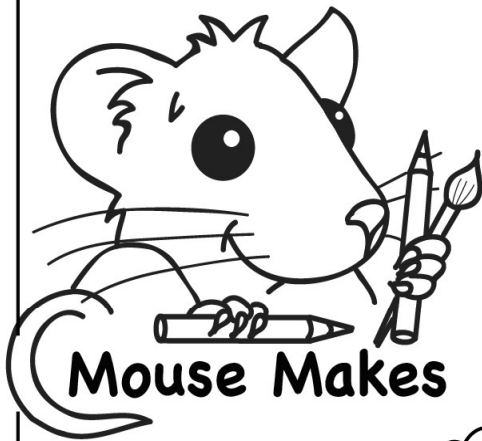
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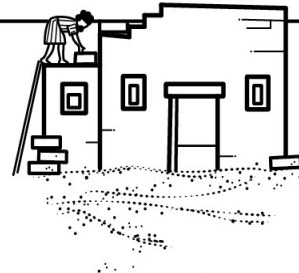
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Matthew 7:25



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Matthew 7:24

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Matthew 7:26

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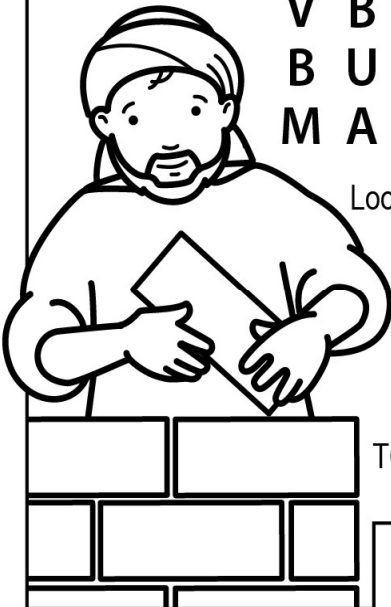
  
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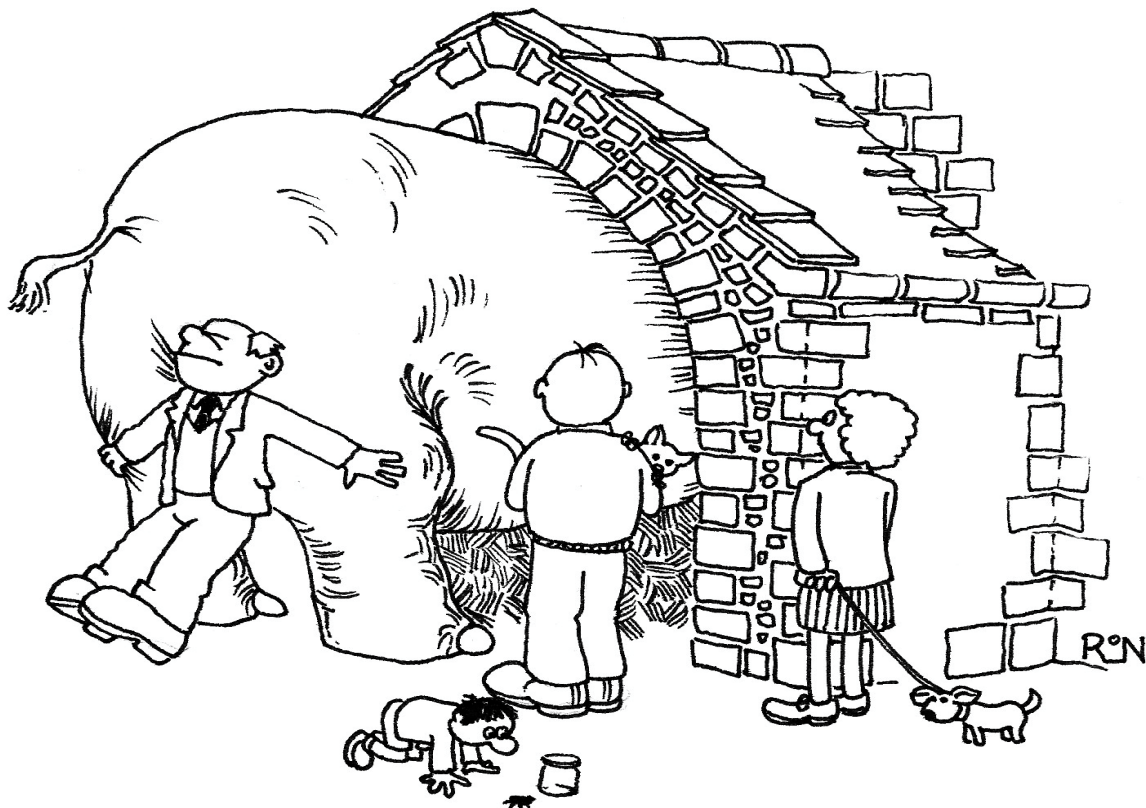
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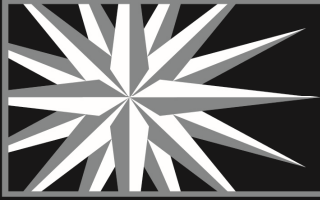
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We offer our congratulations to **SAMUEL LOUIS CAMPBELL AND NATALIE PAGE** from Camberley who were married at St Mary's on 19th August.

### A LIFE REMEMBERED

**ROGER SIDNEY WEBB** was born on 9th July 1961, his early years were lived in Dorset, but the family moved to Petworth following the appointment of his father, Gerald, as a Forestry Foreman on the Leconfield Estate.

He became well known to many as the postman covering the southern part of the town.

Roger married Penny at Coldwaltham church in October 2014, they lived at Hampers Green.

He sadly passed away on 25th July at the age of 61 years.

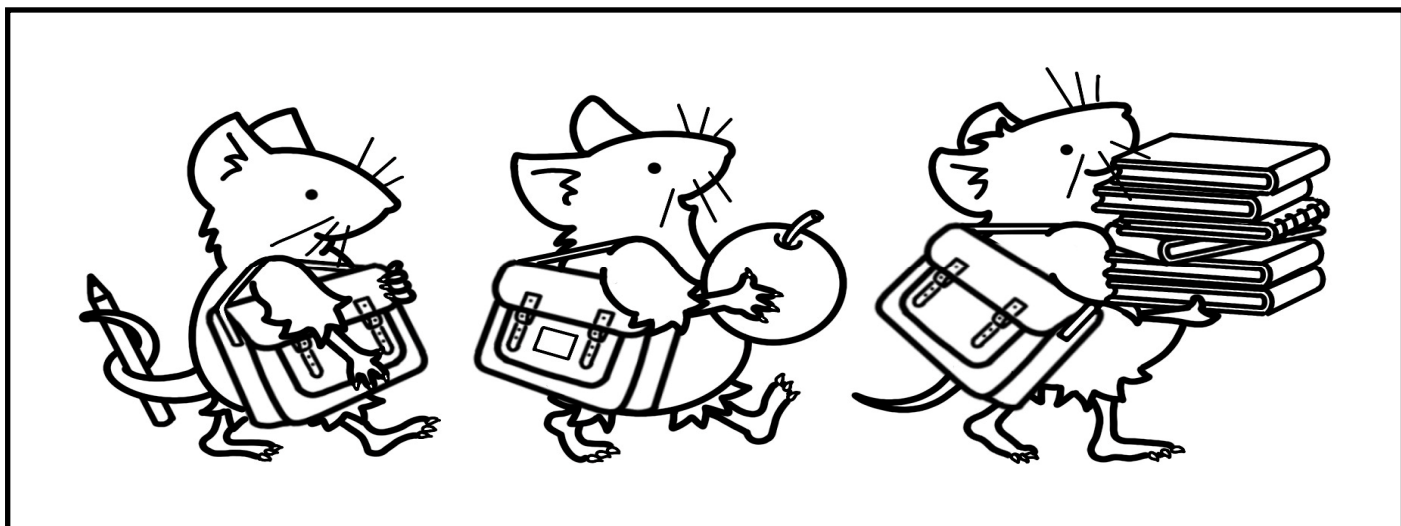
It was his wish that his funeral arrangements remained private.

There was a large congregation present for the Service of Thanksgiving for the life of **IAN REDDIE McNEIL** at St Mary's on 28th July.

Ian was born on 24th April 1935 in Ceylon, where his father was a tea planter. Following the break up of his parent's marriage he went to live in Devon and was brought up by his grandparents, forming a particular close relationship with his grandmother.

As a young man he excelled in all sports and in later life was particularly keen on golf, often playing with a group of close friends. His National Service was spent with the Gordon Highlanders. Later at Cambridge he obtained a 1st Class Degree in engineering and became an engineering consultant, which included a six year assignment with BA at Heathrow.

Despite moving to Petworth some 12 years ago Ian and Caroline were very much a part of the Tillington community. He served as Chairman of the Parish Council and worshipped at All Hallows church. He was also a leading member of the Royal British Legion.





# The Useful Numbers Page

County Councillor Janet Duncton.....	01798 344914
District Councillor Eileen Lintill.....	01798 342948
Town Council Office.....	01798 344883
Public Library.....	01798 342274
Petworth Surgery.....	01798 342248
(Out Of Hours Service).....	0300 1301313
Petworth Police Station.....	101 x 588229
Red Cross (Petworth area) .....	0800 0280831
WRVS Meals On Wheels.....	01798 343773
Citizens Advice Bureau.....	0344 4771171
Liaise @ Frontline – offer a free service for help with debts, repossessions, final demands and bailiffs.....	
ICIS – free advice for finding support and care in West Sussex .....0800 859929	
Action against Bullying – Childline.....	0800 1111
StartUp Co your local Enterprise Agency.....	0845 7827887
Sussex Pathwatch.....	0845 6070999
Traveline (for bus timetables).....	0871 2002233
Traveline (for train information).....	08457 484950
Compass Bus - Route 99 enquiries.....	01903 690025
TANDEM - hospital and surgery transport.....	03300 303962
Petworth Community Mini-Bus.....	01798 342942
Sainsbury's Free Bus [Monday only] Dep: Hampers Green 09.40 & Petworth Town Square 09.45. Dep: Sainsbury's Chichester 11.50	
Petworth Over 60s (Friendship) Centre.....	01798 342942
Petworth Lunch Club.....	01798 342942
Petworth Masonic Lodge.....	01798 343454
University of the 3rd Age.....	01403 783359
Alcoholics Anonymous.....	0845 7697555
CRUSE West Sussex (For the bereaved).....	0300 3119959
CRUSE (National Help line).....	0808 8081677
Samaritans.....	08457 116123
Relate (Marriage Guidance).....	01243 788935
Energy Watch.....	0845 9060708
GAS Emergency Freephone.....	0800 111999
Water (Midhurst & Petworth).....	0845 2720845
Electricity Emergency.....	0800 0727282

**St Mary's Church,  
Petworth**



**Coffee  
Morning**

**Saturday 10th September  
10.00 am - 12 noon**

**Bring and Buy, Raffle  
and Refreshments**

**In aid of Church Funds**

## ST BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY PATRONAL 1622-2022

Our 400-year milestone of Egdean Church had a special celebration on St Bartholomew's Day, Wednesday 24th August 2022, commencing with a choral Eucharist Service at 6.00 pm with members of St Mary's choir. Bishop Michael Langrish conducted the service with Fr Mark which made it very memorable.

After the service we all enjoyed an evening of entertainment in the churchyard by Shenanigans, a ceilidh band and caller. Everyone brought their picnic hampers and enjoyed the warm evening celebration in such a relaxed atmosphere, most of us even managed three dances after we had eaten!

*Thank you to everyone who donated towards the band, we actually recovered our costs.*



***Christine Dallyn  
Hon Secretary to Egdean PCC***