

It's Your Calling—Saturday 19th September at St. Barnabas, Joydens Wood and Saturday 14th November at St. Barnabas, Istead Rise. The day runs from 9.15 am to 3.45 pm and is free of charge.

These days are designed for anyone who is interested in looking at their gifts and where God might be calling them to use those gifts. You will have an opportunity to meet others who are on a similar journey and time to reflect together.

If you are interested in taking part in one of these days please have a word with Sue.

The Food Bank is very busy and is particularly in need of the following -

long life milk	tins of spaghetti
fruit juice	soup
squash	vegetables
biscuits	meat
cereals	fish
jam	fruit
toiletries -	sponge pudding
shampoo	
deodorant	
toothpaste	
shower gel	Can you help, please.

Open Garden at Bishopscourt, 24 St. Margaret's Road, Rochester, on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September from 1.00—5.00 pm as part of the National Garden Scheme. There will be teas, home-made cakes and a plant stall. Entry £3.00, children free.

Gluten free Communion wafers are available at every service—please have a word with the Churchwardens or Clergy if you would like to receive gluten free wafers at Communion.

Items for the news sheet should be sent to juliehill34@aol.com or left on the clip in the lobby
 Items for the website should be sent to info@christchurchgravesend.org.uk

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Merchant Navy Day
Thursday 3rd September
 at
10.45 am
 at
Bawley Bay
Royal Pier Road

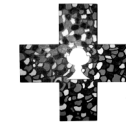


Following two evenings of prayer—for Africa and for the Middle East—the next planned is an Evening of Prayer for Europe on Wednesday 2nd September at St. George's Church, Gravesend, from 7.30—9.00 pm. The two events so far held have been not only times of worship and prayer but also of fellowship and sharing.

We look forward to seeing you.

The Pilgrim Course re-starts on Thursday 10th September, 2.00 pm at 43 Park Avenue or 7.30 pm at No 84 Tearoom and Eatery, Echo Square.
 New Members are very welcome.

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Looking Ahead

- 4th Sept 7.30 pm The Philosophy of Islam
- 6th Sept 8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am Family Communion
- 9th Sept 1.45 pm First Steps Service
- 10th Sept 2.00 pm Pilgrim Course
7.30 pm Pilgrim Course
- 12th Sept 9.30 am Working party
- 13th Sept 8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am All Age Service
6.30 pm Evensong
- 19th Sept. 7.30 pm Christian Aid Quiz
- 26th Sept Karen's ordination as Deacon
- 27th Sept Combined Service with St. Aidan's, Holy Family & St. Margaret's followed by lunch

Tuesdays	Morning Prayer	8.00 am at	St. Aidan's Church
Wednesdays	Evening Prayer	5.15 pm at	Christ Church
Thursdays	Morning Prayer	8.30 am at	Holy Family Church
Fridays	Evening Prayer	5.15 pm at	Holy Family Church

A warm welcome to any visitors worshipping with us this morning. Please make yourself known to one of the clergy or the people who greeted you at the door

MANY THANKS

Mavis and David would like to thank you all for your Good Wishes on the occasion of our 63rd Wedding



We would like to thank everyone who supported us during our walk around Kent and Sussex. Once we have collected all the sponsorship money we will let everyone know how much we have raised. We will also write an article about our trek for the next magazine.

Vena and David Croydon

It's not too late to sponsor David for Ellenor and Alzheimer and Dementia Support. David and Vena are away for a few days but you can give money to Sue Brewer.

Holy Communion

9am Monday, 7am Tuesday, 10am Wednesday, 7am Thursday, no service Friday, 8 am Saturday, 8am and 10 am Sunday

Please note that as tomorrow is a Bank Holiday, the service will be at 9.00 am

On Saturday 26th September Karen Seggie will be ordained Deacon in the Cathedral—admission by ticket only. We will let you know about our allocation and how to sign up as soon as we have details.

On Sunday 27th we will welcome Karen as Deacon at the 10.00 am service. This will be a combined service with St. Aidan's, Holy Family and St. Margaret's, Ifield.



We are anticipating that 150 plus will be at the lunch following the 10.00 am service. Ideally, we are hoping each of the four churches will be responsible for one course.

Christ Church will be providing the main course, which will be a Finger Buffet (*no knives or forks*) and suggestions include sandwiches filled rolls quiches crisps sausage rolls scotch eggs pork pies vol-au-vents pizzas cocktail sausages crudités dips chicken drumsticks/wings cherry tomatoes and salad and anything else which will enhance a Finger Buffet.

Please sign the list at the back of the church if you are able to provide any of the above. Should anybody feel unable to provide food for the buffet, they may like to make a donation so we can purchase something on their behalf.

We are hosts on this Sunday, so help will be needed to set up on the Saturday and on the Sunday to move furniture and clear up.
Thank you, Margot Edwards and Team.



SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER
at
7.30 pm
in
the Church Hall
Tickets £5.00 per person
Tables of 6-8 people

Bring your own refreshments

Raffle

To book a table—please speak to Gill Campbell, ring her on 01474 534517 or email gillandduncan@aol.com

Please come even if you are on your own and we will make up a team with others.

If you are unable to come perhaps you could donate a small prize for the raffle.



Our next **Mothers' Union Meeting is on Wednesday 2nd September at 7.30 pm at Christine's, 8 Appleshaw Close when Mike Wenban will talk about "The River"**.

Please join us for what we are sure will be an interesting evening.

Our MU Service is on Sunday 20th September at 10.00 am.

Sing for Victory—1940s Sing-along in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. Saturday 12th September from 7.00—9.00 pm in All Saints' Parish Centre, Perry Street. Tea and coffee available, bring your own food. Raffle. All proceeds to the Poppy Appeal.

Gravesend Art Group Annual Exhibition 2015

In St. Andrew's Art Centre
Royal Pier Road
From Saturday 29th August
To Sunday 6th September
29th August—5th September 10am—6pm
6th September—10am to 4pm
Admission Free

Music at St. Mary's, Higham

Jazz Evening
Saturday 5th September
at 7.30 pm

Tickets priced at £12.50 includes a drink (wine, beer or soft drink) and a light supper.

Numbers will be limited so it is essential to book in advance. To reserve - phone 01634 725018 or Email—friends@stmaryschurhigham.com

Bible Reading Notes for September to December are in the pigeon holes.

Please take your copy, place your payment in the envelope provided and put it in the collection plate.

Gravesham 50+ Forum
Wednesday 9th September
10.00 am for 10.30 am start
Masonic Hall

AGM, Men in sheds, Fashion Show organised by Bon Marche. Free Light lunch

Entry is free by bookings only—Contact Jaki Farrugia 354479. email jaki@cvsnwk.org

Ellenor Coffee Morning
on
Friday 4th September
at
10.00 am
in
The Hospice
Coldharbour Road

Please support your local Hospice.

Through a friend of Betty Martin's, we are pleased to be able to welcome Nasreen Iqbal, an educationalist from Pakistan, to Christ Church to talk about

The Philosophy of Islam
on
Friday 4th September
at
7.30 pm
in
Christ Church

So we have some idea of numbers, please sign on the list at the back of the church.

TODAY St. Aidan's Church invite you to their Patronal Festival Celebration Service at 6.30 pm. The service is followed by refreshments and they hope you will be able to join them.



On Saturday 5th September there will be a Quiz Evening at St. Aidan's.

If you are interested in making up a team please see Julie Hill today.