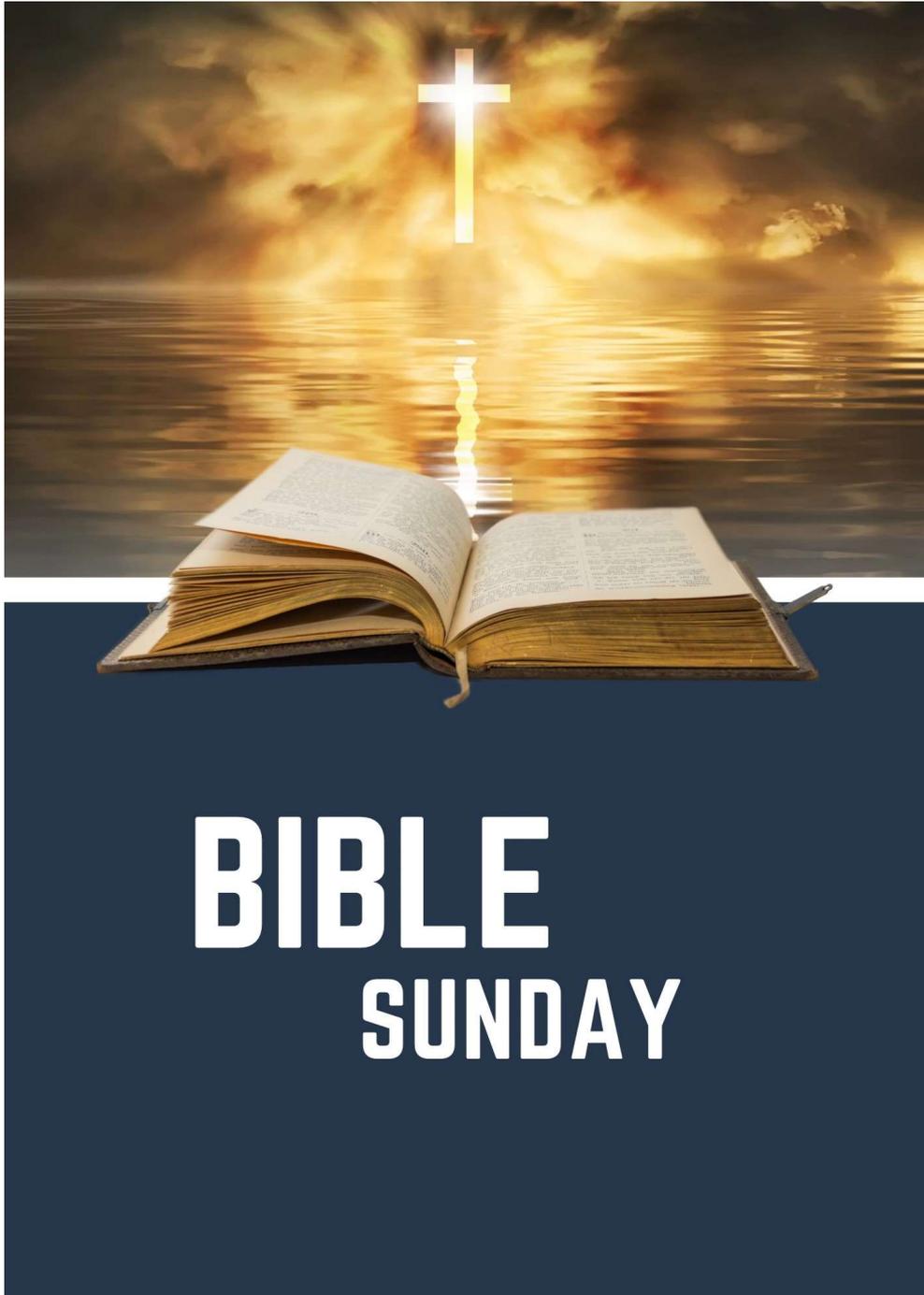


*Newsletter 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023*



St. Mary the Virgin, Hartfield  
Holy Trinity, Colemans Hatch



# Welcome to Our Services on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November

## Bible Sunday

Please bring your bibles with you to the service.

9.30am – Holy Communion at St Mary's

11am – Matins at Holy Trinity

6.30pm – Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity

## Next Week

### **Armistice Day. Saturday 11th November at 11am.**

Please do join Rev Julie Sear for a short service at the War Memorial in Hartfield. A wreath will be laid and a two-minute silence held.



### **Sunday 12th November - Remembrance**

#### **Sunday at**

#### **St Mary's at 9.45am**

The names will be read out in church and the two-minute silence held to remember those who died. At the end of the service the congregation will walk down to the war memorial with their standards to lay wreaths and crosses and hold silence.

If you are carrying a banner, standard or wreath. You will be asked to gather in the Anchor Car Park at **9.20am** before walking up to the church.

**Everyone is welcome. Please NB the change of time of the service.**

#### **Holy Trinity Remembrance Day Service**

will take place at 10.45am in church on Sunday 12th November.



### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30am – Holy Communion at St Mary's

11am – Matins at Holy Trinity

Dates for  
the Diary:

## **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30am – Morning Worship at St Mary's. With the  
Baptism of Elaine Frost.

11am – Holy Communion at Holy Trinity.

### **Confirmation Service**

Our confirmation service for our benefice will now take  
place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 3pm at St Mary's Church.

Bishop Will Hazlewood will be confirming candidates  
from both churches.

Please pray for all who are preparing to renew their  
baptism vows and declare their faith together.

Rev Julie.



### **Events for Holy Trinity**

#### **Trinity talks in Trinity Hall.**

The next Trinity talk to take place is on the 17<sup>th</sup> of November

**Speaker:** Margaret Watson

**Subject:** Harps

**Time:** From 6pm lasting about 45 mins followed by a Q&A

There will be drinks and nibbles. Donations would be appreciated  
towards the cost of refreshments.

For further details and booking information, Please see the Holy Trinity  
website or Telephone Sheila Van Maurik on 01892 770273 or Caroline  
Daszewska on 01342 321150

Next Date is:

Friday 15 Dec - Kate Bryant - Theatrical costumes

### **Scottish Dancing.**

7-10 pm, with supper interval - bring your own,  
wine provided. £5 pp

Friday 27 October

Friday 24 November

No dancing in December



we will be holding another of our amazing ART SALES, on Saturday, 18 November at [6pm](#); more details to follow, but in the meantime, we are looking for some more donations of QUALITY COLLECTABLE OBJECTS AND PICTURES. (Please contact Caroline on 0751 329 0482).



## Homegroup Supper

Our homegroups are excited to announce that on Tuesday the 28th of November, we will be hosting this year's much anticipated Homegroup Supper! This is open to anyone from St Mary's and Holy Trinity.

If you are new to the church or are thinking that you may want to join a group in the future (Or just fancy coming for a good plate of food!!), you and your family are more than welcome to attend! It will be held in St Mary's Church from 6.30pm. Our Homegroup members will be bringing a plethora of delicious culinary genius for us to enjoy - It's always fun to try and work out who made what!!

For more info, or to book your place, please email Matt at: [m.marriott@btconnect.com](mailto:m.marriott@btconnect.com) or Gill at: [gillianphilcox@gmail.com](mailto:gillianphilcox@gmail.com)

See you on the 28th!!

## Collect Prayers

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have kindled the flame of love  
in the hearts of the saints:  
grant to us the same faith and power of love,  
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,  
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

God of glory,  
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,  
that we with all creation  
may rejoice to sing your praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## **John 1: 1-14**

### The Word Became Flesh

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome<sup>[a]</sup> it.

<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. <sup>8</sup> He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

<sup>9</sup> The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. <sup>12</sup> Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— <sup>13</sup> children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

<sup>14</sup> The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

## **Nehemiah 8.1-12**

**8** <sup>1</sup> all the people came together as one in the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the teacher of the Law to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded for Israel.

<sup>2</sup> So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who were able to understand. <sup>3</sup> He read it aloud from daybreak till noon as he faced the square before the Water Gate in the presence of the men, women and others who could understand. And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

<sup>4</sup> Ezra the teacher of the Law stood on a high wooden platform built for the occasion. Beside him on his right stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiah and Maaseiah; and on his left were Pedaiah, Mishael, Malkijah, Hashum, Hashbaddanah, Zechariah and Meshullam.

<sup>5</sup> Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. <sup>6</sup> Ezra praised the LORD, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, “Amen! Amen!” Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

<sup>7</sup> The Levites—Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan and Pelaiah—instructed the people in the Law while the people were standing there. <sup>8</sup> They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear<sup>[a]</sup> and giving the meaning so that the people understood what was being read.

<sup>9</sup> Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, “This day is holy to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep.” For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law.

<sup>10</sup> Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

<sup>11</sup> The Levites calmed all the people, saying, “Be still, for this is a holy day. Do not grieve.”

<sup>12</sup> Then all the people went away to eat and drink, to send portions of food and to celebrate with great joy, because they now understood the words that had been made known to them.



## *Trinity Cafe*

In Trinity Hall, Coleman's Hatch  
From 9.30am-12pm

With tea, coffee and Homemade cakes  
Everyone is welcome.

Next dates are:

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December

(Christmas Café)

For more information, please contact:

Caroline Daszewska 01342 321150

Sheila Van Maurik 01892 770273

Eve James 07753 615032



# Church Street Community Cafe

1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 2pm - 4pm.

Homemade cake, tea, and coffee.

Everyone welcome.

Table with crafts and games for children.

## upcoming dates

Thursday 16th November

Thursday 7th December

**(Christmas Cafe with St Mary's School Choir and  
Christmas Crafts)**

Thursday 21st December

(With Carols)

For more information contact Joanne Griffin on  
07941 856715 or msjoanegriffin@gmail.com



## Websites

Please take a look at the Hartfield and Colemans hatch websites at:

[hartfieldchurch.org](http://hartfieldchurch.org) and [colemanshatchchurch.org](http://colemanshatchchurch.org)

for up-to-date information on Events and Services.

There is a **calendar** or **what's on** page which is being updated regularly.

# Children and Youth Corner

## Little Stars parent and toddler group

At St Mary's Church  
Every Monday during term time.  
from 9.15am – 10.45am  
For ages 0-5



We play, sing some songs, do a bible story.  
With snacks for the children and tea and  
coffee for the adults.

For more information or queries please contact the office at  
[admsmht@gmail.com](mailto:admsmht@gmail.com)

## CONNECT@5



Matt and the Connect team  
would like to welcome you to  
Connect@5.

We will be meeting fortnightly on  
Thursdays in the Village Hall (With  
some other adventures planned  
on the Croft),  
from 5-6:15pm.

9th November

23rd November

14th December

CHRISTMAS

For more information  
Contact Matthew Marriott at  
[m.marriott@btconnect.com](mailto:m.marriott@btconnect.com)

Hartfield Village Hall

Year 5 and up

We look forward to seeing you  
there!!!



**5pm - 6pm**  
The Oast House in the  
Anchor car park

**16th November**  
**18th January**

Connect@5Extra is a monthly meeting for our  
Connect crew.

We will be meeting at The Oast House, where  
Matt and Christina can share some food while  
we chat, read and question, while exploring  
the Christian faith together.

*Year 5 and up*

Contact Matt Marriott at  
[m.marriott@btconnect.com](mailto:m.marriott@btconnect.com)

**1st & 3rd Sundays, 9.30am**



Dates of Sunday Discoverers  
this term

**5th November**  
**19th November**  
**17th December**

*Join us for each  
Sunday  
discoverers as  
we find out  
more about  
God*

**For more information**  
**Contact Rev Julie Sear at**

**[revjuliesear1@gmail.com](mailto:revjuliesear1@gmail.com) or 01892770436**

## Sunday Discoverers

On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the  
month.

From 9.30am.

We now have 3 groups;

Sparklers,

Explorers,

And Trailblazers.

# Trailblazers

For youths aged 10+, and it is being held in the Rectory from 9.30am, for breakfast and chats, before heading back to church for communion.

Come, relax and chat as we build relationship with Jesus and each other!!

Dates are:

5<sup>th</sup> November

19<sup>th</sup> November

17<sup>th</sup> December

For more information on Trailblazers please contact Matt Marriott at [m.marriott@btconnect.com](mailto:m.marriott@btconnect.com)



If you would like to donate to the East Grinstead food bank, there are boxes in both churches.

**Please note items must be in date, not homemade and non-perishable.**

Christmas tubs of Chocolates 550/600g

Christmas chocolate selection box 145g

Kitchen Roll

Clothes washing liquid sachets

Toilet Roll

Sanitary Pads - Medium

Cup-a-Soup

For any other information please go to their website

<https://eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk>



## **This week we are praying for...**

Please pray for all who are struggling in mind, body and spirit.

Pray for our homegroups and homegroup leaders.

For peace and justice in our world. For the leaders of the nations. For our Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, our government and all who bear responsibility for our nation, for wisdom to seek first justice and peace.

For those who are unwell and undergoing tests; for Elizabeth Eggleton; Nancy Lawrence for those who have been bereaved.

For the family and friends of Jill Chalke.

A service of thanksgiving will take place in St Mary's church on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 12pm followed by a burial in the churchyard.

For our foodbanks and for Crawley open house.

Pray for Little Stars our parent and toddler group in St Mary's Church.

Pray for the people of Israel, Gaza and the West Bank. Pray for the future of the Holy Land. Pray for those who will weep, and fear, and die tonight. Lord God, we pray, by your great mercy, defend your children from all perils and dangers of this night.

Please continue to pray for the situation in Ukraine.

The advert for the House for Duty Priest at Cowden is now in the Church Times and the Diocesan Website.

Please continue to hold Cowden in your prayers. We pray for the right candidate to apply for the post.

With every blessing,

Rev Julie

[www.hartfieldchurch.org](http://www.hartfieldchurch.org) or [www.colemanshatchchurch.org](http://www.colemanshatchchurch.org)

**Deadline for next newsletter is 12pm Monday 13th November.**

If you would like something placed into the newsletter please send it to [admsmht@gmail.com](mailto:admsmht@gmail.com)