

## Update

### Sunday 12th September 2021



### This Week's Sunday Worship – 12<sup>th</sup> September

At our **8am traditional BCP Communion Service** we welcome Revd. Anne Lindsay who will be presiding and preaching.

At **10am** we gather for our first **ALL SAINTS TOGETHER** service. The service will be led by Revd Emma and Lewis Jones. This service is a great opportunity for all ages to come together to worship in a relaxed and interactive atmosphere. The service will be approx. 45 minutes long and we will be looking at Philippians 4: 4-7. At the end there will be an opportunity to stay for refreshments in our church hall. **This service will not be live-streamed.**

**ALL SAINTS  
TOGETHER  
AT 10AM**

### Baptism

At 12.00pm on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September** Revd Emma will baptise Alice. Please pray for Alice and all her family as they prepare for this important and special event.

### Next Week's Sunday Worship – 19<sup>th</sup> September

Our **8am** will be a **said, traditional BCP Communion Service**. All are welcome.

**ALL SAINTS  
KIDS  
AT 10AM**

Our **10am** will be a **COMMUNION** service with Kids at Ten, for our children aged 3-10 and our youth group for those aged 11-18. This service will be live streamed to our

**ALL SAINTS  
YOUTH  
AT 10AM**

Facebook page, and later uploaded to our website.

At **both services** Peter Mitchell, our Licensed Lay Minister, will be preaching on Mark 9: 30-37 and James 3: 13- 4: 8a.

### Looking ahead... Harvest 2021

We will hold our Harvest Service on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** when we will be collecting food and toiletry items for the Waterlooville Food Bank. Please start collecting groceries (tinned, packets etc all with long dates) and toiletries (shampoo, nappies, wipes etc) ready to bring with you that day.

## **Covid Restrictions for Public Worship**

Thank you to all who have given feedback concerning the question of how we wish to proceed as a congregation with social distancing and face masks. The churchwardens and Revd Emma have considered this carefully and decided that for now we will ***continue with social distancing***, (sitting in alternate pews) ***for both the 8am and 10am services.***

At both services ***face masks will now be optional*** – however, we will be designating a ***'safe zone' in which face masks will be required*** – for those who would prefer to sit knowing others around them are in their masks also. This seating area will be on the west side (right side as you face the altar). Seating in the middle and east side will be an area where face masks are optional.

We continue to recommend ***hand sanitising for all on arrival***, and we will ensure the building is well ventilated. The Churchwardens, Revd Emma and PCC will monitor and review our procedures as the national and local Covid situation changes and make changes accordingly.

## **Refreshments on Sunday mornings**

From **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September** we re-commenced our tea and coffee in the church hall after our 10.00am service. **We have had a good response so far to our call for help – and thank you to those who have stepped up – but to allow us to have two volunteers each week we still need more help.**

At present we have gaps on the rota and on these weeks, we will not be able to serve drinks. If you would like to help, please contact Claire Holland, who will co-ordinate a rota, on 9226 8757 or [office@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk](mailto:office@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk)



## **Home Groups**

Thank you to all those who have signed up so far for a new house group. We are currently working to get this new group set up. Anyone who is still interested please contact Revd Emma as soon as possible on 9226 2647 or email [vicar@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk](mailto:vicar@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk)

## All Saints Coffee and Chat



# ALL SAINTS COFFEE AND CHAT

**Come and join us in the Heath Room  
starting Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept. 09.30-11.30am**

**All are welcome to come and make friends,  
have a chat and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee.**

## All Saints Little Stars

It is wonderful to once again welcome little ones and their parents/carers to our Baby and Toddler Group each Friday morning. Please do be praying for this group that it might be a place of friendship and support, and for Lewis as he leads it.



**ALL SAINTS**

**Messy Church**

**WE'RE BACK!**

**18th September 2021 - 3:30-4:45pm\***  
All Saints Church Hall

***Booking essential!***

*Some things have had to change to make your experience as safe and as fabulous as we can.*

More details are available on our website  
[www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk](http://www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk)

ALL SAINTS CHURCH DENMEAD

After much thought, prayer and planning, Messy Church is returning on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September** from **3.30-4.45pm**.

Messy Church forms a significant part of our outreach to families and children and during the lockdown we have kept in touch with as many families as possible through social media and online events. But there is no substitute for families meeting together to enjoy a time of crafts, friendship, support, a church service and to share food together; so, we are taking the plunge and, Covid permitting, will be meeting next Saturday.

We have introduced a booking system to keep numbers to a safe level in terms of Covid and because at present, we have a very small team of volunteers, we cannot cater for more than 30 families. Our team is committed to making Messy Church happen and we are immensely grateful to those who have come forward, but we need more people to help.

If you are a young family with pre-school/ primary aged children and you would like to come along, please book as soon as possible via the Messy Church link on our website and we would love to welcome you.

## Mothers' Union

Our next Mothers' Union meeting is at **2pm** on **Tuesday 21st September** in the **Heath Room**. Our speaker will be Lewis Jones, the Youth and Community Leader at All Saints. You do not have to be a member to come to our meetings and we welcome men as well as women, so come and give us a try! We collect £1 towards refreshments and charity donation.

*Liz Venn on behalf of the Mothers' Union*

## Live | Pray | Serve - Autumn 2021

While considering the Diocesan [Live | Pray | Serve](#) vision process this autumn, are praying for our Diocese, that the senior leadership team, clergy and laity may have wisdom and clarity on the Dioceses' future strategy and how this relates to our financial situation and our mission imperative to reach all with the good news of Jesus.

There will be a:

- Clergy Day on September 23, to allow clergy to meet in person and to speak openly and honestly about the need for change and their reaction to the current plans;
- two Lay Conferences (one in [Portsmouth](#) and one in [Newport](#)), on the evening of September 23, for deanery lay chairs and those involved in lay ministry to also speak openly and honestly about the need for change and their reaction to the current plans;
- Deanery Conferences in October taking place in Portsmouth, Gosport, Fareham, Bishop's Waltham, Petersfield, Havant, and the Isle of Wight, that will allow PCC members, leadership teams and congregation members to continue to re-imagine church and how to live out our purpose in each local context.

## **Bereavement Support Group**

This group will be meeting on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2-4pm** and is open to anyone bereaved in our church family or wider community who would like an opportunity to meet for support and friendship. Please pray for all involved in helping and for Jeanette Power who leads the team.



# **ALL SAINTS** **BEREAVEMENT** **SUPPORT GROUP**

**The 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month (except August)  
2 - 4pm in our church hall.**

**This support group is for anyone who has lost a spouse, partner,  
friend, or family member either during lockdown,  
or in recent years.**

**This group offers the opportunity to meet others who have also  
been bereaved, and to talk, listen, share, and build new  
friendships. We always share a cuppa,  
and some yummy cakes!**

**There is no need to book –  
but if you want to find out more,  
please ring Jeanette Power on 9334 2044**

## Men's 'Welcome Back' Breakfast

We are looking forward to a Men's 'Welcome Back' breakfast together at **The White Hart on Saturday 25th September at 8.30 am**. It will be a 'full English' and we hope that many men will be able to come. The cost will be £8 payable on the day. *Early booking would be helpful please*, and at latest by Monday 20th September. It'll be good to catch up, to share news and experiences!

Please book with Don Tocher [don@donline.co.uk](mailto:don@donline.co.uk) or 07870 643 486.

**ALL SAINTS**  
**MEN'S**  
**GROUP**

## Living in Love and Faith

Along with the rest of the Church of England, we're exploring issues relating to gender, marriage, sexuality and relationships under the heading '**Living in Love and Faith**' (LLF). These issues are intrinsic to our sense of identity, but we don't always agree about them.

The national C of E wants the whole Church to participate in a process of learning and praying together, as part of discerning a way forward. It has produced a series of resources to help us to discuss these issues over the next few months, including a book, a course, videos, and podcasts. **At All Saints we will set up a short course in the New Year to look at these resources and allow for discussion, before giving feedback to the diocese.** See [portsmouth.anglican.org/LLF](http://portsmouth.anglican.org/LLF) and [churchofengland.org/LLF](http://churchofengland.org/LLF) for more details and links to all resources.

## Mission Partners update – Friends Without Borders

FWB is a local charity based in Portsmouth supporting asylum seekers and refugees who arrive on our shores. From its early days, All Saints members have supported this ministry and we remain committed to partnering with this important work.



The charity's aim is to help asylum seekers, of which there are currently about 200 in the Portsmouth area, to find jobs, fill in application forms and get accommodation to enable them to integrate into the community. For more information, please see the latest annual update now displayed on our mission board.

*Di Dey on behalf of the Mission Team*

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CHURCH  
DENMEAD



## A CONCERT BY

THE BAND OF

HER MAJESTY'S ROYAL MARINES PORTSMOUTH



**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - 7.30pm**  
**£14 per ticket**

**To purchase tickets please go to the Church Office**  
**during the following times:**

**Monday 12pm to 4pm    Tuesday 9am to 1pm**  
**Thursday 9am to 1pm    Friday 9am to 1pm**

**IN THE EVENT OF CANCELLATION DUE TO COVID**  
**ALL MONIES WILL BE RETURNED**



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