

**D**ear Friends,

September is a month that signals many new beginnings. Life settles back into a pattern and routine. The holidays, trips out and lazy days of summer are over. Children and young people return to school in new uniforms and smart shoes. The days are getting visibly shorter and suddenly there's a chill in the air that wasn't there before. Autumn is on its way!



**Here at All Saints, this September we see the start of two new things:**

**Firstly, during the Autumn Term we're going to be running a new course called 'The Bible Course' produced by the Bible Society.** If you've ever wondered what the Bible is all about, or questioned how such an old book can relate to life today then this course is for you. Over eight interactive sessions this course explores the main stories, characters and themes of the Bible, showing how they all fit together to form one incredible story of God's great love. The sessions are on Wednesday 7.15-9.30pm starting on the 11th September. You are welcome to sign up for the whole course now by contacting All Saints church office (9226 8757). Or if you'd prefer, why not come to the first session and give it a try. Then if you want, you can sign up for the rest of the course. For more information please see the flyer overleaf.

**Then secondly, the PCC at All Saints are delighted to announce the appointment of a new Youth and Family Community Leader, Lewis Jones.** Lewis, and his family, will be joining All Saints in early September. Lewis will be working 16 hours a week in the church and across the parish. Initially Lewis will be working to develop our youth group (Youth Explorers) and at Messy Church and Little Stars, helping us to maximise our links with young people and with families from the parish. Lewis will need time to settle, to get to know us as a church and community. However, I'm sure with time, as we work together there will be many new beginnings.

With love in Christ,

*Emma*

*Revd Emma Racklyeft*



# The Bible Course



The Bible Course is for everyone.

It shows how the key books, famous characters and epic events form one BIG story, from Genesis to Revelation.

The course also provides tools and skills that help to apply the Bible to everyday life.

Visit [biblesociety.org.uk/thebiblecourse](http://biblesociety.org.uk/thebiblecourse) to find out more

Come and discover more about this eight-session interactive course:

**Where:** All Saints Church - Denmead

**When:** Sep 11,18,25, Oct 9,16,23, Nov 6,20

**At:** 7:15pm to 9:30pm

For more information and to book your place, contact:

**Name:** Claire Holland

**Number:** 023 9226 8757

# All Saints Church Services

## *Sunday 1st September: 11th Sunday after Trinity*

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Parish Communion  
6.00pm Healing Service

## *Saturday 7th September*

9.30am – 1.30pm approx. Parish Prayer Walk

## *Sunday 8th September: 12th Sunday after Trinity*

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Family Praise with Baptism  
6.00pm Evensong

## *Sunday 15th September: 13th Sunday after Trinity*

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Parish Communion  
6.00pm Informal Worship

## *Saturday 21st September*

3.30-5.30pm Messy Church

## *Sunday 22nd September: 14th Sunday after Trinity*

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am All Age Communion  
6.00pm Evensong

## *Sunday 29th September: HARVEST/ Art Exhibition*

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Harvest Celebration with Holy Communion  
6.00pm Taizé

Morning Prayer is said  
Mon-Fri at 8.30am –  
everyone is most  
welcome.



The church is open  
during daylight  
hours, for private  
prayer. If you wish  
to light a candle,  
there is a candle  
stand in the chapel.

## **Next Messy Church dates: 21st September, 19th October**

For all families with pre-school/primary aged children. The whole family is welcome to Messy Church – grandparents and carers included. Join us for this fun-filled afternoon of craft, games, singing, Bible story, prayers and sharing a buffet meal together. We meet in the Church Hall from 3.30pm – 5.30pm.

Further information can be found at [www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messy-church](http://www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messy-church) or from Revd Emma Racklyeft on 023 9226 2647.



## Pastoral Care and Home Visiting

If you are lonely, sick or housebound or would just like someone to visit you for a chat and a cuppa, All Saints has a confidential Pastoral Care Team that can help.

Please phone the Church Office on 9226 8757; if the answerphone is on leave a message and we will phone you back.

*Karen Gaskin, Pastoral Care Team Leader and Revd Emma.*

## Bereavement Support

There is a monthly 'Tea and Friendship' afternoon for anyone recently bereaved. This is an informal time when people can meet others, have tea and make friends.

We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month between 2-4pm in the church hall. For more information please phone All Saints Church office 9226 8757.

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

*The Church of the Sacred Heart and St Peter the Apostle  
356 London Road, Waterlooville, Hampshire PO7 7SR*

*Parish Priest:*

*Rev Mgr Canon Jeremy Garratt  
(023) 9226 2289*

*shspa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk  
www.waterlooville-catholic.org.uk*

## Mass Times

Saturday Mass Vigil: 6.15 pm

Sunday Masses: 10.30 am

Children's Liturgy; 6.30 pm Folk  
Mass

*Please refer to Newsletter for weekday Mass times.*



# Book Review

## **‘L’ is for Lifestyle**

(Christian living that doesn't cost the earth)

### **Ruth Valerio**

At a recent PCC meeting, Revd. Emma brought this book to our attention and asked if anyone would like to read it and write a review of for the Parish Chronicle. Almost trampled in the stampede that ensued to grab the book from her hand - (umm.... a little licence with the truth here) I volunteered!

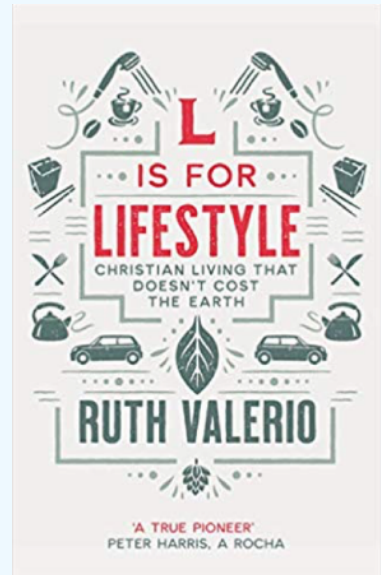
This book is based on a personal journey that the author and her family have made and indeed are still making, in order to live life more ethically and responsibly. To put it into context one synopsis on the back cover says:

*'a guide for the contemporary church that is increasingly aware that faith in the God of heaven has to affect the way we live on earth' (Shane Claiborne)*

Ruth challenges us as Christians and caretakers of God's earth, to consider making simple changes to our lives that can make a difference on a local to global scale. When we think about issues such as injustice and poverty and how we can get involved and make a difference, it can leave us somewhat overwhelmed; where do we start?

This book breaks down these issues into bite sized chunks following the letters of the alphabet, each raising our awareness of specific concerns that we should be considering with practical guidance, action points and references to websites and further reading. Interesting chapter headings such as B is for Bananas and K is for Kippers, does make the reader wonder what exactly is going to be contained in these sections and therefore encourages us to read on!

Much of what is explored in this book is nothing new, we would expect chapters on Globalisation, Stewardship and Poverty, however what is



compelling is that the 26 chapters have these themes running through them, but put into an everyday context that we can relate to. It challenges us to really consider how we can make small changes in our daily habits that can make a big difference locally and globally. As Ruth quotes in the book under A for Activist from Micah 6:8:

*He has showed you, O people, what is good,*

*And what does the Lord require of you?*

*To act justly and love mercy*

*And to walk humbly with your God.*

Here we are being reminded that we must strive for justice when we see or hear of injustice and that we should show humility and be prepared to be humbled.

My favourite chapter which I felt really spoke to me was N is for Needs. The suggestion that we could give up watching TV for a month and see if we miss it, will not be happening in my house, however some of things we should consider before going shopping did make me think. I love a bargain and will often buy something on impulse with little thought being given to whether I really need it or can make good use of it! There were a variety of action points at the end of the chapter that I thought I could consider and that I would apply when I next go shopping, whether it is for food, clothes or more expensive purchases.

So in conclusion:

- Did I enjoy reading this book? Yes.
- Did it tell me anything new? Not really.
- Will it change the way I live my life? It might.
- Was it thought provoking? Yes.

Overall, would I recommend you read it? Yes, if like me you would really like to try and make more informed decisions, be more aware of some of the injustices in the world and play my part in looking after God's wonderful creation.

**Amanda Hillyard**



Saturday 28th September, 9am – 6pm

Sunday 29th September, 10.30am – 4.30pm

All Saints' Church Hall

Admission £1.50, concessions 1.00p



[www.denmead-art.co.uk](http://www.denmead-art.co.uk)

organised by All Saints' Church

# GRAND CAKE SALE

## Refreshments and Craft Stalls



Saturday November 16th  
10am - 12 noon

All Saints Church Hall  
Denmead PO7 6NN

in aid of MU projects

**Mothers' UNION**

Many thanks to all who sponsored me on the Ride London-Surrey 100 on 4th August.

A wonderful total of £1050 was raised for the work of Mothers' Union – thank you all!

Steve Venn

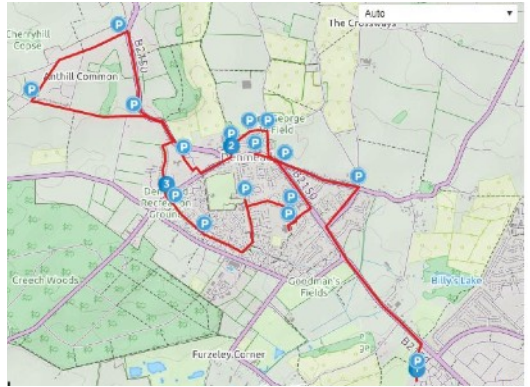


# Denmead Parish Prayer Walk

Saturday 7th September 2019

On Saturday 7th September I invite you to join with me in walking a 6.1-mile route around the village of Denmead praying for the community and surrounding areas and asking for God's blessing on our homes, shops, schools, businesses etc.

The walk will be in 3 stages. Please do join in for all the walk if you are able, or you are most welcome to come and go at each stage along the route (Point 1, 2 and 3 on map above)



**STAGE 1 - The walk will start at 9.30am at the car park entrance to Wellington Vale Care Home, Darnel Rd, Denmead, Waterlooville PO7 7TH (Point 1)**

From this starting point we will be praying for the newer homes/families at the edge of our village. We will walk to the top of Darnel Rd, then turn left along Hambledon Rd. We will then turn right up Mill Rd to the crossroads. Here we look out towards many of the farms that surround our village and towards Lovedean/Cowplain. We will then head down Anmore Rd, past the new housing development, and then turn right onto Kidmore Lane. Our route will take us past the Scout Hut, past the Cemetery and then back down Park Rd towards the Health Centre.

**STAGE 2 - Starting at 10.50 am Denmead Health Centre Car park, Hambledon Rd, PO7 6NR. (Point 2)**

Starting from the Health Centre car park we will cut across the village green, a short distance down Southwick Rd before cutting back up St George's Rd and Green Lane towards Hambledon Rd. We will continue up the Hambledon Rd for some distance, before turning left into Uplands Rd. Here we will pause as we face out towards Hambledon. We then continue along Uplands Rd, left onto Upper Crabbick Lane, and left onto School Lane. Our route will take us past the Community Centre and Parish Council Offices. We will then journey a short distance back down the Hambledon Rd, before cutting through Mason's Walk and Harvest Rd towards the Harvest Home pub. Here we can stop for a cold drink/toilet break at the pub.



### **STAGE 3 Beginning at 12.30pm Harvest Home Public House, Southwick Rd, PO7 6LB (Point 3)**

From the Harvest Home Public House, we travel through the Greenways footpaths back through a large residential area. We will turn left towards the King George Playing fields. The route will then take us across Bere Rd towards the Junior and Infant schools. Finally, we travel left again along the Hambledon Rd towards the village shops, before ending at All Saints at approximately 1.15/1.30pm.

You'll notice on the map that there are lots of 'P' points. These are an indication of places along the route where we will pause and pray. There will be opportunity to follow some written prayers (which I will bring), but also to pray extempore should you wish.

**I'm really looking forward to this day of prayer for our community. It will go ahead, whatever the weather, so please dress appropriately and wear sensible shoes/boots! You may also want to bring a small snack/drink to keep you going along the way...**

With every blessing, *Emma (Vicar at All Saints)*



## **From the Registers**

### **Baptisms**

Sunday 8th September

Ralph Pisani

### **Weddings**

Friday 9th August

Joanne Bunch and Benjamin Dibley

Saturday 24th August

Hannah Ahearn and Robert McDermott

# Teddy Bears Picnic!

Over 100 adults and children (plus Teddies!) gathered together at All Saints, Denmead on Sunday 4th August for a fun-filled Teddy Bears' Picnic.

For a third year running it was our great joy to welcome families from across Denmead village to come and share an afternoon of crafts, singing, cream! The picnic



party games, face painting, bubbles, picnic food and ice brought together families from Messy Church, Little Stars (our Baby and Toddler group) and those whose children have been baptised

at All Saints in recent years. Everyone brought their favourite teddy or cuddly toy to join in the games.



Everyone really enjoyed the afternoon — the weather was just right, not too sunny but warm enough to be outside, the teddy bears were well behaved, and much fun was had by all.

*Revd Emma*



*'Great fun, wonderful food, amazing activities - my children loved it and didn't want to go home. Big thumbs up!'* Anna, mum of three.



*'Thank you for a really lovely afternoon.'* Rachel.

# The Church Under The Stairs

News from CMS, one of our Mission Partners at All Saints.

A church has started meeting under a staircase in a remote area of Nepal, according to Nepali local partners who are involved in leadership training.

They write, "This area is difficult and often hostile to the Gospel but the Lord touched our hearts to train indigenous leaders and to help them start a fellowship there."

The couple describe this district as one of the least reached with the gospel: "We don't see a Christian or church in 99.5 per cent of the villages."

Two of the few local Christians were trained by our local partners to start a small church, but unsurprisingly finding a place to meet proved difficult.

"One of the church planters was kicked out of his community for being a Christian. When we looked for a place, even just a house, nobody would help us for fear of being excommunicated, too.

"We finally found a staircase to meet under. The Lord has been bringing people slowly; today eight people gather there weekly."

Another small church has started elsewhere in the district.

This couple continue to also reach out to the Mushar community, who are considered untouchable: "They are the poorest of poor people in a rather poor land. We have started a literacy programme for women and a free learning centre for children, as they cannot attend school. The Lord has been gracious in using our team."

These local partners are sent by Asia-CMS and a local Christian organisation and jointly supported by Church Mission Society and Asia-CMS.

*You can help support inspiring locally led mission like this: [churchmissionsociety.org/local](http://churchmissionsociety.org/local)*



## *Forthcoming Events at the*

# Denmead Community Centre

## Denmead Film Night

**Saturday 28th September 7.30pm - Fisherman's Friends** is a 2019 biographical comedy-drama based on a true story about Port Isaac's Fisherman's Friends, a group of Cornish fishermen from Port Isaac who were signed by Universal Records and achieved a top 10 hit with their debut album of traditional sea shanties.[1]

The film stars an ensembled cast headed by Daniel Mays, James Purefoy and Tuppence Middleton about a fast living, cynical London music executive who reluctantly heads to Cornwall on a colleague's stag weekend where he's pranked by his boss into trying to sign a group of shanty-singing fishermen. He becomes the ultimate 'fish out of water' struggling to gain the respect or enthusiasm of the unlikely boy band who value friendship and community over fame and fortune. Attempting to overcome the fishermen's scepticism about the music business, he finds himself drawn into the community, has his integrity tested and ultimately is shown the meaning of loyalty, love and friendship. This forces him to re-evaluate what really matters in life; ultimately giving him the chance of a different kind of success.

**Citizens Advice** – Need free confidential advice? Just drop into the Centre between 90.30 and 11.30 on any given Tuesday – no appointment necessary.

*If you would like to receive our electronic newsletter detailing the events and activities held at the Community Centre, just visit our website [www.denmeadca.com](http://www.denmeadca.com) and click "join the email list".*

*Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty.*

*Education is what is left over when you subtract what you have forgotten from what you have learned.*

## Winter Walks

The evening walks during the summer attracted around thirty each Tuesday and it was nice to welcome a number of new walkers to the group. Only one walk had to be called off due to very heavy rain with all the others being completed from local pubs in Denmead and Hambledon to those further afield including routes from Soberton Heath and Rowlands Castle. The group who undertook a route up to the Nelson monument from Southwick is pictured below.

Our focus is now on winter walks which take place on the last Saturday of each month from September to April, the first being from the Harvest Home on 28th September; this takes in the Denmead Millennium Trail with a bit added on! Starting and finishing at the pub this is a long walk of just under 8 miles with the route following the established well-marked local trail, however there is an

extension to the east of the village from Shrover Cottage to the outskirts of Wecock Farm and the Berg Estate before the return leg via Wellington Park, Furzeley Golf Club and Creech Woods.



The terrain is generally quite flat but there is the opportunity for anyone to take a shorter alternative route should they feel not quite up to completing the full circuit. Walkers are asked to meet at the Harvest Home by 9.45am on the day of the walk as there is the opportunity to pre-book lunch which will enjoy on our return around 1pm.

For a detailed preview of the walk or any further information on this or other walks planned over the coming months please email me at [martinlewis20@hotmail.com](mailto:martinlewis20@hotmail.com)



## Denmead Afternoon Women's Institute

As is usual the institute did not hold a monthly meeting in August

At the end of July we provided afternoon tea for the Winchester Hard of Hearing group at the Community Centre and whilst waiting for them to arrive watched a lovely young fawn wandering in the grounds before disappearing through the hedge.

A group of members visited Stansted House Pavilion for afternoon tea. We were joined by a rather persistent wasp attracted by the jam but this did not stop us enjoying our tea. The weather was fine and enabled us to sit outside after tea and enjoy the lovely surroundings. Visits like this give members an opportunity to chat to and get to know each other better as there is not usually time during the monthly meetings.

We have continued our monthly lunch dates with the next lunch on Tuesday 10th of the month at the White Hart at 12noon.

Our meeting this month will include a talk by Dan Allen entitled "What did you do in the War, Granny" about women in the army in World War I. The competition is for a Wartime item.

*Joan Downing (9226 5458)*

We invite all ladies to our meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month from 2 to 4pm in the Memorial Hall, Hambledon Road. We have talks and demonstrations on a wide range of subjects so there is something to suit all tastes and interests. If you have recently retired or moved to the village the WI is the ideal way to make new friends or renew old friendships as well as learning new skills. We sit informally around small tables not in formal rows and introduce you to other members so you will not feel alone.

You are welcome to come as a visitor to "try us out" or if a particular subject is of interest to you.

Contrary to popular belief we are a group of ladies with a young outlook who do more than sing Jerusalem and make jam. We meet monthly for lunch, take part in the county darts, skittles, and quiz and attend the Group Meetings. Members attend the twice yearly County meeting which includes a well known guest speaker.

If you are unable to attend an afternoon meeting the Evening Institute would welcome you to their meetings at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday (except December when they meet on the second Wednesday.)

## Cycle – and be well

Dr Tom Porter, a consultant in public health medicine, is urging people to cycle more. “It is a fantastic form of physical activity and riding your bike is one of the easiest ways to reduce your risk of ill health while building your cardiovascular fitness. It’s also great for improving mental well-being too.

“Not only can cycling to work reduce your risk of death from heart disease by 52 per cent, but it’s also a great way to get around the city without using your car, making it good for both you and the environment.”

## Give nature two hours a week

If you want to improve your health and higher psychological well-being, spend at least 120 minutes a week in a park, woodland, country park, beach or elsewhere in nature.

Recent research at Exeter University found that people who spend at least two hours a week walking among trees, listening to birdsong, and engaging with nature have lower stress and blood pressure. The study was published in the journal *Scientific Reports*.

## Blinded by the light?

Are you increasingly blinded by headlight glare? The rise in popularity of the ‘Chelsea Tractors’ and SUVs on our roads is not helping the problem. In fact, more than half of us are finding that the problem is worse than even a year ago.

A survey by the RAC has found that more than half of us have been temporarily blinded on the road by the higher beams of SUVs. And 90 per cent of us have been dazzled by the headlights of an oncoming vehicle.

It can be dangerous. Government figures show that around 300 accidents are caused every year by, or in part by, being dazzled.

The problem is caused by a number of factors; SUVs are higher than cars, and so their headlights shine straight into the mirrors of the drivers in front. Also, modern car headlights are very bright: the xenon lights, give off a bluer glow, while the LED lamps often dazzle.

## Probus Club



Waterlooville Probus Club provides a meeting place for retired or semi-retired, professional or business, ladies and gentlemen. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 'The Hampshire Hog', Gravel Hill, Clanfield, PO8 0QD.

The next meeting will be held on the 10th of September from 12.00 noon to 3.00 pm. We meet for a drink and a chat with fellow members, and after a 2-course lunch, our guest speaker, Prof. Mike Whittle, will give a presentation entitled 'Sky Lab'.

If you would like further information on the Probus Club, please contact our Secretary, Peter Quine, on 079 2662 0530 or by e-mail to [peterpia1989@outlook.com](mailto:peterpia1989@outlook.com), or visit our website at <https://probusclub.net/waterlooville/>

## Useful Local Contact Numbers

Health Centre: 023 9223 9630

The Registrar of Births and Deaths: Appointments Only. Telephone: (01489) 894044

General Visiting, and Help in Bereavement – please contact Church Office: 9226 8757

Age Concern Hampshire, Village Agent: Lin Powell  
07791 012 304

Denmead Community Care Group: (COMMUNICARE) 023 9223 9630



Denmead Community Centre: 9225 6132

9am - 3pm, Monday-Friday

Memorial Hall Bookings:

Mrs S Thomas, 9235 5993

Police Contact No: 08450 45 45 45

Burial Ground enquiries: 9224 7947

Denmead Parish Council: 9224 7947

Winchester City Council 01962 840222