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**Christ Church Hall is available for hire**  
**Contact Rachel Pace**  
**01474 249508 or 07960 024917**  
**Well equipped, very suitable for meetings and childrens parties**

## Who's Who at Christ Church

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

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# Annual attendance stats released

The Church of England has released its annual statistics for 2012.

Overall in 2012, on average 1.05m people attended Church of England churches each week showing no significant change over the past decade. Figures for all age average weekly attendance show around one in five churches growing, and just over this number declining with 57% remaining stable.

In 2012 the Church of England conducted more than 356,000 services of baptism, wedding and funerals at an average of about 6,700 each week - almost 1,000 per day - marking the rites of passage in people's lives in communities across the country. Last year the Church of England baptised almost 140,000 people (2,700 per week), performing around 56,000 marriages in (1000 per week) and

conducted 160,000 funerals (3,000 per week).

The 2012 figures also show that more than 100,000 young people aged 11 to 25 attended activities connected to the Church in 2012. Around 28,000 adults work voluntarily with young people aged 11-17 and around 2,000 are employed to do.

## OASIS BOOKSHOP

**Emmanuel Baptist Church**

**Windmill St Gravesend**

**01474 568498**

**oasisebc@hotmail.com**

Come and browse

Mon-Fri 10.00 - 14.00

Saturday 10.00 - 13.00

**BOOKS AND CARDS \* MUSIC \*  
DVDs**

**JEWELLERY \* ORNAMENTS**



## 48 commando Royal Marines

**On Sunday 25th May**

a Service will be held in Christ Church to remember 48,commando Royal Marines who did their training in Gravesend. 70 years ago they left this Church for D-Day, many of them were billeted in this area.

**On the 25th during the 10am Service we will be remembering them**

On the 28th October in 1664 The Royal Marines were formed as The Duke of Albany's Maritime Regiment of Foot so they are celebrating 350 years of the Royal Corp. We have many Battles Honours but only use one "Gibraltar"

First Steps

## FIRST STEPS

First Steps

Is a service especially designed for families with pre-school children, although all children in the family are welcome to come.

We meet in the church at 1.45 pm on the second Wednesday in each month for a short service and then to enjoy a chat over a cup of tea.

We are finished in plenty of time for parents to meet their other children from school.

Why not come along with your children, you will be very welcome.

**Next date is Wednesday 14 May.**



**Have you had a look on the Traidcraft table recently?**

We have some new items for sale. You might see something that takes your fancy.

**If there is something you would like to try but is not on the table have a word with John Hill**

## COFFEE ROYA 2014

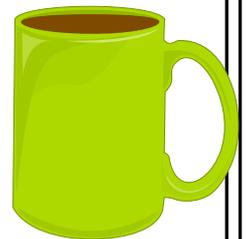
4<sup>th</sup> May Jill Godwin, Jasmine Humphries, Steve Humphries

11<sup>th</sup> May Dorothy Oliver, Rosemary, Ann Lennard

18<sup>th</sup> May Colin Parsonson, Linda Parsonson, Sarah Bush

25<sup>th</sup> May Jerry Higgins, Sally Higgins, Annie Southwick

1<sup>st</sup> June Margot Edwards, Angela Kirby, David/Martin



**Come in and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee after the 10.00 o'clock Sunday service**



# FIRST STEPS

**9 TH APRIL 2014  
EASTER IS COMING**

We're up to a glorious sunny morning and our naughty little sheep is so pleased. It's the school holidays and we're not sure who to expect at our First Steps service today but at least the weather looks promising. Our naughty little sheep and his friends and I make our way up to church and it's lovely and warm in the sunshine. There's beautiful pink blossom in great bunches on the trees in the church yard and lots of lovely flowers. Our little patch of the world looks beautiful in all its springtime glory. Thanks be to God for such a lovely day!

In church the animals find themselves seats, hoping to get a cuddle when the children arrive. There will be a basket full of Easter eggs at the front and they want to keep an eye on them just in case those sneaky children get any ideas! When everything is ready our doors are opened and Ollie is first in with Nanna Maggie. We wonder for a bit if it's just going to be us, and we'll all have to sing really loudly and jingle up a storm but luckily others soon arrive to keep us company. Hooray! When everyone is settled, the candles are lit and our service begins. Our naughty little sheep and his friend the sparkly dragon are sitting quietly on our little altar, as usual. They do love to watch the children and not just because of the Easter eggs!

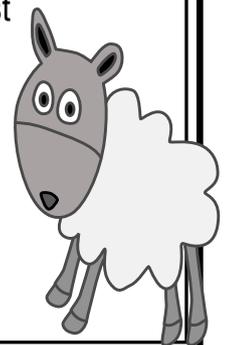
Today we're thinking about the coming of Easter and what an important time it is in our Christian calendar. Next week will be Holy Week, beginning on Palm Sunday, when we remember Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey. What an exciting day that is with the crowd shouting "Hosanna" to Jesus, and throwing down palm branches and cloaks to

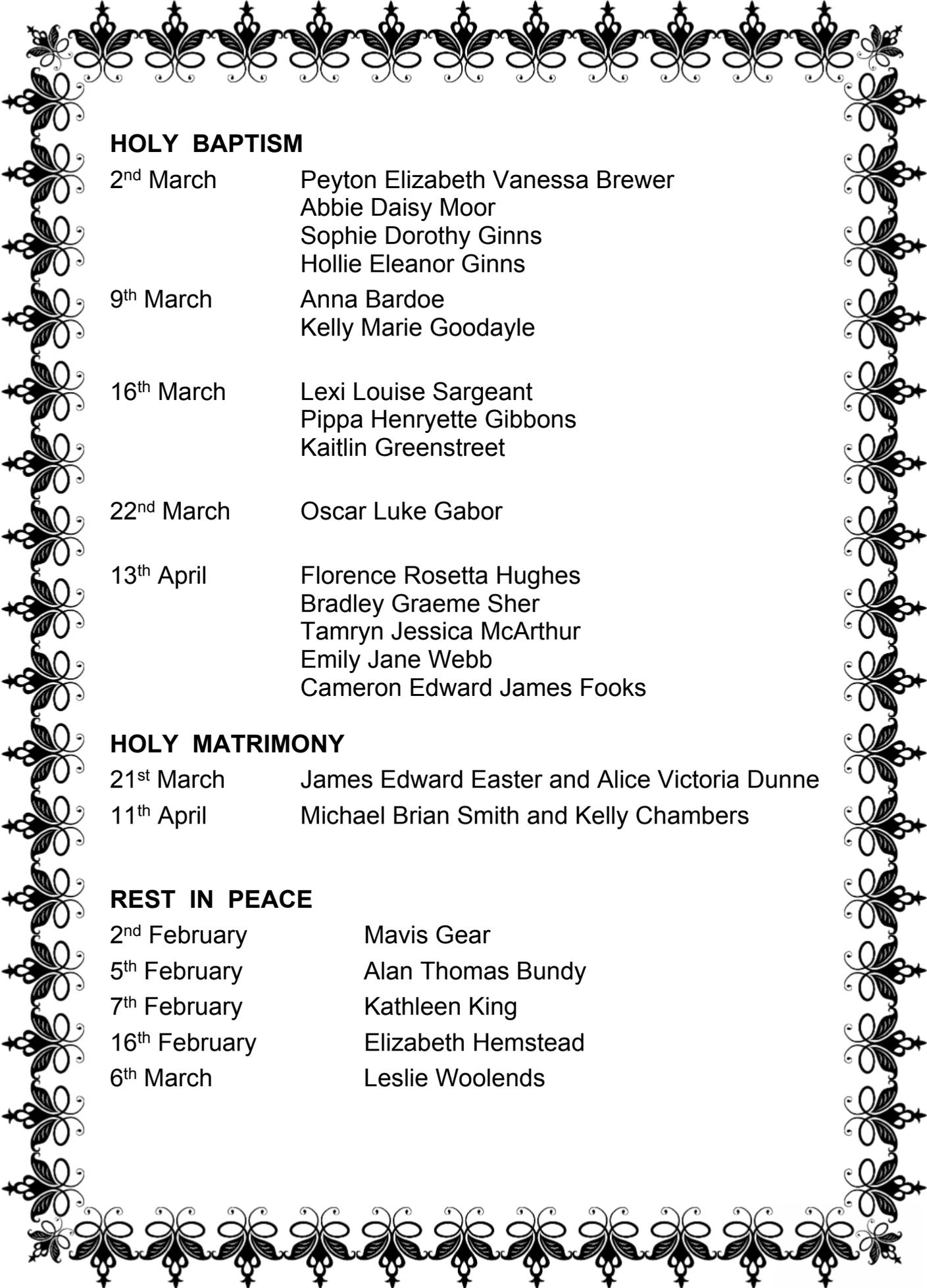
carpet his path, just like a red carpet for a superstar. Of course all that excitement and adulation makes some people really hate Jesus and we see the result of all that on Good Friday when Jesus is killed, dying on the cross to pay for all the bad things that we do. But luckily for us Good Friday and the cross are not the end of the story of Jesus because God raises him from the dead. On Easter day we celebrate his risen life and his promise of new life for us, and it is indeed a special blessing for us all.

We sing about Jesus' wonderful love for us, shown most perfectly on Good Friday and how lucky we are that he is our most dear and precious friend. We sing about the beauty of the seasons and about Mother Hen, and chicks and eggs. Oops! We're thinking about eggs again, though not chocolate ones this time! We thank God for sending Jesus to us; for His great love for us; for the beauty of our world and for the blessed gift of life that He has given to us, to experience and enjoy in all its infinite variety. The children have had a great time singing and jingling bells and cuddling those animals. There is hardly a sound as we say our prayers and then, with our candles blown out, our service is over.

Everyone has been very good, even our naughty little sheep and those sneaky animals, so they all get an Easter egg. Out in the hall there are buttered hot cross buns to share too. Yum! And the weather is still so nice the children can go out into the garden to play. Oh what fun! We have all had such a good time together and we hope that everyone will be able to join us again for our next First Steps service on 14<sup>th</sup> May. My goodness the year is flying by, isn't it? Perhaps we'll have another lovely sunny day to enjoy.

**God Bless      Rosemary Austin**





## **HOLY BAPTISM**

2<sup>nd</sup> March

Peyton Elizabeth Vanessa Brewer  
Abbie Daisy Moor  
Sophie Dorothy Ginns  
Hollie Eleanor Ginns

9<sup>th</sup> March

Anna Bardoe  
Kelly Marie Goodayle

16<sup>th</sup> March

Lexi Louise Sargeant  
Pippa Henryette Gibbons  
Kaitlin Greenstreet

22<sup>nd</sup> March

Oscar Luke Gabor

13<sup>th</sup> April

Florence Rosetta Hughes  
Bradley Graeme Sher  
Tamryn Jessica McArthur  
Emily Jane Webb  
Cameron Edward James Fooks

## **HOLY MATRIMONY**

21<sup>st</sup> March

James Edward Easter and Alice Victoria Dunne

11<sup>th</sup> April

Michael Brian Smith and Kelly Chambers

## **REST IN PEACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> February

Mavis Gear

5<sup>th</sup> February

Alan Thomas Bundy

7<sup>th</sup> February

Kathleen King

16<sup>th</sup> February

Elizabeth Hemstead

6<sup>th</sup> March

Leslie Woolends



# EASTER LILIES

Dennis Wisdom	Albert Robinson	Ellen & William Arnold
Albert "Jack" Jacklin	Hugh Barnes	Margaret & Len Shoemith
Derek Hinkley	Sid Parsonson	Joyce & Constance Mawbey
Irene Hamlin	Katy Shaw	Elsie & Jack Phillips
John Bunyan	Mike Sampson	Mollie & Jim Hood
Philip Roder	Stanley Scott	Claude & Betty Fox
Billy Crouch	Kath Nixon	Fred & Molly Gorringe
William Price	Ena Keyt	Eunice & George Charles
Alan Cooper	Chris Adcock	Edwin & Voncie Davis
Barry Southwick	Chris Hougin	Elsie & Victor Crooks
Paul Osborne	Brenda Emery	Angus & Doris Tompson
Peggy, Bill & Emily Hougham		Dorothy & David Williams
Jane, Stanley & Leonard James	Casely, Watson and Ault families	

## GRAVESHAM FOOD BANK

**Many thanks to those who support the food bank.**

Below is a list of items required at the moment

**Milk (UHT) - Custard**  
**Toothpaste - Hot chocolate**  
**Shampoo - Sweets/treats**  
**Breakfast cereal (not porridge) - Marmite**  
**Fruit juice/squash - Toilet roll**  
**Sponge pudding - Deodorant**  
**Tinned potatoes - Laundry liquid/tablets**

This list is only a few of the items that can help those less fortunate than ourselves, any tinned or non-perishable items are most welcome

## **Archbishops' Evangelism task group meets for first time**

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has chaired the first meeting of the Archbishops' Evangelism Task Group at Lambeth Palace.

The group, which comprises about a dozen experts and practitioners in evangelism, has been set up following a debate on intentional evangelism at the General Synod in November. It intends to encourage and equip every church and Christian proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ.

During its inaugural meeting, the group considered how it can bring influence to bear on the church in the short, medium and long term.

The Archbishop of York, John Sentamu, said: “Next to worship, witness is the primary and urgent task of the Church. Compared with evangelism everything else is like rearranging furniture when the house is on fire. Making disciples is at the heart of our Christian faith and our Anglican tradition.”

The task group has been set up following a debate on intentional evangelism at the General Synod in November, and will be meeting a further four times in its first year.

## **£20m repairs fund for Cathedrals**

The Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England has warmly welcomed the announcement of a new two-year £20 million fund for repairs to cathedrals, announced in the Chancellor's Budget in March.

Cathedrals are a key part of forming the cultural identity of many of England's cities, and are powerful symbols of our shared history. But this does not mean they are just icons of the past. They are active community hubs and are at the centre of several urban regeneration plans, including Peterborough, Leicester and Blackburn, which are all creating cathedral quarters.

The Church of England's 42 cathedrals welcome more than 11m visitors a year with only 6,000 staff but more than 15,000 dedicated volunteers; demonstrating how much cathedrals contribute to, but also depend upon, the communities around them. CofE Cathedrals generate £350 million for the economy each year.

This has been part of their historical resilience. However despite this admirable support, upkeep and restoration costs often fall disproportionately on these small dedicated local groups. As a result the Church of England predicts a £87m repair funding shortfall over the next five years.

£20m of grants will help meet the costs of urgent repairs to these great buildings and support local fundraising efforts by Church of England and Roman Catholic Cathedrals.

The grant will be available over a two year period for Church of England and Roman Catholic Cathedrals in England. The Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England hopes that this will provide a foundation for further funding to ensure the future of some of this country's finest heritage assets.



# Archbishop Justin hosts gathering of Religious Communities

The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby welcomed more than 100 members of a broad range of Anglican religious communities to Lambeth Pal-

ace to discuss the renewal of Religious Life within the Church.

The conference brought together members of diverse religious communi-

ties – some centuries old, others newly emerging – that are bound together by a common commitment to prayer, community living, and a radical service of Christ, often in demanding social contexts.

The event marked a significant early step towards Archbishop Justin's vision for the renewal of prayer and the Religious Life, which he has declared as a core priority for his ministry. The Archbishop gave a keynote address setting out his vision to explain and encourage those gathered.

The conference, 'Religious Life and Renewal: Exploring Roots and Shoots', had three aims: to give members of religious communities around the country an opportunity to interact with Archbishop Justin's vision for the renewal of Religious Life; to receive affirmation and build vision together; and to seek to reinvigorate and re-imagine connections between religious communities and the church's structures.

## Gravesend & District Osteoporosis Support Group



You are invited to

### Afternoon Tea with Live Musical Entertainment

Bank Holiday Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2014

at 2.30 p.m.

at Christ Church Hall  
Old Road East, Gravesend  
DA12 1NR



Admission Adults £3.00  
(free for accompanied children)

To make sure there are enough cakes please

return the slip below.

Please contact Sheila on  
01474 564234 for more  
details



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Gravesend & District Osteoporosis Support Group – Afternoon Tea – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2014

To make sure that there are enough cakes, please let Sheila Knight know how many are coming:

Contact Name ..... Tel No.....

Total Number attending: Adults..... Children.....



EllenorLions Hospices  
*'without them we would have been lost'*



# COFFEE MORNING

**FRIDAY 23 MAY, 10.00 - 12.00**

**COLDHARBOUR ROAD, NORTHFLEET**

**Admission 80p including tea or coffee**

## BIBLE NOTES

Some people find it useful to have a set portion of the Bible to read each day.

The Bible Reading Fellowship have a booklet called "New Daylight" which sets out a short Bible reading and explanatory notes. These booklets are priced at £4.00 (they do go up each year) for a four month period.

If you would like to try one of these booklets please let Julie Hill know.

## WORKING PARTY

'In order to save on expensive cleaning and maintenance, we hold a monthly working party on a Saturday morning starting at 09.30.

Together we clean and tidy the church, do a bit of necessary DIY or gardening, have a coffee and often some home-made goodies – and finish by about 11.30.

We are enormously grateful to the few loyal helpers who turn up month after month – but we desperately need a few more.

Please consider putting the dates into your diary and coming along. All are welcome – if you can do basic DIY please let us know in advance so that the churchwardens can plan jobs in advance.

**Working party is almost always on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month...**

**NOTE the next one will be on 10 May at 9.30.**

See you there, **Sue**

# Do you or members of your family have any interesting stories from World War 1

As part of the national commemorations of WW1 we are looking to reproduce stories that congregation members might like to submit of their relatives, or local men, who engaged in the conflict!

If you have a family story, perhaps with a photograph of the person you are writing about that you would like to be considered for inclusion in an edition of Christ Church magazine over the next four years please let Sue Brewer or Mike Cubitt know.

We are hoping to get enough copy to enable a different story to be produced in the magazine during the four year anniversary period.

All photographs will be returned, but please mark on the back your name and address.



**Members of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAACs) tending the graves of fallen British soldiers in a cemetery at Abbeville in 1918.**

## A thousand poppies to bloom for Great War Centenary

Poppies will be grown in the grounds of parish churches and Church of England schools across the country as an act of remembrance for the centenary of World War 1.

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York are both urging church schools and churches to plant poppy seeds with them on April 30 to commemorate the centenary of World War One and help make poppies bloom across the country.

The Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu said: "I encourage parishes and church schools across the country to join together to make many thousand flowers bloom as a tribute to the sacrifice of past generations Here

in the grounds of Bishopthorpe, we too, are getting behind this community initiative. I have been inspired by the parishes of the new Diocese of Leeds (West Yorkshire and the Dales) and their shared efforts to mark the 100th anniversary of the Great War." Some dioceses - like Oxford, Exeter, Manchester and the new Diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales - have sent packets of poppy seeds to all their churches and/or church schools to create their own memorial gardens or flower pots.

**Packs of Flanders poppies are on sale and can be bought at B&Q for £2 with a pound being donated to the RBL.**



**Christ Church ladies working on the flower arrangements that make the church look so beautiful over Easter**





**Children at “First Steps presented their eggs and above the Easter garden**



Gravesend Floral Arrangement  
Society presents:

# **A FUN QUIZ EVENING**

**Teams -  
Maximum 6  
in each**

**RAFFLE**

**Bring your  
own  
Snacks and  
Drinks**

**on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**7.00 for 7.30 p.m Prompt Start  
Christ Church Hall, Old Road East,**

**Gravesend. DA12 1NR**

**£5.00 entry per person**

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**Gravesend Floral Arrangement Society-  
Quiz – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

Please let Sheila Knight know how many are in your team

Contact Name.....Tel No.....

Total Number attending.....

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Return to Sheila Knight, by **1<sup>st</sup> May** to 2 The Downage, GRAVESEND Kent,  
DA11 7NB

Tel/fax 01474 564234 E-mail sknight01@hotmail.co.uk

FROM RECENT EDITION OF

“IN REVIEW”

## **Sir Hector Sants talks responsible savings and credit**

Sir Hector Sants, former Chief Executive of the Financial Services Authority, says the church has a role to play in promoting the responsible use of credit and savings in the community, in an interview available online.

The task force for Responsible Credit and Saving, which is headed up by Sir Hector, was set up by the Archbishop of Canterbury and will develop the Church of England's on-going support for local credit unions while working with the wider financial sector to build support for more competitive and community-based financial services.

He asks how the church can help on the ground: “We are very conscious that there's a lot of tremendously good work already going on in the area of helping people responsibly use credit and responsibly save and we want to make sure we learn and take advantage of all that experience that's out there. And work with all those individuals who are already delivering on the ground on behalf of their communities.”

“We want to be seen as a practical group of individuals. We want to focus on things the Church can actually do, and we want to deliver change on the ground. We don't just want to think about it as a wider philosophical question, so the focus will be on action on the ground, action in communities.”



**Saturday 3 May**

we are holding a

# **SPRING CHARITY EVENT**

in aid of the

**Oliver Fisher**

**Special Baby Care  
Trust**

based at Medway Hospital

**CHRIST  
CHURCH HALL  
Doors open at 11.00  
till 15.00**

**Entry 50p - Refreshments -  
Numerous Stalls - Raffle etc.**

If you are able to help in any way, eg: help on the day, make a cake or donate a raffle prize

**please contact Sally on  
01474 325298 or speak  
to her in church**



There will be a  
**Coffee Morning**  
on **Wednesday 7th May**  
after the **10.00 am service in**  
the **Choir Vestry.**

There will be a bring and buy table  
and a raffle.

Please come and help us raise much  
needed funds for Christian Aid.

**If you are unable to come per-  
haps you could donate a raffle  
prize or an item for the bring  
and buy table.**

**On Sunday 11th May from  
8.30 am—9.15 am**

why not join us for the

## **Christian Aid Breakfast.**

This is always a very friendly occasion.

**We do not make a set charge  
but ask for a  
generous donation towards  
the work of Christian Aid.**

Please sign the sheet at the back of  
the Church if you hope to come.

Gravesend Entertainment and Musical Society Choir  
present  
a selection of the best known and most loved songs from

## **“Operetta to Film”**

on

**Friday 9th May and Saturday 10th May**

**at St Mary’s Church Hall**

**Wrotham Road Gravesend DA11 7LL**

**At 7.45pm**

**Tickets £8, contact 01474 363778 \* Raffle and refreshments**

Parking available in St George’s School car park

*Come along and enjoy our selections from Bond and MGM films,  
Lehar’s Merry Widow and many more*

# Adventure into Dementia

**Wednesday 21 May 2014 10am - 3pm**

at

**The Gravesend Rugby Football Club**

Rectory Field, Donald Biggs Drive, Milton Road, Gravesend DA12 2TL



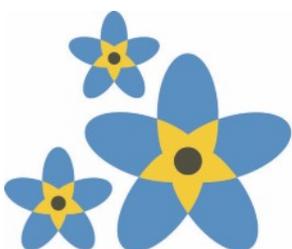
**An invitation for people, families, local businesses  
and communities affected by dementia**

This event will help you better understand, how, with support, people can live well with dementia. There will be information stalls, presentations, activities as well as refreshments and a Cake Baking Competition. A buffet is included.

**To book your place please telephone  
01474 53 39 90**

Transport to and from the event may be possible - for more information and to book your free place contact **01474 533990**

**Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley  
Dementia Friendly Communities**



Working to become  
**Dementia  
Friendly**  
2014-2015



# Summer fete page

**Thursday 15th May 2014**

## **Guided walk of Gravesend riverside**

Guide: Christoph Bull 0770 2287147

Meet: 11am at entrance to Fort Gardens by Milton Place Car Park

Cost: £3 a head – no need to book, just turn up

Optional lunch at Reliance Fish Restaurant afterwards where meal is at special price.

**Saturday 17th May 2014**

## **Chalk Church Boot Fair**

At: Chalk Church Grounds, Church Lane, Chalk

Time: Open to public 10am to 12.30pm – traders only from 9am

Cost for traders: Cars = £10 – Vans = £12

Information: Heather Bull 01474 320156

**Monday 19th May 2014**

## **Evening Guided tour of Gravesend riverside**

with guided tour of Three Daws public house (first ever tour)

Guide: Christoph Bull 07702287147

Meet: 7pm at entrance to Fort Gardens by Milton Place Car Park

Cost: £12.50 Includes evening main meal and a drink at Three Daws afterwards.

**Booking by phoning Three Daws public house on 01474 566869**

**Tuesday 20th May 2014**

## **The Kaiser's War??**

illustrated talk on the First World War from a different perspective

(Full of great adventure and tales).

Speaker: Christoph Bull

Meet: 7pm at TJ's public house, Milton Road, Gravesend DA12 2RF

Cost: £7.50 – includes buffet and a glass of wine.

**Booking by phoning TJ's public house on 01474 533891**

# CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE!

Youth activities for all young people—School Yrs 7—11.

**Regular meetings will be between 4.00-5.30pm  
at the 'Word on the Street' house, 7 Warrior Avenue,  
Gravesend DA12 5NA**

**3 May from 16.00 7 Warrior Avenue  
17 May from 16.00 - 7 Warrior Avenue  
31 May from 16.00 7 Warrior Avenue**

**WHY NOT BRING A FRIEND ALONG TO ENJOY THE EVENING**

For more information contact:

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## THE MUSTARD SEED

THE Mustard Seed aims to provide an informal and friendly tea at 3.00 pm on the third Thursday of every month in Christ Church hall.

It is a venture that offers the opportunity to meet new friends and reminisce about old times.

The Mustard Seed, as the parable says (Mark4; 3-32) is very small - like dust - but has the potential to develop into one of the largest plants.

Please join us as we plant the Mustard Seed and assist to make it flourish.

Who knows what may happen!

The Mustard Seed is in its second year now, and the next gathering will be on **Thursday 15 May** You are so welcome.

**For further details please contact any member of the pastoral care team. Pastoral assistants Pam Kilby, Colin Parsonson, Jasmine Humphries or Curate Jo Drew**

## Invitation to meet



### **A mix of movement, art & voice workshops for older adults aged 55+ years**

Come and meet the artists, chat about the project & take part in the free taster sessions

on

**Thursday 15 May 2014** (no need to book, just turn up)

at

**Chalk Parish Hall, Chalk 10am – 12.30pm**

**St John's Church Hall, Higham 2pm – 4.30pm**

If you've enjoyed yourself then sign up for the 6 week free sessions (Thursday's) from 3 July - 7 August 2014.

Some photography and celebrations will be involved.

For more information please contact:

**email: [lyndsey.thompson@gravesham.gov.uk](mailto:lyndsey.thompson@gravesham.gov.uk)**

**tel: 01474 337442**

**Tweet: @ednasjourney web: [www.ednasjourney.co.uk](http://www.ednasjourney.co.uk)**

**Gravesham**  
Borough Council



# What happens at Christ Church?

## Sunday Services

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Communion with crèche & God's Gang

On the 2nd Sunday All-Age service

Evening Service - see inside magazine for details.

## Weekday Services

Holy Communion (said)

Monday and Saturday 8am.

Tuesday & Thursday 7.00am.

Wednesday 10.00am

**For further information**

**Contact**

**The Church Wardens**

## Office hours

Friday 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm

Registered Charity no. 1130741

## Regular activities and youth organisations

There are a wide variety of clubs for you:-

Daily	Christ Church Pre-school (2½ upwards)	
Monday	Music Group; Brownies	
Tuesday	Cubs and Semiquavers	
Wednesday	Guides; Mothers Union (1st Wednesday)	
	First Steps (under 5's and carers) 2nd Wednesday 1.45pm	
	Ifield Ladies (every third Wednesday)	
Thursday	Beavers/Brownies; Choir Practice:	
3.00 p.m.	Mustard Seed (every third)	
2 - 3.30	Forgetmenot Singing 2nd & 4th Thurs afternoon	
Friday	Scouts; Parent and Toddler	
Saturday	Working Party (9.30 a.m. every second)	

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<b>Sunday</b> 	<b>4</b> 08.00 Service 10.00 Service	<b>11</b> 08.00 Service 08.30 Breakfast 10.00 Service 18.30 Choral Even-song	<b>18</b> 08.00 Service 10.00 Service	<b>25</b> 08.00 Service 10.00 Service
<b>Monday</b> 	<b>5</b> 08.00 Service 16.45 Service BROWNIES	<b>12</b> 08.00 Service 16.45 Service BROWNIES	<b>19</b> 08.00 Service 16.45 Service BROWNIES	<b>26</b> 08.00 Service 16.45 Service BROWNIES
<b>Tuesday</b> 	<b>6</b> 07.00 Service 16.45 Service CUBS 18.15 Semiquavers	<b>13</b> 07.00 Service 16.45 Service CUBS 18.15 Semiquavers	<b>20</b> 07.00 Service 16.45 Service CUBS 18.15 Semiquavers	<b>27</b> 07.00 Service 16.45 Service CUBS 18.15 Semiquavers
<b>Wednesday</b> 	<b>7</b> 10.00 Service 16.45 Service	<b>14</b> 10.00 Service <b>13.45 First Steps</b> 16.45 Service	<b>21</b> 10.00 Service 16.45 Service	<b>28</b> 10.00 Service 16.45 Service
<b>Thursday</b> 	<b>1</b> 07.00 Service 16.45 Service BROWNIES Choir practice	<b>8</b> 07.00 Service 16.45 Service BROWNIES Choir practice	<b>15</b> 07.00 Service 15.00 Mustard Seed 16.45 Service BROWNIES Choir practice	<b>22</b> 07.00 Service 15.00 Mustard Seed 16.45 Service BROWNIES Choir practice
<b>Friday</b> 	<b>2</b> 13.15 Parent and Toddlers 16.45 Service 18.30 Office hours SCOUTS	<b>9</b> 13.15 Parent and Toddlers 16.45 Service 18.30 Office hours SCOUTS	<b>16</b> 13.15 Parent and Toddlers 16.45 Service 18.30 Office hours SCOUTS	<b>23</b> 13.15 Parent and Toddlers 16.45 Service 18.30 Office hours SCOUTS
<b>Saturday</b> 	<b>3</b> 08.00 Service	<b>10</b> 08.00 Service <b>09.30 working party</b>	<b>17</b> 08.00 Service	<b>24</b> 08.00 Service



**Top left and middle, artwork produced by children at Good Friday service. Top right, Preachers at the Good Friday service. Bottom pic shows the choir and Semiquavers singing the anthem on Easter Day**

