

Hursley Parish Magazine

September 2010—web edition



THE COVER

A jackdaw's-eye view of All Saints' taken from a chimney stack at The Old Audit House. The Church, with its newly refurbished notice-board, is a haven of peace and tranquillity alongside the busy junction with The Kings Head proclaiming its presence and The Hursley Butcher replenishing his stock while the ceaseless traffic rushes by unheeding.

DAVID SERMON

Worship Calendar

Wednesday 1st	10:00am Holy Communion at Otterbourne
Sunday 5th <i>14th after Trinity</i>	8:00am Holy Communion at Compton 9:30am Family Communion at Otterbourne 9:30am Family Communion at Hursley 11:00am Family Communion at Compton 6:00pm Evensong at Otterbourne
Wednesday 8th	10:00am Holy Communion at Otterbourne
Sunday 12th <i>15th after Trinity</i>	8:00am Holy Communion at Compton 9:30am Parish Communion and Sunday Club at Otterbourne 11:00am Morning Service and Sunday Club at Compton 11:00am Family Service and Keble Club at Hursley 6:00pm Evening Service at Otterbourne
Wednesday 15th	10:00am Holy Communion at Otterbourne
Sunday 19th <i>16th after Trinity</i>	8:00am Holy Communion at Otterbourne 9:30am Family Service at Otterbourne 9:30am Parish Communion at Hursley 11:00am Parish Communion and Sunday Club at Compton 3:00pm Baptism of Brayden Pitcher at Otterbourne 6:00pm Evening Service at Compton
Wednesday 22nd	10:00am Holy Communion at Otterbourne
Saturday 25th	3:00pm Wedding of Nicholas <i>Handley</i> and Christine <i>Saunders</i> at Otterbourne
Sunday 26th <i>17th after Trinity</i>	8:00am Holy Communion at Hursley 9:30am Parish Communion, Baptism of EVIE, RALPH and LAYLA Warin and Sunday Club at Otterbourne 11:00am Parish Communion and Sunday Club at Compton 11:00am Family Service and Keble Club at Hursley
Wednesday 29th	10:00am Holy Communion at Otterbourne

LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Belonging, they say, comes before believing, in other words, it is common for people to come to faith through the joining of a faith community before taking the step of committing themselves to the tenants of that faith. That wasn't how it was for me, but having joined the congregation of my local parish church I soon found that regular worship sustained me in ways that my 'solo' believing had not done.

Either way it clearly matters how we feed and develop our communal life as a church. Of course, worshipping together is the prime means and our calling, but other things are important too; coming together to talk and to share life's experiences, to get to know one another better in group discussion, to take part in a common task (usually to raise money!), and simply to have fun. That is why we hold events such as the *Jazz Evening* in the Rectory garden in July, the various patronal meals, and the *Harvest Lunch* on 3rd October. It is also why we have started a *film club*, meeting in the Otterbourne church room once a month on a Sunday evening at 7 pm, and on a weekday afternoon at 3 pm.

The inaugural meetings will be Sunday evening, 5th September and Friday afternoon 10th September. Under the terms of our public performance license we are not allowed to advertise the film being shown, but the idea is that Sunday evenings will be a reasonably recent film and on Friday afternoons we will show a classic from some years back. We will use DVDs, a data projector, a large screen and a good sound system – not exactly cinema standard but better than the telly (mine anyway!). In order to cover the cost of the license we will have to charge either an annual subscription or an attendance fee of, say, £1. After the film we might have some refreshments and discussion. It would be risking national headlines to add the epithet "adults only", but it might be said that we could show films beyond a 'U' category! We will start with a season of films chosen in turn by the members, who might give a short explanation of what appealed to them in the film chosen.

So why should the church be interested in films? Simply because films have become an important part of our modern culture, documenting our changing world and the hopes and fears of many of us. It might also be fun to sit and watch something with other people again, without the usual disturbances of a cinema audience or a home telephone! So why not come along and give it a try?

WILLIAM

Readings for 9:30am Services

5th Jeremiah 18:1-11	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33
19th Jeremiah 8:18-9:13	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13

Readings for 11:00am Services

12th Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
26th Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-end

FREE MOVIE MORNING EVENT

What: **Free** showing of the fun-filled film *Mamma Mia* for anyone over 55 living in the Winchester District!

When: Thursday, **30 September** from 10.30am. Seats are limited, so it will be first come, first served.

Where: **The Screen** Cinema, St. Cross Road, Winchester. Help with transport is available for anyone who would like to come along.

Please pass this flyer along to anyone over 55 living in the Winchester District who might like to attend this free, fun event!

The event is being organised and hosted by the *Winchester and District Over 55's Forum*. This Forum is made up of volunteers from around the district who have come together to help make life better for *Over 55's* in our communities.

If you have any questions, or you'd like to arrange transport for a group of over 55's to attend the event, please contact me on **01962 848 497**.

I hope to see many of you there.

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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Vegetable Lattice Flan

225g/8oz shortcrust pastry;	3 medium eggs;
175g/6oz baby spinach;	150ml/¼pt single cream;
3 assorted coloured peppers, skinned and deseeded;	freshly ground black pepper;
100g/4oz sweetcorn kernels;	50g/2oz asparagus spears, trimmed and blanched.
50g/2oz Cheddar cheese, grated;	

Preheat oven to 200°C (180°C fan), gas mark 6, 15 min before cooking.

Roll out pastry and use to line a 20cm/8in flan tin. Leave in the fridge while preparing the filling. Wash baby spinach and place in a saucepan with just the water left on the leaves. Cook for 3-4mins until wilted. Drain well, squeeze out excess water and then chop. Cut the peppers into strips and arrange spinach on the base of the pastry-lined tin with the peppers and sweetcorn on top. Sprinkle with the grated cheese.

Beat the eggs with the cream; season and carefully pour over the cheese. Arrange the asparagus on top in a lattice pattern. Place the flan on a baking sheet and bake in the oven for 20min. Reduce the temperature to 180C (160C fan), gas mark 4, and continue to cook for 25-30mins or until filling is set. Serve.

(Tip: to blanch asparagus, pour boiling water over and leave for 5mins before draining.) Enough for 6.

A HELPING HAND WHEN YOU NEED IT MOST

Do you know of an elderly person who needs extra help and support? Perhaps this person is a relative, someone you care for, or simply a good friend you watch out for. Or perhaps you yourself need advice or information to help you make decisions about support you may need in later life.

You are not alone. If you find the situation confusing or overwhelming you'll be glad to know that help is available.

The charity *Counsel and Care* has many years experience of helping people make sense of what they're entitled to and making sure that older people can access the best quality care and support possible. The following anonymous quote from one of their callers illustrates how helpful their advice line can be:

"I contacted *Counsel and Care* about my mother who had been in a care home for the last seven years. She had paid for all her care herself during that time and, as a result her money was running out. I was really concerned that my mother would have to move to another cheaper care home to cut the costs.

The advice worker immediately advised me to make sure my mother had a needs assessment carried out by her local council straightaway as the council should have become responsible for paying her care home fees when her savings ran down to £23,250. I particularly appreciated the time you took to listen to my case and the detail[ed] and professional response."

Counsel and Care is the national charity working with older people, their families and carers to get the best care and support. Established in 1954, *Counsel and Care* has over 56 years experience in the field. Their advice line is on hand to offer expert advice nationwide to all who need it at the cost of a local rate call. The number you need is **0845 300 7585** where you can book a telephone appointment to speak to a friendly and expert adviser at only the cost of a local rate call from most landlines. However complicated your issue may be you can rest assured that *Counsel and Care's* advice will be well researched and informative. When relevant, they will send you guides from our range of over 60 expertly-written publications. These are all available free of charge in print or from their website. If you have internet access you can visit www.counselandcare.org.uk to view the range and find out more about the advice service.

HELEN FINCH

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HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATION TO CHURCHES NIGHTSHELTER

The Nightshelter offers an essential lifeline to the homeless, accommodating nearly 200 people a year. Guests stay until longer-term accommodation is found to match their needs.

The Nightshelter offers more than just quality accommodation and wholesome meals: we offer real support and hope to those in crisis. Focusing on support work with every guest, we offer counselling, advice on housing, employment, health, personal finance, substance misuse, and other essential support to help rebuild peoples' lives and social structures.

Items most needed this year include:

Cans - corned beef; ham; tins of steak/mince/curry/chilli; hotdogs; Fray Bentos pies; evaporated milk and condensed milk; sponge puddings; rice pudding; and custard.

Breakfast cereals; tea and coffee; coffee creamer; sugar; squash; biscuits; long-life fruit juices; pasta sauces; easy cook rice; mayonnaise; salad cream; brown sauce; tomato sauce; chilli sauce; soy sauce; ethnic sauces; cranberry sauce; mint sauce; suet and/or dumpling mixes; plain flour; salt & pepper; tortilla chips; fajitas mixes & flour tortillas; sponge fingers; jellies; instant whip; dessert mixes; dream topping; and muesli bars.

At the moment we have a good supply of the following items which are not so vital as we are in more need of the items above:

Tins of soup; tins of beans (other than baked beans) i.e. pulses and kidney beans; pasta; tinned fish; jam; tinned tomatoes.

If you could kindly consider our vital needs at this time, we would be most grateful, and hope that you will be able to assist *The Nightshelter* at Harvest time.

MICHELE PRICE

MANAGER, WINCHESTER CHURCHES NIGHTSHELTER

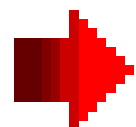
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THE HURSLEY 10k

Sunday 19th September 2010 @ 10:30 am



Local Sporting Stars and Heroes Invited to Step into the Limelight

Nominations are now being invited for the *3rd Annual Sports Awards* for the Winchester District.

The Winchester District *Sport and Physical Activity Alliance* (SPAA) is asking local sports clubs, community organisations and residents to name the best of the District's sporting talent as the build-up starts to the big award ceremony on Thursday 2nd December.

The awards, which are sponsored by *Wild Sports*, will be presented at a ceremony in Winchester Guildhall. Last year's celebrity host was Olympic swimmer Julia Beckett and a presentation was given by Rod Carr the *Royal Yachting Association* Chief Executive. The awards – which will move rooms within Winchester Guildhall this year to accommodate more people – aim to recognise publicly the commitment and excellence of coaches, volunteers, sportsmen and sportswomen across the Winchester District.

Last year nominations were received from *Winchester Canoe Club, Hampshire Thrashers, Winchester and District Athletics Club, Winchester Rugby Club, Winchester City Penguins Swimming Club, Winchester Gymnastics Club, Winchester Hockey Club, St Cross Symondians Cricket Club, South Wonston Table Tennis Club, Itchen Valley Shooting Club, Winchester City Basketball Club, Winchester CTC, and Denmead Tennis Club*. It is hoped that many more clubs and organisations will take the opportunity to submit nominations as the awards evening continues to grow and reward those individuals and teams who commit so much of their time to sport in the District.

Nominations for awards will be considered in the following categories:

Junior Sportsman & Junior Sportswoman under 18 years of age

Senior Sportsman & Senior Sportswoman 18 years or over

Master Sportsman & Master Sportswoman 40 years of age or over

Junior Disability Sportsman & Sportswoman under 18 years of age

Senior Disability Sportsman & Sportswoman 18 years or over

Coach of the Year (Male or Female) (no age criteria)

Volunteer of the Year (Junior & Senior)

Official (Male or Female)

Service to Sport (Male or Female)

Team (Junior & Senior)

Club of the Year

The awards will be for achievements during the sporting year of 2010, with the exception of *Service to Sport* which will be for service, coaching, officiating or volunteering over a number of years.

All nominees must either be resident within the Winchester District or registered to, or working with, clubs based in the Winchester District. All entries must be supported by a written statement of no more than 200 words, explaining why you think the nominee deserves this recognition.

Cllr Lucille Thompson, Portfolio Holder for *Active Communities* at Winchester City Council commented: 'This is a perfect opportunity for us to support and be involved in a celebration event that showcases those talented sports people from our district. We have a number of clubs within our local communities throughout the whole district and this event is a great chance to really show those people the appreciation they deserve for putting so much time and effort into their sport and local community.'

Stuart Barlow, Chair of Winchester District *Sport and Physical Activity Alliance*, added: 'Last year we had a fantastic evening celebrating the successes of local sports people but this year we would like to celebrate even more achievements. With the Olympics only two years away there is a great deal happening and this event provides clubs and individuals with a platform to show how much they have done in the last year.'

The closing date for entries is Monday 11th October 2010.

Download a nomination form or nominate online. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Winchester & District Sport and Physical Activity Alliance website on www.winchesterspaa.org.uk or alternatively you can nominate online by going to Winchester City Council's *Do It Online* pages on the main council website (www.winchester.gov.uk) and selecting Winchester Sports Awards.

Request a nomination form. Entry forms, with further details, can be obtained by contacting *Hannah Bone* on **01962 848 231** or hebhone@winchester.gov.uk.

HURSLEY 10K

The **Hursley 10k** is nearly upon us again. We have over 350 runners already signed up (no entry on the day this year) which is great.

Reeds Reins are one of the main sponsors this year, along with others, and we very much appreciate having them all on board. As in previous years we are looking for a few villagers that live on the main road to allow us to put a *Reeds Reins* notice board on the outside of their property. Anyone that is able to help with this please do let us know soonest as we are aiming to put boards up *asap*.

I am sure anyone else who can help out on the day will be more than welcome, just let us know your name and contact details and we will find a job for you.

Thanks again to the villagers for their support in this year's Hursley 10k. Contact us online at www.hursley10k.co.uk.

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HURSLEY WOMEN'S GROUP

Back to June, when we met as usual in the Parish Hall.

The topic for the month was *Flower Arranging*, presented by Antonia. As she unpacked her basket, we wondered; only a small bunch of flowers, and some other items, including a small varnished log. This was to be Japanese floral art, using about three flowers, coloured ribbon &c. Antonia warned us that she was not an expert, but had learned from a friend, who had also lent her some books on the subject for us to look at. For a novice unused to this type of flower arrangement, our chairperson produced an oriental creation which the group marked quite highly! According to the book, it was called 'IKEBANA', whatever that may mean.

Afterwards, over tea and coffee, we went over plans for next month—the picnic.

July 8th: *The Picnic*. We decided on the Hursley Recreation Ground, as it is very pleasant there, there are picnic tables and it is within walking distance for most people. There were nine of us gathered on a beautifully warm July evening. Food was plentiful and we had a pleasant time in the late evening sunshine. The next meeting will be the annual 'Birthday Party'; more food and drink and, hopefully, fine weather!

August 12th: *The Birthday Party*. As usual, we all met at Cice's home. The weather was fine enough to sit outside for some time, before a heavy shower sent us all back indoors. We had a lovely evening and plans were made for the next month's meeting (a Skittles Evening). Despite being over 40 years old, the Women's Group goes from strength to strength, with new members joining to bring fresh faces and new ideas. Out thanks to Cice and Pete, for their hospitality. So now we look forward to the Autumn meetings.

EDNA

MAYOR OF WINCHESTER'S CHARITY 2010—2011 (registered number 1093428)

The Mayor of Winchester, Cllr Richard Izard, will be pleased to welcome you at any of the following events to be held in support of his chosen charities: *Help for Heroes*, *Joe Glover Trust* and *Winchester Live at Home*.

TALKS AT ABBEY HOUSE, WINCHESTER

15th September (10am) Coffee Morning: **a Hat fit for a Mayoress**, by *Jinny's Hats* (£5)

20th October (7pm) Talk by journalist and broadcaster *Peter White*: '**The Way I See It...**' (£5)

17th November (10am) Coffee Morning and flower display demonstration by *Blooming Workshop* (£5)

8th December (10am) Coffee Morning with *Nicola Shade*, local authoress, whose heroine loves Winchester (£5)

CHARITY GOLF DAY

17th September — contact Nick at the *Dog and Crook*, Brambridge for details (**01962 712129**)

TALK BY PROFESSOR MARTIN BIDDLE OBE, FBA, FSA

8th October (7pm) — Renowned archeologist and honoured Freeman of the City, in Winchester Guildhall. (£12) Refreshments available at cash bar.

GRAND CHRISTMAS BALL

10th December (7:30pm) in the new *Bapsy Suite* at the Guildhall. (£50 per head)

Please contact Richard or Elaine on 01962 712167 for tickets or further details of all of the above.

FUN FOOD EVENTS—RAISING FUNDS FOR CHARITY



Hampshire foodies will soon have a chance to enjoy a theatrical feast when teams of chefs from *Hotel du Vin* Winchester and *Lainston House* battle it out in a Ready, Steady, Cook-style *Charity Chefs' Challenge* in Chandler's Ford on Thursday 30th September. Welcome drinks will be served from 7pm and the show will commence at 7.30pm.

This light-hearted, volunteer-led, fundraising event follows the success of the Chewton Glen v. Lime Wood contest recently held in New Milton, as part of the *Hampshire Food Festival*.

The venue for the next *Charity Chefs' Challenge* is Thornden Hall Performing Arts Centre in Chandler's Ford. Hosted by Simon Clarke from Wave 105's afternoon programme, the fun evening will raise money for three good causes. Half the proceeds will go to the radio station's *Cash for Kids* appeal, 25% to *Macmillan Cancer Support* and 25% to the *Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance*.

Volunteer event coordinator, Katy Metson, told us: "Our aim is to offer a truly entertaining evening whilst raising money for local charities. The emphasis is on fun, involvement and learning. The audience are part of the experience. As well as top class food demonstrations, there's plenty of audience participation with Q&A opportunities and some lucky people will be invited to sample the food at the Chefs' table! Everyone will vote and choose the winners."

Katy continued, "We were delighted with the success of our first event on 12th July, which was well supported by theatre-goers and local businesses alike. A great time was had by all, as the photos on our website show! We're now hoping to raise even more money from our next Chefs' Challenge in Chandler's Ford. In addition to a great raffle, we will also be holding a charity auction, when you can bid for some fantastic 'money-can't-buy' experiences, such as Head Chef Andy Mackenzie of Lainston House coming to your home to cook dinner for 8 people."

Tickets cost £25 and include a welcome drink and complimentary interval canapés. To find out more, visit www.cookerydemo.co.uk.

Group bookings booked before September 6th qualify for a special discount; 'buy 9 tickets get the 10th ticket free'.

For tickets call Jan Ward on **023 8024 6555** or you can email her at hall@thornden.hants.sch.uk. Alternatively, call Wave 105 on **01489 481057** and ask for tickets for the Charity Chefs' Challenge on 30th September.

NEWS FROM THE TOWER

As the Hill household is in the throes of decorating at the moment, Christine has been too busy to write anything for the parish magazine this month. I, happily, have been excused decorating duties on the grounds of incompetence, and have been given this job instead!

It's been fairly quiet in the tower this month – summer's always tricky with people going away on holiday – but we have managed to visit a couple of other towers and continue honing our skills on Friday nights. Most recently we visited the brand new ring of twelve at Portsmouth Cathedral (where the honing of the skills was not particularly apparent).

As one of the youngest members of the Hursley band, I thought I'd take this opportunity to do a bit of sly recruiting. I appreciate that to a lot of under-twenties the ancient art of campanology lacks appeal, but at Hursley we do actually have several young ringers, although in a few years we may lose several of these. A mainly adult environment is a daunting prospect, but if you would like to have a go and bring some friends along you'll find that there are many opportunities in ringing to meet new people of your own age who share a passion. You can also do ringing as part of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. If you'd like to know more have a look at the *Young Bell-ringers* Facebook page, or come along on a Tuesday night one week and have a look for yourself!

ROSEMARY HILL, DEPUTY TOWER CAPTAIN



FROM A CHURCH BULLETIN...

Next Thursday there will be a tryout for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

(CONTRIBUTED BY PHIL JOHNSON, ALBERTA)

We celebrated the weddings of:

Katya Shipster and *Darren Choppin* on 24th July, All Saints', Compton.

Catherine Bindon-Blodd and *Simon Morton* on 30th July, All Saints', Hursley.

Lucy Newham and *Nicholas Morgans* on 31st July, St. Matthew's, Otterbourne.

Jacquelyn Milven and *David Westbrook* on 14th August, St. Matthew's, Otterbourne

We welcomed into the Church through Baptism:

MARTHA and ALICE Simpson on 25th July, All Saints', Compton.

ALEXANDER Fowler on 15th August, St. Matthew's, Otterbourne.

NEIL Russell on 15th August, St. Matthew's, Otterbourne.

PRAYER DIARY

1. Pray for children returning to school or starting for the first time.
2. We thank you Lord for being a loving Father.
3. May we persevere in prayer and seek light from your word.
4. Pray for all affected by earthquake, floods and storms. Pakistan; Haiti; China.
5. We pray for our bishops and clergy.
6. Awaken us to your glory today.
7. Pray for prisoners, refugees and all in trouble.
8. Grant us grace to listen and be patient.
9. We rejoice in the gift of this new day.
10. We pray for the work of the Samaritans.
11. We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.
12. O God, lead us in ways of truth and love.
13. Pray for all who work for unity, peace and concord.
14. Guard and strengthen Elizabeth our Queen.
15. Help us to give with wisdom, generosity and care.
16. Pray for relief agencies working in Afghanistan.
17. Help us to love our neighbours as ourselves.
18. Bless all who work at the Trinity Centre and Nightshelter.
19. Lord let your love fill our hearts and minds as we worship today.
20. We pray for those in doubt or despair.
21. Lord, teach us your ways.
22. We give thanks for your Holy Word, the Bible.
23. Pray for Christian writers and broadcasters.
24. Be our Guardian and Guide; hear us when we call.
25. We pray for the bereaved and sorrowful.
26. Holy Spirit, inspire our worship today.
27. We pray for the elderly and lonely as the days shorten.
28. Help us to be good stewards of the fruit of your creation.
29. May your holy angels keep watch over us.
30. Lord, bless and protect young people leaving home for the first time.

September

POSTSCRIPT

If you would like to read about something in particular, why not post me a short note (9 Heathcote Place, Hursley)? Or send an e-mail (HursleyParishMagazine@gmail.com)? Or drop round to see me?

You could even *write an article*...!

Now there's a thought.

STEVE POWELL (ED)