

# Newsletter – 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019



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



## *Harvest Supper*



On **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September** we will be holding our annual Harvest Supper at St Marys Church. Time 6.30pm – 8.30pm. This year in addition to giving thanks to God for the many blessings we have received, we want to support countries for whom the basics of life are not available. This year we are aware how blessed we are at both churches, to have toilet facilities and running water.

Main course will be provided but we will have sign up sheets for bring and share salads and puddings.

Cost £5.00 per adult; £2.50 per child. On the night, if you would like to make an additional donation towards the toilet twinning, it would be much appreciated.

There will be games for the children and some singing of traditional Harvest Hymns. **There are a few tickets left**, please contact Rev Julie Sear on 01892 770436

In addition, we will be collecting goods for the East Grinstead Foodbank. A box will be in each church for the month of September. St Mary's School will also be part of our Harvest appeal. Here are some of the goods needed for the foodbank.

- deodorant female/male; toilet paper (2+4 roll packs)
- toothpaste; tinned meat
- pasta 500g packs; shampoo - male and female; jam
- uht milk green long life 1 litre; tinned veg. peas /carrots / sweetcorn
- finally - we welcome good condition, 'bags for life' to reuse, as our stocks are low

**TOILETS, TAPS AND TRAINING – A LIFESAVING TRIO**  
**WE ARE FLUSHING AWAY POVERTY, ONE TOILET AT A TIME.**

By donating £60 to twin your toilet, you help fund a project in a poor community that will enable families to build a basic toilet, have access to clean water and learn about hygiene – a vital combination that saves lives.

When you twin, we'll send you a certificate to hang in your loo – showing a photograph of your overseas toilet twin and GPS coordinates so you can look up your twin's location on Google Maps!

If you would like to make a donation towards the toilet twinning. Please make your cheque payable to Hartfield PCC.

## **Joint Harvest Service**

*Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 9:30 am*

will be a joint Harvest Service at St Mary's Church. All goods brought to church will go to the East Grinstead Food Bank and all financial gifts to the toilet twinning project.



Everyone welcome.

Thank you so much. **Rev Julie**

## ***New! Prayer Meeting for St Marys School***



St Mary the Virgin  
Church of England School  
Learning with love, strength and faith following the example of Jesus

*From Rachel Reid:*

*I've arranged the first school prayer meeting for  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 09:30 in the church.*

*Everyone welcome. People can just turn up!*

***Macmillan Coffee Morning  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 09:30 -  
12:00 at Trinity Hall***

Run by the Trinity Café Team and Friends. Raffle and competitions as well as excellent tea coffee cakes and scones!



Enquiries/donations to Pauline Maynard Tel: 01342 823618

## ***Community Children's Choir***

Are you between the ages of 8-14? Do you like singing fun songs and performing? Then do come along to the new Community Children's Choir starting in Hartfield Church this September.

Start date Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September till Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

Half term week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> October.

3.30pm to 4.15pm

Learn to sing a wide variety of different types of songs from classical to pop, and pick up some important musicianship skills along the way too!

Led by Frances Rowberry, an experienced local singing teacher, the sessions will be 45 mins once a week and cost £5.00 a session.

Contact Frances on 07719245539 or by email [francesrowberry@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:francesrowberry@hotmail.co.uk)

## ***Today's Readings***



### *Luke 17 v 11-19 - Jesus Heals Ten Men With Leprosy*

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!” When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed.

One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

## *Galatians 5 v 16-24 - Life by the Spirit*

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

### ***Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving***

***Revd Julie writes:***

Over the past six years. I have conducted many funerals and services of Thanksgiving.

Living in a village, one can't help but be aware that loss and sadness affects us both individually and corporately. In November, we have a special day of Remembrance to remember all who have died at the hands of war. We remember those who fought bravely in our own parishes. But on a more personal level, we sometimes feel we need to have an opportunity to remember loved ones who have died. To have an opportunity to give thanks for all that they have meant to us. We come seeking to learn of God's love and to open our lives to the strength that he can give us as we continue on the journey of life without them. To pray for ourselves and all who mourn that we would be comforted.

We will be holding a service on the **1<sup>st</sup> November at midday in St Mary's Church**. This service is for everyone who has experienced loss recently or in the past. It may be that you haven't been to church for a while but I want to invite you to come and have an opportunity to listen to the words and music. To give thanks for the life you remember as we light a candle and offer prayers.

There will be a Book of Remembrance as you come in. These names will then be read out during a time of reflection and remembrance.

At the end of the service you are invited to stay for a simple lunch of bread and soup.

Please let me know if you are coming. Rev Julie 01892 770 436 or [revjuliesearl@gmail.com](mailto:revjuliesearl@gmail.com)

### *Prayer*

*Eternal God and Father,  
we praise you that you have made people  
to share life together  
and to reflect your glory in the world.  
We thank you now for those whom we come to  
remember today, for all that we saw of your  
goodness and love in their lives  
and for all that they have meant to us.  
As we too journey towards death  
may we do so in the company of Jesus,  
who came to share our life  
that we might share the life of eternity.  
To him be glory with you and the Holy Spirit  
for ever and ever.*

*Amen*

Websites

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

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