

BULLETIN

Issued: 27 June 2025

Quite Day 'How to inhabit time' – Sat 12 July, 10.30am-12.30pm: Come and join us for a guided morning on the sacred gift of life. An opportunity to reflect on how to slow the daily rush of life and embrace time and the present moment more intentionally, more peacefully, and grounded in the presence of god. Led by local spiritual director Sharon Seal. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided, £5 donation. Please sign up [here](#) so we know how many to expect. We look forward to spending time together.

St MARY'S
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Quiet Morning

'How to inhabit time'

Saturday 12th July
10 - 12.30pm | £5 donation
St Mary's Fetcham

Tea, coffee & biscuits provided

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www.stmarysfetcham.org.uk/whats-on/

Sign up now

Gardening for Wildlife Photo Competition: Are you trying to give wildlife in your garden or on your balcony a helping hand this summer? Could you share a photo of your wildlife friendly spot to inspire others? If so, please take a digital photograph and send it to office@stmarysfetcham.org.uk by 31 July 2025.

It will be printed out and displayed on the Eco board in the church hall during the summer holidays. Depending on photo entry themes received, there will be a couple of prizes for: photos capturing how a difference for nature has been made by you in your garden, or a creative endeavour you have pursued

to give nature a boost, or simply a photo which captures a beautiful garden decision you've made which nature is clearly enjoying.

Please give your photo a title so that it is clear what you are aiming to achieve for nature.

We know that so many people in our communities are making a difference for nature. All the little differences add up! This is an opportunity to celebrate!

GARDENING FOR WILDLIFE

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Submission Deadline:
31 JULY 2025

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A Crafty Night In! – Fri 11 July, 7.30-9.30pm: Do you enjoy the idea of making crafts but never seem to have the time, or don't know where to start? Why not join us for an evening learning the technique of decoupage with our craft advisors on hand to help.

Upcycle your old boxes, photo frames or even a flowerpot, turning them into something gorgeous for yourself for as a gift for that special person. We will learn how to decorate it using a selection of beautifully printed paper. All abilities (18's and over only). £10 per person includes all craft materials required and a complimentary glass of wine or soft drink. To book and pay follow the link [here](#)



Afternoon Tea – Sat 28 June, 3-4.30pm: We look forward to our monthly get together with the elder members of the community. Come along to the church hall to enjoy a cuppa, cake, chat and the occasional entertainment on the last Saturday of the month. Share with friends and neighbours who you think will benefit from enjoying the afternoon.

Bereavement Café- Thurs 3 July, 10.00–11.30am: Everyone is affected by bereavement in different ways. If you would benefit from a friendly supportive environment and a chance to chat with other bereaved folk, please come along. We meet in the hall on the 1st Thursday of each month. You are welcome to come along for a coffee and there is no need to book.

Churchyard Working Party – Sat 5 July, 9-12pm: The second of this year's working parties is in July. We are heavily reliant on volunteers to come and help maintain the churchyard from long grass, invasive ivy, keep the borders neat and tidy. Our contracted gardener mows the majority of the grass and paths but not in and around the gravestones. Please put this date in your diary and attend if you can. The next opportunities will be Sat 30 Aug and Sat 18 Oct.

Homemade Stall and Secondhand Books – Sun 6 July, 10.40-11.30am: Last month's Homemade Stall raised £285, thanks to all our generous bakers and gardeners. We do need your contributions every time! We're back on Sun 6th July, but we take a break for August and are return on 7th Sept being the first Sunday in the month. Do please bring your garden produce and your culinary creations and anything homemade, to help us raise funds for Homework Clubs and Apprenticeships in Nairobi's slums.

Messy Church – Thurs 10 Jul, 3.30-5pm: Join us on the 2nd Thursday of the month for a form of church for children and adults involving creativity, celebration and hospitality through crafts, stories, songs - both in the church and the hall - finishing with a meal for the children.

PSCO Marion Hawkins at the Community Fridge – Mon 14 July, 10-11am: Marion from Surrey Police will be visiting the Community Fridge again to listen to your concerns and give advice on various issues including ASB and Fraud, as long as she's not called elsewhere in the church hall. Please feel free to come along and chat to Marion over a cuppa. She will also pop in on 11 Aug, 8 Sept, 6 Oct, 3 Nov and 1 Dec.



St Mary's Golf Day – Thurs 31 July, tees from 2pm: Brian is taking bookings for the St Mary's Fetcham golf day at The Drift in East Horsley. This year the cost will be £55 for golf (including the BBQ afterwards). If you just want to come for the BBQ then it is £20, likely eat about 7pm. If you need a buggy it will cost £35 (Two people can share). Please [sign up to this event](#) so we can gauge interest, and also contact you with any information. If you have any questions please contact Brian Egles or via office@stmarysfetcham.org.uk

Ride and stride – Sat 13 Sept: Help raise a thousand pounds again, with half going to restore Surrey churches of all denominations and half coming back directly to St Mary's. Speak with Sarah if you might like to participate in this year by walking or cycling around some of our beautiful Surrey churches. Put the date in your diary now, and start getting sponsors. It creeps up very quickly!. To find out more visit: www.nationalchurchestrust.org/explore/do/ride-stride-churches



SAVE THE DATE - Heritage Open Day - Sat 20 Sept: We open the church annually to visitors from far and wide as part of the national Heritage Open Days. Please put the date in your diary, particularly if you would like to volunteer to help welcome visitors and steward within the church, serve refreshments or do some cake baking. More details to follow later in the summer.

Youth Drop-In – Monday term time, 4-5.30pm: For schools years 7-9 throughout the year (and year 6 for Summer Term), we run a drop-in session for any young people in the community to unwind after school with table tennis, cooking and more. Come along with a friend and check it out! **End of term BBQ on Mon 14 July.**



Repair Café – Sat 2 Aug, 10am-12.30pm: The August session will be taking place at Bookham Barn Hall. Same time, same service! Tell your friends. Make a note in your diaries!

Family Fun Summer Sessions – Wed 20 & 27 Aug, 9.30-11am: A time for all the family to enjoy a place to have fun. Join us for a morning of craft, messy play, games and more. Refreshments will be served throughout the session. No need to book. All welcome.

Other News

Weekend closure of the Cobham Road bridge (over the M25), Stoke D'Abernon, Surrey - 9pm Friday 27 June to 6am Monday 30 June 2025: This essential work will ensure the continued safety and reliability of the bridge, extend its useable lifespan, and reduce the risk of unplanned closures at short notice. The bridge will be closed over two weekends to safely complete some of the required work activities. The first full weekend closure, where they'll re-waterproof the bridge and replace an expansion joint at the southern end of the bridge, is planned between 9pm Friday 27 June and 6am Monday 30 June 2025. **They'll be able to safely complete the rest of their work overnight, closing the bridge between 9pm and 6am on Monday 30 June, Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 July.** When the Cobham Road bridge is closed, directly above the M25, there will be a fully signed diversion route via Leatherhead.



Contingency closures - In case we need to reschedule this work, we've arranged two contingency closures between 11-14 July and 18-21 July 2025 (9pm Friday to 6am Monday). Should our work go as planned, however, these additional weekend closures won't be required and won't be installed.

Additional information - A second full weekend closure is expected to take place later in the year and we'll provide details of this when the date is confirmed.

Please check their webpage www.nationalhighways.co.uk/se-maintenance for updates and look out for temporary signs at the roadside, which will provide advance notice of scheduled closures.

Trauma: more relevant to everyday life than we realise - Sat 5 July, 10am–12.30pm: We are familiar with trauma resulting from a bad car crash, or at the hands of a violent partner, or as the result of a chronic illness etc. However, whilst trauma can result from all those things, it also encompasses so much more. Go along to the session to learn what trauma actually is, where it comes from, and how it is surprisingly relevant to most of our lives. Find out how it effects our bodies, minds, and behaviour. Explore what can be done to help in practical ways and learn to start noticing better what is going on in and around you. Coffee available from 9.30 am. at Godalming Baptist Church, Queen Street, Godalming, Surrey GU7 1BA. Led by Libby Williams, Counsellor and Tutor. Please reserve a place, with payment of £7, by contacting Sally Pollard on pollard3@hotmail.co.uk or call 01483 428646 by Fri 27 June.

Faure Requiem – Bookham Choral Society – Sun 6 July, 4pm: Ravel Requiem and works by Stephen Paulus and Howard Goodall at St Nicholas Church, Bookham. Tickets available [online](#), bcsexboxoffice@gmail.com or call Linda on 01372 375644 or on the door.

Taizé Prayer Service - Wed 23 July, 7pm, Guildford Cathedral: There are plans to hold services of Taizé Prayer in the Cathedral every quarter. If you are interested in singing in a small, four-part, mixed voice group to lead the congregational chants, please contact [Canon Rachel Young](#). There will be a rehearsal on Sun 20 July from 3- 4.30 pm.

Living Well in Older Age – Wed 30 July, 10.30-12pm: Meet an expert from Mole Valley Life to find out about equipment such as scan call blockers and alarm buttons, which are available to those who are elderly living alone, vulnerable or who have disabilities. Taking place at Bookham Library for over 65s and carers. Tea & Coffee provided, suggested £2 donation. Contact Liz Tapp, The Anna Chaplain on ac@themeetingplace.org.uk or 07518 735729.

Ladywell Retreat Centre Away Day - Oasis In The Desert - Sat 20 Sept, 10am - 4pm: An ecumenical day of refreshment, encouragement and food for thought for women of all ages, in the peace and beautiful surroundings of Ladywell Retreat Centre, Godalming. Led by Linda Chamberlain. Who would wish to live in a desert? To reserve a place (£28) including a cooked lunch & refreshments) by Fri 22 Aug please contact Sally Pollard email: pollard3@hotmail.co.uk or tel: 01483 428646

Services

Sun 8am Communion Service : said Book of Common Prayer

Sun 9:30am Communion Service : sung Common Worship

Sun 11:15am Worship Service : informal with worship band

Mon 10am Prayer & Pastries: Celtic daily prayer reflective space

Thurs 10am: (3rd monthly) Communion Service

Prayers

Each day there is space for free prayer for us to bring whatever is on our hearts to God, but you don't need to pray out loud. All are welcome to join us during these times of prayer, whether you prefer to pray quietly in your heart, or out loud. All are welcome to join us at St Mary's for:

Private Prayer in Church: Monday to Saturday 9am to 3pm

Monday Morning Prayer: 8:30am to 9:00am 'Celtic Morning Prayer'

Monday Prayer & Pastries: 10.30am to 11am

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning: 9.00 – 9.30 'Time to Pray'

Diocesan Calender of Prayer: In [June](#) we pray for the Farnham and Godalming.

We continue to pray for those who are unwell: Lynn Alsop, Linda Baily, Christopher Bishop, Fay Burroughs, Robert Butler, Sally Dart, Barbara Grant, Elaine Mead, Gillian Mills and Rose Pinto.

For those in residential care:

Jill Gray and June Williams

And for Jennie Coles and her family as they mourn the loss of her mother Isobel Ayshford.

Prayer & Pastries – Mondays term time, 10.30am: Everyone is welcome to join us in church from 10.30am. After about 20 minutes we then head over to the church for tasty pastries, a cuppa and a chat!



Diary Dates 2025

Sat 28 June – Afternoon Tea, 3-4.30pm
Thurs 3 July - Bereavement Café, 10.00 – 11.30 in the hall
Sat 5 July – Repair Café, 10-12.30am
Sat 5 Jul – Churchyard Working Party, 9:00am to 12:00pm
Sun 6 July – Homemade stall & Second-hand books
Fri 11 July – A Crafty Night In!, 7.30-9.30pm
Thurs 10 July - Messy Church, 3.30-5pm
Thurs 17 July– Hear Here & Thursday Morning Coffee, 10.30-11.30am
Sat 26 July – Afternoon Tea, 3-4.30pm
Thurs 31 July – St Mary's Golf Day
Sat 2 Aug – Repair Café at Bookham Barn Hall
Thurs 7 Aug - Bereavement Café, 10.00 – 11.30 in the hall
Thurs 17 Aug– Hear Here & Thursday Morning Coffee, 10.30-11.30am
Wed 20 Aug – Family Fun Summer Session, 9.30-11am
Wed 27 Aug – Family Fun Summer Session, 9.30-11am
Sat 30 Aug – Churchyard Working Party, 9:00am to 12:00pm
Sun 6 Sept– Homemade stall & Second-hand books
Sat 13 Sept – Ride & Stride
Sat 20 Sept – Heritage Open Day

Future

Sat 19 Oct – Churchyard working Party, 9:00am to 12:00pm

Regulars

Monday – Community Fridge 10-11am (not open on Bank Holidays)
Monday – Community Coffee Shop 10-11.30am (not open on Bank Holidays)
Monday* - Prayer and Pastries, 10.30-11am
Monday*- The Drop-In (School Yrs 7-13) 4-5.30pm
Tuesday* – Youth Night (School Yrs 7-13) 1st and 3rd monthly 7-8.30pm
Wednesday* - Footprints Baby & Toddlers 10-11.30am
Thursday – Bereavement Café (1st monthly) 10-11.30am
Thursday – Messy Church (all the family) 2nd monthly 3.30-5pm
Thursday – Hear Here & Thursday Morning Coffee, 10.30-11.30am
Thursday – Café Church (4th monthly) 3.30-5pm
Thursday* - Youth Band Rehearsal, 7-8pm – details on flyer
Saturday - Repair Café (1st monthly), 10-12.30am
Saturday - Men's Breakfast Club (3rd), 9.30-11.30am
Saturday – Afternoon Tea (last monthly) – 3-4.30pm
Sunday – Homemade stall & Secondhand books (1st monthly) 9.40-11.30am
Sunday* – Activ8 for under 11s and Sunday Youth for 11+ during 11.15 service

Epsom & Ewell Foodbank (Good Company)



In May we supported 483 people, **179 were children**. Stocks are low, with many of our essential items in the **urgent** category. Please help us as we support people experiencing financial hardship in our community. Donations dropped off at St Mary's are taken directly to the Leatherhead hub every month. Our collection box is located at the front of the church hall. This week's Wish List:

Urgent: Tinned tomatoes, Tinned fruit, Sweetcorn, Cooking Sauces, Pasta Sauce, Dried Pasta in Sauce, Microwave Rice, Non dairy milk, Powdered Milk, Long Life Juice, Long life Sponge puddings, Custard, Deodorant (Male/Female)

Also: Tinned Meat, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Spaghetti, Instant Coffee / Tea, Squash, Ketchup/Mayonnaise, Porridge, Chocolate Spread, Jam/Honey/Marmalade/Peanut Butter, Sugar (500g), Rice Pudding, Savoury Biscuits, Biscuits, Cereal Bars, Adult Toothbrushes, Kids toothpaste age 0-2 & 6+, Shampoo & Conditioner, Tampons / Sanitary Towels

Strong shopper bags and bags for life

Please ensure donations are sealed, in date and do not contain alcohol.

Thank you!

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Twitter: <https://twitter.com/StMarysFetcham>
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Hearing Aid Supplies: contact Jacky on 01372 602092 or family.breadmore@gmail.com

Recycling – No more Milk Bottle Tops please

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