

What's On!

August

St MARY'S
FETCHAM

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FAMILY FUN PLAY SESSION

FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST
OPEN PLAY SESSION

10 - 11:30 AM
ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL

Come and enjoy time for all the family including play games, messy play, building blocks, crafts and more.

Refreshments will be served throughout the morning.
For up to date information visit our social media and website.

For More Info
stmarysfetcham.org

St Marys Church 10A The Ridgeway
Fetcham KT22 9AZ



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SUMMER
MESSY
Church

WEDNESDAY
12TH AUGUST
10 - 11:30 AM

St Mary's Church Hall
The Ridgeway.
KT22 9AZ

Come and join us for some summer fun, games, crafts ice cream sundaes. Light snacks and drinks will be provided

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FAMILY FUN WALK

WEDNESDAY 19TH AUGUST

10:30 AM MEET AT
BOOKHAM COMMON TUNNELS
CAR PARK

Come and enjoy a walk for all ages, with a stop for refreshments

Follow us on social media and website for up to date information
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Last night I was worshipping in the Big Top at New Wine. As we were led in singing 'Awake my soul and sing' at the opening of the week here, I was struck again by the lyrics of the bridge: 'And when he moves, and when we pray, where stood a wall now stands a way, where every promise is Amen. And when he moves, make no mistake, the bowels of hell begin to shake, all hail the Lord all hail the King!'

I wonder if you have sometimes struggled to believe in the power of prayer? I once heard J John say: 'When we pray, coincidences happen!' I can say with heartfelt conviction that prayer changes things, and it changes us too as we align with God's promises and purposes, and as we open our eyes to see God at work. In essence, prayer helps us to put God at the centre of our lives.

Although morning prayer isn't happening on weekdays in church during August, I will still be praying each day from wherever I am, whether in Fetcham or on holiday. This is part of my daily rhythm and it is such a beautiful way to begin the day; intentionally with God, inviting his presence in my life; in whatever the day might hold in store.

In September we'll be back in church on weekdays at 9am for morning prayer again, Prayer & Pastries will begin again (10.30am on Mondays), and we're really excited that we'll be hosting a 24/7 prayer weekend... keep a look out for more info in due course! In the meantime though, wherever we find ourselves over August - whether you'll be going away on holiday or staying at home, I encourage you to keep talking to God. Bring God into your daily lives, into the ordinary every day as well as into your struggles... God created us. God knows us. God sees us and God loves us. We are made for relationship with God and (as St Augustine famously said), our heart is restless until it finds its rest in God.

Finally, we'd love to be praying for you - if you have a prayer request, big or small, please don't hesitate to be in touch so we can hold you in prayer. And if you'd like to share your answers to prayer - the ways you've seen God at work, big or small, please don't hesitate to be in touch so we can hold you in prayer. And if you'd like to share your answers to prayer - the ways you've seen God at work, big or small - we'd love to hear from you too. Let us encourage one another and build each other up in faith, for God is Lord and King! God is good! God is at work! Let's keep talking to him and pursuing his presence in our lives - and let's encourage each other to do the same.

Rev Leah Bates



YOUTH CAR WASH

2-4pm, Sunday 30th August

Come and bring your car along to St Mary's for a thorough and friendly clean by the young people! Tea, coffee and cake provided while you wait!

Pay as little or as much as you can all donations go toward funding for our Youth Weekend Away in October 2026

Please let Joe know if you are coming so we have an idea of quantity of cars! youthstmarysfetcham.org.uk

Joe finished his FiM course

Foundations in Ministry is a diocesan-run course for those beginning their first ministry post, whether in student, youth or children and families ministry, and whether part-time or full-time.

Over the past year I have spent every (term time) Monday learning, worshipping and networking alongside other ministers/workers serving in these areas. We revisited the foundations of youth work and explored theology across the whole bible, spent a lot of time looking at children's development in different ways and techniques, and we also shared ideas, resources and experiences from our different ministry contexts.

It has been a hugely encouraging year. I've built connections with inspiring and knowledgeable people who all share a heart for taking the Gospel to those under 18. The course has also given me space to think strategically about the future of our youth ministry, helping me plan for the next five years. Along the way, it has given me plenty of food for thought and strengthened my own faith. As my faith has grown through the prayer and support of this group, so too has my confidence and vision for the direction of our youth ministry at St Mary's even if not all the details are fleshed out yet.

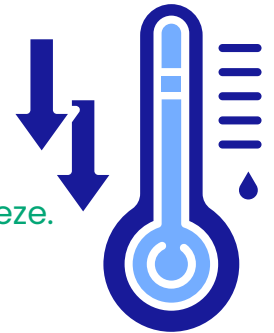
I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity to take part in Foundations in Ministry and look forward to putting all that I have learned into practice in the months and years ahead.

ECO CHURCH

Keeping cool at home in high temperatures:

- Keep windows closed until it's cooler outside than in.
- Block the heat from outside before it enters the house - shade windows and walls using external coverings (e.g. sails, white sheets, garden parasols, large potted plants).
- Turn off lights and electronics when not in use.
- Avoid using the oven - switch to microwave.
- Run dishwasher/washing machine at night when it's cooler.
- Hang laundry outside instead of using a tumble drier.
- Switch to LED bulbs which produce less heat.
- Place a shallow bowl of ice water in front of a fan to generate a cool breeze.

For further tips see the Zero Carbon Guildford blog on their website '[Keeping ZERCOOL cool this summer](#)'.



Diary for August

Click on individual dates for more details or email the office

Sat 1 Aug - Repair Café, 10am-12.30pm @ Bookham Barn Hall

Sun 1 Aug - no homemade stall

Mon 3 Aug - The Kitchen BBQ (ages 18-35), 8-10pm The Blacks

Thurs 6 Aug - Bereavement Café, 10-11.30am

Fri 7 Aug - Family Fun Play, 10-11.30am

Wed 12 Aug - Messy Church, 10-11.30am

17 Aug-4 Sept - Church Hall Closed for Heat Source work

Wed 19 Aug - Family Fun Walk, 10.30am (Bookham)

Thurs 20 Aug - Thurs Coffee Morning & Hear Here, 10.30-11.30am

Sat 29 Aug - Afternoon Tea, 3-4.30pm CANCELLED

Sun 20 Aug - Youth Car Wash, 2-4pm

Throw it? No Way!



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BRING YOUR ITEMS
ALONG TO BE FIXED

SATURDAY 1 AUGUST
10AM - 1PM

LAST ITEMS AT 12.30PM

OLD BARN HALL
55 CHURCH ROAD
BOOKHAM KT23 3PG



CHURCH HALL SUMMER CLOSURE

The second phase of the Net Zero Working project will take place in the hall from Mon 17th Aug to Fri 4th Sept. This is part of the second phase of the Net Zero project for the Hall and will see the old gas fired boiler and wet central heating / hot water system being replaced with an all electric air to air source heat pump. This will provide both warm air heating in the winter months and much needed cooling in the increasingly hot summer months. The first phase completed in January was the installation of the solar PV system on the Church Hall roof. This decarbonisation project is enabled through grants from Surrey County Council and Mole Valley District Council.

Whilst the hall will be closed weekdays during this period, staff are still on hand via email or phone. However, the closure will affect our usual hall activities. The Community Fridge will not be running for 3 weeks and the August Afternoon Tea is cancelled. We are currently planning to continue with both the Bereavement Café (3rd Sept) and Thursday Coffee inc Hear Here (20th Aug) and will meet in church for those two dates. The Hall will reopen on Sat 5th Sept for the Repair Café, and the Community Fridge on Mon 7th Sept.

COMMUNITY FRIDGE
Come and help yourself to surplus bread, fruit, veg and other goodies
MONDAYS 10-11 AM

COFFEE SHOP
Cuppa, cake and chat together, red seating & children's area
MONDAYS 10-11.30 AM

CLOSED
17, 24 & 31 Aug
HALL CLOSED

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Bereavement Café

Thursday 3 September
Meeting in church this session

A place to talk
with people who understand

St Mary's Church Hall : 10-11.30am
1st Thursday every month

The hall is closed
Join us in church

MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING
THURS 20 AUG 10.30-11.30am

All are welcome to enjoy a cuppa and chat alongside the FREE NHS Hearing Aid Clinic

Hear Here
BASIC MAINTENANCE
CLEANING & RETUBING
BATTERY SUPPLY

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Dates for the future...

Bereavement Cafe - Thurs 3 Sept, 10-11.30am in church
Repair Cafe - Sat 5 Sept, 10-12.30 in St Marys Church Hall
Prayer Weekend - Sat 5 Sept, 6am to Sun 6 Sept, 6pm
Evening Service - Sun 6 Sept, 6pm
Reading Group - Mon 7 Sept, 2.30pm at Jane's house.
Youth Drop-in **starts back** - Mon 7 Sept, 4-5.30pm
Toy cleaning / Creche Tidy - Wed 9 Sept, 9-12noon
Messy Church Goes Wild - Thus 10 Sept, 3.30-5pm
Footprints Baby & Toddler **starts back** - Wed 16 Sept, 10-11.30am
Heritage Open Day - Sat 12 Sept, 10am-4pm
Ride and Stride - Sat 12 Sept, 10am-4pm
Harvest Celebration Service - Sun 13 Sept, 10am in church
Harvest Social at Barracks Farm - Sun 13 Sept, 11.30am-2pm, £4
Wild Church - Sun 20 Sept, 11.15am Service
Pet Service - Sun 26 Sept, 3pm

Messy Church
GOES WILD

THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
3:30 - 5PM

Join us for outdoor crafts, challenges, stories, songs and more as we explore Harvest during our church Creationtide

St Mary's Church
The Ridgeway
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SAT 12 SEPT 2026

Visit our church and enjoy refreshments and a chat 10am to 4pm

heritage open days

Sat 12 Sept 2026



PARTICIPATE, BY WALKING OR CYCLING AROUND SOME OF OUR BEAUTIFUL SURREY CHURCHES

St MARY'S FETCHAM CONISBEES

BOOK NOW

Celebrate your local farm at HARVEST TIME

All are welcome for a fantastic community social opportunity, plus walk around the farm

SUN 13 SEPT : 11:00-14:00

Weekday morning prayer is taking a summer break and will be back in church from Monday to Thursday at 9am from Tuesday 1st September

Prayer & Pastries meets in term time on Mondays at 10.30am. The first session back after the summer break will be Monday 7th September.

The church is open for **private prayer Monday to Saturday 9.30am to 3pm**

If you would like us to **pray for you** or someone you love, email prayer@stmarysfetcham.org.uk

We continue to pray for those who are unwell:

Lynn Alsop, Sylvia Buchanan, Val Burton, Martin Carlton-Ward, Debbie Cole, Sheila Duffill, Barbara Grant, Irene Irving, Bill King, Ed McGrath, Elaine Mead, Gillian Mills, Vicky Puttock, Lucy Sandys and Jane Young

And for those in residential care:

Shirley Bevis, Penny Dodds, Jill Gray and June Williams



Diocesan Calendar of Prayer
August

Are you a baker or a craft-maker? - The Homemade Stall needs you!



The Homemade Stall runs on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 9.30am service in the hall. We sell cakes, jams, marmalade, crafts... anything homemade, in aid of the Urban Mission in Nairobi. We need more people to join our team creating produce to sell. Could you help us? Email the office if you'd like to find out more!



good company



In June they supported 428 people, 181 were children. They currently have 106 fewer crates of food than at this same time last year. Stocks are low, with many essential items now urgently needed. Please help continue supporting people facing financial hardship in our community.

Our green drop off box remains outside the church hall. Please donate longlife essentials like tinned food, toiletries, rice/pasta, nappies, sweet or savour treats

Services

Sundays

8am Communion Service

said Book of Common Prayer

9:30am Communion Service

sung Common Worship

11:15am Worship Service

informal with worship band

Thursdays

3:30-5pm Messy Church

(2nd monthly)

10am Communion Service

(3rd monthly)

Regulars

Monday – Community Fridge 10–11am (not Bank Holidays)

Monday – Community Coffee Shop 10–11.30am (not Bank Holidays)

Monday – The Kitchen, 8–10pm (1st monthly)

Monday* – Prayer and Pastries, 10.30–11am

Monday – Jane's House Reading Group, 2.30pm

Monday* – The Drop-In (School Yrs 7–13) 4–5.30pm

Wednesday* – Footprints Baby & Toddlers 10–11.30am

Wednesday* – Youth Night (School Yrs 7–13) 1st and 3rd monthly 7–8.30pm

Wednesday – the Junction (School yrs 9–13) 2nd monthly 7–9pm

Wednesday* – Youth Band Rehearsal, 7–8pm – details on flyer

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

Saturday – Repair Café (1st monthly), 10–12.30am

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

**Running in Term Time*



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