

Summer Holiday Club
CHAMPIONS CHALLENGE
26th July – 30th July 9.45am-12.15pm
Reception-Year 6
We need your help!

Most importantly we would value your prayers.

We would also appreciate **practical help with the following –**

- Leading groups
- Playing music
- Clearing up (after 12.15pm)
- odd jobs!
- Baking
- serving cakes and coffee to parents and carers

If you are available any of the days and would like to help, please speak to Alyson Bleakley 368340 or Liz Wood 770955. If you would like to commit to pray at some point during the holiday club please contact Jenny Hancox 505194.



“Using Adventure for Outreach.”

A free activity evening at Rock UK Carrotty Wood to build a team of people interested in using exciting adventure to outreach people on the fringes of church. Wednesday 21st July from 7.00 pm till 9.00pm.

Email matt.jones@rockuk.org for more information.

Visit by the Walkers ... We look forward to welcoming Peter & Georgie Walker back into the Parish in October. On Saturday 9th October, 9.30am-12.45pm, Peter will be speaking on *‘The Life & Work of Paul’*, at St Peter & St Paul followed by Lunch (open to anyone) in the Upper Lounge. Peter will also be preaching on Sunday 10th October, 10am at St Peter & St Paul.

11th & 18th
July 2010

**ST PETER & ST PAUL, ST ANDREW'S, ST PHILIP'S &
ST SAVIOUR'S**

Tonbridge Parish News

Dear Friends

God answers prayer

This has been one of my earliest memories of my own life story.

It is impossible to argue against or to avoid, but when God answers prayer it is very compelling evidence that He exists and that He cares.

This I found to be true long before I accepted Christ's invitation to follow Him. I have been once again reminded that God answers prayer in lots of ways when we come to Him in a united and sincere way. Sometimes in ways of our choosing, sometimes of course the answer is wait, more frequently it is more than we can ask or imagine.

May I encourage you to join with many across our Parish for the **Day of Prayer at St Philip's, 17th July, 8-8;** [full details on enclosed flyer].

We have much to thank God for in our midst, but also many ways in which we need to depend upon Him for the future.

Thank you to the St Philip's team for hosting this time for the whole Parish.

Yours in Christ

MARK BROWN

**** Please note the next whole Parish News will cover 5 Sundays over the summer. To be published on 25th July. Final deadline to Dawn Scrivener: 19th July. ****

New Bishop of Rochester...

We have just been informed by the Diocesan office that **The Right Revd James Langstaff** has been appointed as the new Bishop of Rochester. Since being ordained deacon in 1981 he has served in a number of parishes, mainly in the Diocese of Birmingham, before becoming Bishop of Lynn within the Diocese of Norwich in 2004. He is married to Bridget and they have two grown-up children.

“On Sunday 18th July at 10am,
we welcome to St Peter & St Paul,
Archdeacon Clive Mansell (to preach),
and Sue Murray, Mayor Elect of Tonbridge & Malling (to be commissioned),
with her invited guests.

Our regular Morning Service will be combined with the Mayor’s Civic Service
and our children & young people will remain in part to support the Mayor,
but also leave for their own activities
in GYM [Upper Room] & SOS [Upper Foyer].
There will be a crèche as usual, but in the Balcony Room.

All are welcome to this service and the refreshments offered
by The Mayor afterwards.

We do ask if possible for you to be seated by 9.50am.

Today’s collection will be split 3 ways
between The Mayor’s chosen charities: Spadework
& The Pickering Cancer Drop-in Centre, and our Parish funds -
many thanks.”

Outline Tea...

The next Outline Tea meeting will be on Sunday **18th July** 3pm-4.30pm
at St Peter & St Paul. Please contact Doris Jones for more information.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Monday 12th July:

please pray for a gathering of Tonbridge Area Churches Together, meeting at lunchtime today at St Peter & St Paul.

We thank God for all involved in our 4 Churches’ Leadership Teams, gathering together this evening at St Peter & St Paul

Wednesday 14th July:

please pray as Abi & others speak at a U3A study day on Jane Austen.

Friday 16th July: please pray for Come & Celebrate, today at the Scotts Project.

Saturday 17th July: ask for God’s blessing upon our intercessory prayer gathering today at St Philip’s.

Monday 19th July: please pray for the work of the PCC this evening.

Saturday 24th July:

please pray for Jo Stagg & Matthew and their families, as they celebrate their marriage, taking place today at St Peter & St Paul.

PRAY FOR GOD’S BLESSING
UPON OUR FINAL PREPARATIONS FOR HOLIDAY CLUB.

Many thanks again

I would just like to say many thanks to all who came to, helped organise and prayed for Roger’s funeral service on 1 July 2010. You all helped to make it a very memorable and uplifting day. I shall treasure the memory of the occasion for ever.

With my love and prayers, Sally (supported by Roger and Oswald!)

News from the Starbucks International Meeting Place.

A lovely au pair from the Czech Republic is looking for a new host family for September, preferably a Christian family in the Tonbridge or Tunbridge Wells area. Please email czechaupair@centrum.cz if you would like more details or know someone who is looking for an au pair.

SERVICE ROTA 11th & 18th July 2010

*Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard
seed, make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

St Peter & St Paul
10am Morning Service
'Learning from the Letters'
Lead & Preach: Revd Mark Brown
6.30pm Bell Ringers' Service
& Holy Communion
Lead: Helen Longley
Preach: Revd Peter Goodridge

St Andrew's
10am Holy Communion by Extn.
'Revelations ~ Laodicea'
Lead: Terry Collins
Preach: Brian Buck

St Philip's
10.30am Morning Service
'Living in the Spirit'
Lead: Norman Whitfield
Preach: Revd Peter Goodridge

St Saviour's
8am Holy Communion
Lead & Preach: Revd Peter Goodridge
10am Morning Service
Lead & Preach: Carrie Walshaw

St Peter & St Paul
8am Holy Communion
Lead & Preach: Revd Mark Brown
10am Morning Service including
Mayor's Civic Service
Lead: Revd Mark Brown
Preach: Ven Clive Mansell
6.30pm Evening Service
Lead: Jacky Wright
Preach: Revd Peter Goodridge

St Andrew's
10am Morning Service
Lead: Jenny Macpherson
Preach: Linda Beesley

St Philip's
10.30am Holy Communion
'The future hope'
Lead: Revd Peter Goodridge
Preach: Jacky Wright

St Saviour's
10am All Age Service
Lead & Preach: Helen Longley

Concert at the Parish Church

The Florin Trio and Joseph Sanders, oboe and cor anglais, are to give a very special concert at our parish church on Friday, 23rd July at 7.30. They are all members of top orchestras. The concert is entirely in aid of Hospice in the Weald and our Parish Church organ restoration fund, in equal parts. Please come and enjoy this special evening and support these two worthy causes. The programme includes Beethoven's String Trio in G Minor Op.9 No.1 and three works by Mozart : his Oboe Quartet, his Adagio for Cor Anglais and String Trio, and his Divertimento in E flat for String Trio. **Tickets £10 from Derek Payne on 01732 354228, derekcpayne@sky.com or 22, Mill Stream Place, Tonbridge, TN9 1QJ Please make cheques payable to Tonbridge Parish Church and send them to Derek.**

Barry and Sandra Stagg are pleased to announce
the **forthcoming marriage of their daughter Jo to Matthew Bullock**
on Saturday, 24th July at 1.30pm at St Peter & St Paul.
A warm invitation is extended to everyone in the parish who would like
to attend the ceremony and join them for a celebratory drink (and nibble!)
immediately after the service.

Mission Shaped Intro Course [a Diocesan course we are hosting for our Deanery]:
five weeks to rediscover mission and re-imagine church - Mondays from 13th
September - 18th October (except 4th October) at St Philip's Church. Booking
forms now available in our churches. Don't miss this opportunity to find out
more about Fresh Expressions of church.

Your Church Needs You

For Outreach, Family fun day and B.T.C.S. All happening in September 11—18 and 26th.

Prayer support, visiting local areas, helping and organizing family fun day.

Try something new! There will be times when you will feel inadequate for the task;
many plausible excuses will come to mind.

Remember the words of Jesus in Luke's gospel (9.62):

"No-one who puts his hand to the plough and looks back
is fit for the service in the kingdom of God"

Please call Tom Robertson on 368206 or Ray Tanner 351422.

Outreach Family Fun day

This event is to be held on the green by **at St. Philip's Church on Saturday 18th September from 1pm-4pm**. It is a free event that an outreach team will have invited people to, and it will be generally advertised in the local area. We have a barbeque, refreshments, sideshows and arena attractions organised already. Now we really do need your help on the day to "man" the various things. If you are able to make a cake, put up a stall, cook a burger, help clear up or put up signs etc etc etc, we would love to hear from you. It sounds a long way away but without people to help, the fun could go! Please let Ray 351422 or Tom and Julie 368206 or myself, Catherine 867586 know if you are able to help. Thank you!