

# ST GEORGE'S NEWSLETTER

*Serving God and the community in Chichester*

## EIGHTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY

21 July 2024



### **Dear friends,**

It is with joy that during the All-Age Eucharist today eight children from our parish will be baptised and eleven will receive their first communion. Baptism and Eucharist are the core sacraments by which each of us comes to belong to God within the life of the Church. By the waters of baptism, we are incorporated into the death and resurrection of Christ and become part of Christ's community, the Church. By the bread and wine of the Eucharist, what began in baptism is celebrated and deepened. We are nourished by Christ's real presence who is our real spiritual food. As we receive Christ into hearts and minds, we are remade into the body of Christ together with all those others who have been baptised and who receive communion. Indeed, through Baptism and the Eucharist, we concretely discover that it is with these others that we belong. We are family. We are friends bound together in the love of God and the love of our fellow human beings within a kingdom to which all are welcome and where the smallest are made the greatest. And so, it is only right that children should be wholeheartedly welcomed into and celebrated at the heart of this sense of belonging in their baptism and first communion. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me" (Matt. 19:14). What is more, another cause for celebration takes place on Wednesday this week when four older children and three adults from St George's will be confirmed by Bishop Will at Chichester Cathedral. He will anoint them with the oil of chrism and seal them with the Holy Spirit, the Spirit who will complete what was begun in their baptism, strengthen them in their faith, become their innermost confidant, and help them to live out their identity as children of God as members of the body of Christ, serving God and others in all they are and do. Let us pray for all those who will be baptised and confirmed and receive their first communion. And let us rejoice with them.

*With my prayers and blessings,*

**Fr Angus**

### **DONATE TO ST GEORGE'S**

The life and mission of St George's depend on your support. There are many ways to donate:

**Gift Aid:** Gift Aid envelopes are available in church that enable us to reclaim tax on donations made by UK taxpayers, increasing the donation by 25%.

**Regular Giving:** Setting up a standing order, preferably via the Parish Giving Scheme. Forms are available at the back of church.

**Contactless Giving:** A card reader is available in church for card donations. Card donations are also accepted via our website.

**[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk):** Use this when you buy online. For each purchase, a donation will be made to your nominated charities.

**QR code:** Scan this image to donate via your smartphone:



**Thank you for your generosity.**

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### **NEW TO ST GEORGE'S?**

Welcome! If you have any questions, please ask a Warden or Fr Angus, we are happy to help.

### **VOLUNTEERING**

There are many ways to engage at St George's. Please ask the Rector or Wardens.

### **COME AND SING!**

Our choir sings at the main services and practises once a week. You are welcome to come along. Contact Susan Howell Evans.

ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER: [newsletterwhyke@outlook.com](mailto:newsletterwhyke@outlook.com)

*Please submit by Thursday*

# PARISH NOTICES

## Farewell From Fred Corbin

It is with great sorrow to hear that Fred Corbin has been diagnosed with a terminal illness. Fred has decided to move to Gloucester to be with his family there while he receives palliative care. Fred would like to thank everyone for all good memories he has built with them at St George's over the last 50 years or so, and especially for the celebration of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday earlier this year. Fred will be sorely missed. We are grateful for the remarkable person Fred is and all that he has done for St George's and its people over the years. Fred goes with our love and thanksgiving. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

## Goodwood Raffle Today

Win a pair of tickets to the August Bank Holiday racing, or a pair of tickets to Goodwood Revival, both guaranteed to be a great day out. Raffle tickets will be available for £1 after today's service.

## New Lawn Mower For The Churchyard - Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has donated towards the new lawn mower for the churchyard. We are well on our way to meeting the full cost which is wonderful. If you are still interested in making a donation, please see Sam Kelly after the service for details.

## Last Friday Concert – 26 July @ 7:30pm

Next Friday's recital will be given by Tim Ravalde, one of the country's finest organists. He will be joined by a French Horn player - John Peskett - and they will add further variety to the evening by combining for piano duets. The evening starts at 7.30pm and interval refreshments are included in the ticket price (£10 online by clicking [here](#) or by scanning the QR code on the poster or £12 at the door on the night).

## Summer Children's Eco Church

This summer families and children are welcome to come and learn how to care God's creation, with crafts and activities. This will take place on Sundays in August, 10-11:30am. If you have any questions, please speak to Sam Kelly or Zara Cross

## Children's Toy And Clothes Swap Shop

As part of the children's Eco church activities, we plan to hold a children's swap shop on Sunday 18th August after Sunday morning Mass. Please bring your unwanted toys, books and clothes to church and swap them for items you would like. Please make sure items are in good condition. Any left over items will be sold at the Produce Show in the autumn.

## Independent Safeguarding Audit

Please do complete the INEQE survey regarding safeguarding practice. Everyone's view is important. The survey can be found here: <https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/chichester/>

## Celebrating Our Diocese And Our Faith

2025 will mark the 950th anniversary of the formation of the Diocese of Chichester and Chichester Cathedral and 1700 years since the Nicene Creed. Find about events here: <https://celebratingfaith.co.uk/>. Bishop Martin has also invited everyone to respond to [four questions](#) about their faith. There is also an invitation to send in photographs. Details about that can be located [here](#).

## Chichester Deanery Five-A-Side Football Tournament

The deanery is hosting a five-a-side football tournament for children, taking place on Sunday 1 September at Sidlesham Primary School There are two age categories: 10-13 years old and under 10 years old. To register a team or find out more, contact Lesley Bromley ([lesleybromley@btinternet.com](mailto:lesleybromley@btinternet.com)).

## Special Services

11 Aug Healing Mass

## Upcoming Events

3 Aug Coffee Morning event

14 Sep Autumn Produce Show

## Friends Of St Mary's Churchyard

The Friends are a group of volunteers who care for, celebrate, and enhance our churchyard as a sacred space and haven for wildlife. For info, scan here the QR code. You can also email [friendswhyke@gmail.com](mailto:friendswhyke@gmail.com).



## Prayer List

If you want to add someone to the parish prayer list, please contact the parish office or Fr Angus.

## Pastoral Ministry

Please contact Fr Angus for pastoral matters like visits, baptism, confirmation, first communion, weddings, funerals, house blessings, etc.

## Sacrament Of Reconciliation (Confession)

Available by appointment with the Rector.

# THIS WEEK

## SERVICES

### 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity 21 July

10:00am All-Age Eucharist with first communions

#### Morning Prayer

8:45-9:15am Monday-Thursday

#### Mid-Week Masses in Lady Chapel

11:30am Said Mass (followed by refreshments)

9:30am Thursday

#### Meditation in Lady Chapel (term time only)

5:30-6pm Monday

### 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity 28 July

10:00am Choral Mass (no J-team)

## EVENTS

### St George's Tots, 22 July 10:30am-12pm

### Cathedral Confirmation Service, 24 July 7pm

### Friday Concert, 26 July 7:30pm