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Dear friends,

**In Southwerk at the Tabard as I lay  
Redy to wenden on my pilgrimage  
To Caunterbury with ful devout corage,  
At night was come in-to that hostelrye  
Wel nyne and twenty in a compaignye,  
Of sondry folk, by aventure y-falle  
In felawshipe, and pilgrims were they alle,  
That toward Caunterbury wolden ryde;**

I admit to stretching the imagination a little! I confess that I wasn't at the Tabard Inn in Southwark, and I apologise to Geoffrey Chaucer (c1340-1400) for borrowing part of the Prologue to the Canterbury Tales, but I thought that people might like to hear some reflections of the parish trip to Canterbury a few weeks ago.

We set off at a fairly early hour from Whiteman's Green and the skies were an almost cloudless blue, remaining so for the whole day. We made extraordinarily good time, arriving in the city before 10.00am. and although we were slightly further from the cathedral than expected, the whole group made a leisurely walk alongside the River Stour and into the narrow streets of the city.

The entrance to the cathedral close is through Christ Church Gate, a Perpendicular gate built by one of the last priors of Canterbury in the early 1500s, and on entering one can take in virtually the whole length (nearly 600 feet) of the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of Christ – the mother church of the world-wide Anglican Communion.

The arrival of St Augustine of Canterbury, sent at the behest of Pope Gregory the Great to proclaim the Gospel, marked the cathedral's foundation in 598

and it remained a monastic church for the best part of 1,000 years until Henry VIII's reforms. During that period, it became an extraordinary focus for the religious and political life of the nation. Here are buried Henry IV and Edward Plantagenet, the Black Prince. Perhaps most evocatively, the north transept was the site of the martyrdom of Thomas Becket on 29<sup>th</sup> December 1170. His stand against the political power of Henry II led his tomb to become one of the greatest pilgrimage sites in Europe and his feast day is still celebrated by the whole Western Church on that date.

We were fortunate to be able to celebrate a Eucharist together in the Jesus Chapel – the easternmost part of the crypt, formed under the Corona or Becket's Crown- a light-flooded space- and there was the opportunity to immerse oneself in the quietude of a sacred space, made holy by the prayers of pilgrims through the centuries. The cathedral is a busy place with numerous tourists, yet it was still possible to take in that sense of God's presence in people's lives which in all sorts of ways has shaped and formed the building and all it contains and stands for. I hope that people felt as I did, that having the opportunity to pray for our own church and community of Cuckfield was an integral and important part of a very special day.

With love,  
Michael

## **FROM THE VICAR'S DESK**

**Harvest** Just to remind everyone that we are celebrating Harvest on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October when we welcome gifts of dried or tinned food in aid of Family Support Work. Please do give generously to those in particular need within our area. Services are at the normal time: 8.00 Holy Communion, 9.45 (Family Eucharist and Baptism), 11.00 Prayer Book Eucharist and 6.00 Harvest Evensong. In celebration of Harvest we also have a Barn Dance in church on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October – tickets obtainable from Hilary (400087), Nicky (473753) or Gill (456461 - parish office).

**Michael for Mayor** As you know, my mayoral ambitions received a slight setback when the Organ-a-thon had to be cancelled owing to my recent bout of ill-health. However, I am most grateful to Ros Thunder and Helen Sparkes and their team for the fundraising 'Anglo-Indian-Cornish Supper.' We had

a super evening with really great food. Thank you so much to all who also came and supported the evening. To date we have raised an astonishing £980 for the Independent State and the community causes it supports!

**Village Service** It has been the tradition in recent years to celebrate the election of the mayor with a village service. In recent times, however, numbers have not been great for that particular act of worship. It is my intention therefore to revert to a normal Sunday Eucharist on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, when we will of course welcome the mayor and also pray for our community. I am optimistic enough to hope that people would consider every act of worship at Holy Trinity as a village service!

**Samara's Aid** Many thanks to all who contributed to our recent appeal for winter clothing to be sent out to the refugee camps in and surrounding Syria. People's lives are enhanced and, indeed, some saved through such action and I am grateful that we are able to support such direct action.

**Confirmation Service** The Bishop of Chichester is visiting Holy Trinity for a deanery confirmation on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. Please do pray for our own candidates and all of those to be confirmed. Please do come to support people on this special stage of their Christian journey – I know that they would appreciate it.

**Sandra** On the same day (10<sup>th</sup> November) Sandra Hall is being installed by the Bishop of Horsham as Rector of Slinfold and Itchingfield (she has until now been priest-in-charge) and the Rev. Rosemary Cattell licensed as Associate Priest to the two parishes. Please do remember them both in your prayers.

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## THE PARISH MAGAZINE

For the foreseeable future, we shall be operating with a rota of duty editors taking it in turn to edit the magazine, covering for each other's absences.

To help with this, we have introduced a new email address:

**duty-editor@holytrinitycuckfield.org**

Mail to this address will forward to whoever is the editor for the month, and we would encourage all our contributors to start using this address, please, as the quickest and easiest way to reach the editor of the month. Replies to you will come from the real person who is on duty, however!

We hope this will work seamlessly for us all and, in the meantime, copy date for the **November edition** of the magazine is no later than **MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**.

**Please note we have a tight production schedule in October to accommodate holidays and late material may not make it into the magazine as a result. Your help with that is appreciated in advance!**

*The Editorial Team*

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On Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2016

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## MUSIC FOR A ROYAL OCCASION

We were all delighted to celebrate HM the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in April this year and later many of us watched her presence at the annual "Trooping of the Colour" on her "official" birthday.

So, on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October I will present a programme of music in Holy Trinity church, as a contribution to the celebrations. The programme will include music connected to our monarchs over the last 300 years - by Handel, Beethoven, Elgar and Walton, played on either piano or organ.

The recital will start at 1.00 p.m. – light refreshments will be served from 12.30 p.m. Admission free but donations most welcome.

*Ken Sagar*

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## KIDS FOR KIDS ROYAL TEA PARTY

On Friday 12th August I held in my garden a Tea Party for this wonderful charity in Darfur, Sudan. Everyone who came had to wear a hat for it was commemorating the Queen's 90th Birthday. This charity was founded 16 years ago by Patricia Parker MBE, voted International Woman of the Year by Rotary International last year. She'd seen a little boy walking with two jerry cans and wondered why. It was to get water for his goats and he had to walk for 7 hours to get it. A goat then cost a fiver, now its £40.00. This was the start. Now 84 villages are on their feet again, water for goats, donkey carts, midwives, vets, you name it, solar panels and of course applications for help keep pouring in. For a couple of years, before the reordering, Holy Trinity supported this charity.

Due to the generosity of my friends who came and those who couldn't, I was able to send a cheque for just over £560.00. I

suggested 7 goats, 2 donkeys and 2 donkey ploughs should be purchased and the rest of the money to whatever else was needed most. Thank you to all who supported me.

Patricia runs this charity with just the help of one person over here in Dorking and two in Darfur, so overheads are minimal Please look up the website if you would like to know more: [www.kidsforkids.org.uk](http://www.kidsforkids.org.uk)

Not only was there tea but a wonderful display of superb hats by Jenny Rimmer of Sussex Hat Hire (hats & fascinators in all colours and styles for any occasion). If you ever need one, please consider hiring one of hers. She has over 400 for you to choose from and you will be helping another charity if you do.

*Sally Williams*

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## **WALKING ON WATER - MODERN CHRISTIAN ART COMES TO HAYWARDS HEATH**

Haywards Heath Methodist church is busy preparing for an exciting event next summer. We are to host, with the help of our friends at the URC, an exhibition of paintings from the renowned **Methodist Modern Art Collection** between 22<sup>nd</sup> June and 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

The collection contains works by artists such as **Graham Sutherland, Maggi Hambling, Elisabeth Frink and Eric Gill** and there will be a full programme of supporting workshops and musical events throughout. Entry to the exhibition will be free.

Please put a note in your diaries for next year to be sure not to miss this special opportunity. Even more important, please give some thought to making the most of the exhibition by offering to help. If you enjoy art and talking to people perhaps you

would like to join the team of stewards which will be needed both at the Methodist Church and at the URC in Haywards Heath – the artworks will be on display at both venues. Full training will be given to exhibition stewards.

If stewarding is not for you there will be many other tasks, behind the scenes, where your help could be invaluable, so we would love to hear from you if you can lend a hand either leading up to or during the exhibition.

If you would like to know more, please visit our website

[www.walkingonwaterart.org.uk](http://www.walkingonwaterart.org.uk) where you will find a link to the collection website and there view all the works.

If you have any questions or would like to put your name down to help, please contact [nicolajsheldon@gmail.com](mailto:nicolajsheldon@gmail.com) or ring her on 01444 412927. We look forward to hearing from you and to welcoming you to this exciting exhibition next summer.

*The Art Planning Group, Haywards Heath Methodist Church*

## **HAYWARDS HEATH MUSIC SOCIETY**

### ***75th Season***

**Sat 22nd October 2016**

Joanne Appleby (soprano) and Andrew Rees (tenor) singing popular pieces from opera and musicals on the theme of "Love".

7.45 p.m. St Wilfrid's Church, Haywards Heath

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If you are a Friend and would like to attend this event please contact [hannah.carter@ensemblereza.com](mailto:hannah.carter@ensemblereza.com). Friends can bring a guest but will need to purchase a guest ticket for £25.

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‘Railways in Sussex,’ an illustrated talk by John Blackwell. The talk will tie in with our display to celebrate the 175th anniversary of the coming of the railway to Haywards Heath. To reserve a place, please phone Mike Nicholson on 01444 457448’.

*Phillipa Malins*

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## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

It’s that time of the year again to look forward - not quite as far as Christmas - but certainly to Friday 9th December, when the 14th Christmas Tree Festival opens – this is the first date for your diaries. The Partner Charity this year is the Mid-Sussex Branch of the national charity Parkinson’s UK and you will be able to read about its work in next month’s Magazine.

As in previous years, we are looking to you all for your invaluable support. On Sunday 30th October volunteer forms will be available for you to offer your help in a variety of ways – this is the second date for your diaries. Please be prepared to sign up and help make this year’s Festival another huge success.

Thank you

*Sue Towns (on behalf of the CTF Planning Group)*



# WHAT'S ON AT THE CATHEDRAL



## SHADOWS OF THE WANDERER

**Until Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2016**  
**in the North Transept of the Cathedral**  
*Free entry and all are welcome*

The impressive exhibition of Ana Maria Pacheco's outstanding and powerful installation, *Shadows of the Wanderer*, continues until Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November. This is a multi-piece figurative sculpture in polychromed wood which resonates with contemporary and topical issues of exile, migration and the displacement of people struggling to flee persecution.

### **SUPPORTING EVENTS:**

A series of talks and workshops connected with Pacheco's work and the themes it explores:

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016:** 'People on the Move: exploring refugee experience.' A series of workshops for schools and colleges developed in partnership with Amnesty International. Contact the Education Department on 01243 812497 for further information.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2016, at 6.30pm:** Colin Wiggins in Conversation with Ana Maria Pacheco (Colin Wiggins is Special Projects Curator at the National Gallery, London). In the Cathedral, free entry and all are welcome.

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016:** Wood Carving Taster Workshops led by Alex Jones, a traditionally trained wood sculptor. 90 minute workshops will run throughout the day. Contact the Education Department on 01243 812497 for further information.

**Chichester Cathedral**  
**Free Lunchtime Concerts Autumn 2016**  
**Tuesdays, 1.10 p.m. – 2.00 p.m.**

4 <sup>th</sup> October	Pieces of Eight Wind and String Octet
11 <sup>th</sup> October	Terence Allbright Piano Timothy Ravalde Organ
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Charles Harrison Organ
25 <sup>th</sup> October	Chichester Symphony Orchestra
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Christ's Hospital Chamber Orchestra
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Artur Hafman Piano
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Claire Innes-Hopkins Organ

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*Feel free to come and go as you wish.*

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## **SAMARA'S AID UPDATE**

Dear friends

There has been a lot of continued fighting in the area where we are opening Eliana Hospital, our third in Syria. ISIS have not managed to advance further since my last update but are still so close, being just 1-2 km away. This is a predominantly Christian area, which has also been hosting a large number of displaced Muslim families. They do not have any military support there and the men from this city are now trying to protect their homes themselves.

Our medical teams are dealing with a lot of dead bodies and injuries, many of them caused by rockets. There are a lot of casualties with serious wounds and burns and the team are all volunteers, serving our brothers and sisters because of their compassion and love.

The lives of our team are in great danger there because the fighting is so close now, yet they have chosen to stay and help the people being injured in this relentless conflict. Some of the families of our teams have been evacuated to a safer area, and

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There is a very high level of fear in this area, and among our team today, as the source of the conflict is so close, and the aggressors show no mercy to anyone. The need for a fully functioning emergency hospital is urgent right now. It can't wait. Our team on the ground is working flat out to try to establish this hospital as quickly as possible, as there is no other hospital in this city that is functioning. It seems that even the private hospitals in this area have closed because the owners have fled.

Too many people will die without a hospital, driving more and more families into poverty. We are having to double our budget to ensure that we can buy the equipment needed and open Eliana as quickly as possible. It isn't easy, because not many are willing to travel to this area even to deliver the equipment.

Please continue to pray for the safety of our team working there as the fighting is so close and they are at great risk. Please also pray for their families and also the ordinary people living in this area. Our prayers are the biggest and most heartfelt request coming from our teams on the ground right now.

To see more about our medical work in Syria, and to find out how you can get involved in supporting our work, please click here: <http://www.samarasaidappeal.org/our-hospitals/>

Lastly, I apologise to those of you who have contacted me recently that I have not been able to respond to. I am juggling a lot of different projects at the moment and it is a challenge to fit everything into each day along with two children. If you have any questions about our winter aid appeals, please contact Helen ([helenshires@yahoo.com](mailto:helenshires@yahoo.com)) or any of the other contacts listed on our website, who will be happy to answer your questions. Thanks so much for your patience.

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Below is the testimony of Yasser, an Iraqi Christian from Baghdad. His story is typical of the many people we are helping - followers of Yesua who have been terrorised and displaced by sectarian violence.

### **Yasser's Story**

Yasser was born and lived in Baghdad. He worked as a welder, a job he did to provide for his two small children. In July 2014 an anonymous note arrived at Yasser's place of work, followed by a phone call. Both made clear that Yasser and his family were not safe.

"I had no choice. My daughter was 4 years old and my son was 8 months old. I feared for their lives so I took them to Sulaymaniyah, a city in the Kurdish region of Iraq. There we lived in a church for one month before moving to Jordan in August 2014."

In Jordan, Yasser was able to get an asylum interview with the UN, hopeful that he and his family would be able to emigrate to the United States. However, this did not happen and Yasser and his family were stuck in Amman without money, food or shelter.

Currently, the Jordanian government will not permit Iraqi refugees to work (only Syrian refugees are able to get work permits). Much of the financial aid given to Jordan by the international community, including the British and American governments, has gone to helping Syrian refugees.

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## **COMMA - PERFECTLY PUNCTUATED**

**BY MICHAEL BLENCOWE**

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Ding, ding. Last orders at the butterfly bar. The party is over. All summer the blues, whites, browns, skippers, hairstreaks and all our other butterflies have mated in the meadows and fornicated in our flower beds. The results of this butterfly bonding will pass the winter as eggs, caterpillars and chrysalises. Even those butterflies tough enough to endure the winter as adults will have turned in early to get a good six months sleep. But there's still one species left knocking back the nectar until the bitter end.

The comma is one ragged looking butterfly – it is unlike any other British species. With its jagged-edged wings it looks like it's been busy brawling with a bird's beak. The wings glow the fiery orange of hell. In France the butterfly's devilish good looks have earned it the name Robert Le Diabolo – Robert the Devil.

But this angular attire is perfect for a butterfly that will be spending the winter hidden amongst dark dead leaves. Its crinkle-cut wings are dark underneath and when it closes them the comma chameleon vanishes. Yet the centre of this dark facade is punctured by a punctuation mark – a small silver 'c', the comma that gives the butterfly its English name. In America a similar looking butterfly has a comma and a dot and is called the question mark.

In October you'll still find the commas across Sussex stocking up on sugars from late-flowering ivy or rotting fruits in preparation for its winter-long big sleep. It's not always been this way. Certainly many, many years ago the comma was widespread across Sussex but by the 1820s the comma had mysteriously vanished from most of England. Lugubrious lepidopterists mourned 'the butterfly of our youth has left us for good and all'. The decline in England's hop industry must have had an effect along with new techniques of bine-burning and washing the crops with insecticides. In the 1930s an increase in comma sightings marked the start of the butterfly's re-conquest of England. This time, with hardly any hops left to munch, the comma grasped the nettle as the main food plant for its caterpillar. Now the butterfly is regularly being seen across Scotland too. The comma's comeback continues.

*[www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk)*

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## **FROM CUCKFIELD PARISH MAGAZINE OCTOBER 1916**

### **PARISH NOTICES**

**THE MEMORIAL SERVICE** on Sunday, September 10th, was attended by a very large congregation. It was dignified and impressive, and we are much indebted to Mr. Mertens for his helpful and thoughtful sermon. Those whom we thus commemorated before God and man were:-

Joseph Card, Albert A. Croucher, Charles F. Doick, George Gibson, Arnold Walter Hockett, George Izzard, Mark Longhurst.

We are asked to remind the friends of those who have fallen that it is proposed to make a collection of the photographs of all the Cuckfield men who have given their lives for their country. The photographs will be framed and placed in the Queen's Hall.

**OUR ROLL OF HONOUR** – It is with very great regret that we have to record the death of Major Edward Lycett Lyon, of Copyhold Cottage, who died on 17th September of wounds received in action, and we assure the Hon. Mrs. Lyon of our sincere sympathy with her in her bereavement. We wish to congratulate Major Reid, who has been promoted to the rank of Lieut.-Colonel and given command of one of the Battalions of the Irish Guards. Unfortunately he is at present



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in hospital suffering from trench fever, but we hope that he may soon be convalescent. We wish also to congratulate Corporal Albert Edward Selby, The Royal Sussex Regiment, who has been promoted Sergeant and given the Military Medal for bravery in the field. He has also received an illuminated card, signed by the Brigadier-General, in recognition of his gallant conduct in going out on patrol on three occasions under heavy fire and returning with valuable information.

We regret that no news has as yet been received of Private T. Henley or of his brother, Ernest, or of Lance-Corporal A. Keep. Several of our men have been wounded lately, including Sergeant F. H. B. Cleaver, Gunner F. J. Fuller, Privates T. D. Butler and R. Newnham, and Private T. H. Dance, Brook Street, has been gassed, but we are glad to hear that they are going on well. Good news has also been received with regard to Private Alec Sloan, who is now in hospital. We offer our sincere sympathy to Mr. Stanley Towse, of Tyler's Green, on the death of his brother, Lieutenant Norman Towse, who was killed while gallantly leading his men in the recent successful fighting on the Somme.

Lieutenant R. S. L. Worsley, of Broxmead, who was invalided home from the Dardanelles, has resigned his Commission in the Royal Sussex Regiment and has joined the Royal Flying Corps.

**CONGRATULATIONS** – We wish to offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph King, who, on September 15th, celebrated their golden wedding, and to Mr. and Mrs. Penfold, of Whiteman's Green, who recently celebrated the 55th anniversary of their marriage.

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## OCTOBER GARDEN NOTES

As the children return to school, so the sunshine continues with some very warm days.

It's been a fairly good summer apart from a week of unsettled weather at the beginning of August. No parched ground, but grass did slow up as did the weeds, momentarily, with lack of rain. Rust appeared on our beans and mildew on the courgettes but both have cropped well. For those with fruit, harvesting of plums, apples and pears, autumn raspberries and quinces should be almost complete. Pumpkins, squashes, marrows and remaining potatoes should also be harvested as soon as possible before slugs, frosts and vermin help themselves.

October is tidy-up time: hedge cutting of all types - leylandii, privet, hawthorn, beech, holly, yew - any you haven't yet tackled; prune and tie in climbers - roses, honeysuckle, jasmine, etc., before the autumn winds blow fiercely. Continue dead-heading herbaceous plants as they finish flowering and turn brown, composting what you can, along with all the leaves falling. Buddleias, penstemons and taller shrubs /woody herbaceous that aren't normally pruned until spring are best reduced by a third to avoid wind damage. Take down bean poles and burn bean haulms before November, especially if infected with rust, which appeared here in August. Chop up sweetcorn stems and use at the base of a new compost heap (good aeration). Plant bulbs you have bought, remembering that, as a general rule of thumb, the height of the bulb (base to tip) is the amount of soil there should be on top of them. Some bulbs aren't that fussy (narcissi) but the smaller ones can be.

If squirrels/mice are a nuisance, try some of the deterrents (wire, rags soaked in Olbas Oil, sonic emitters, traps etc., etc. !!)

Empty and clean out pots, tubs and baskets when summer bedding has died or gone past its best, before replanting with bulbs, pansies and other autumn bedding. October is a good time to buy shrubs and trees - nature should do the watering for you after an initial soak with a watering can. Lawns can be scarified and treated for moss, top-dressing added where needed on bare patches. and sunken areas filled in. If sowing grass seed, don't leave later than early October, as germination is not reliable once ground temperatures drop too low.

Harvest festival time is upon us, so vegetable and fruit growers in particular give thanks to God for the abundance we enjoy in this country, and pray for those who are less fortunate around the globe.

*Lindsay Shurvell*

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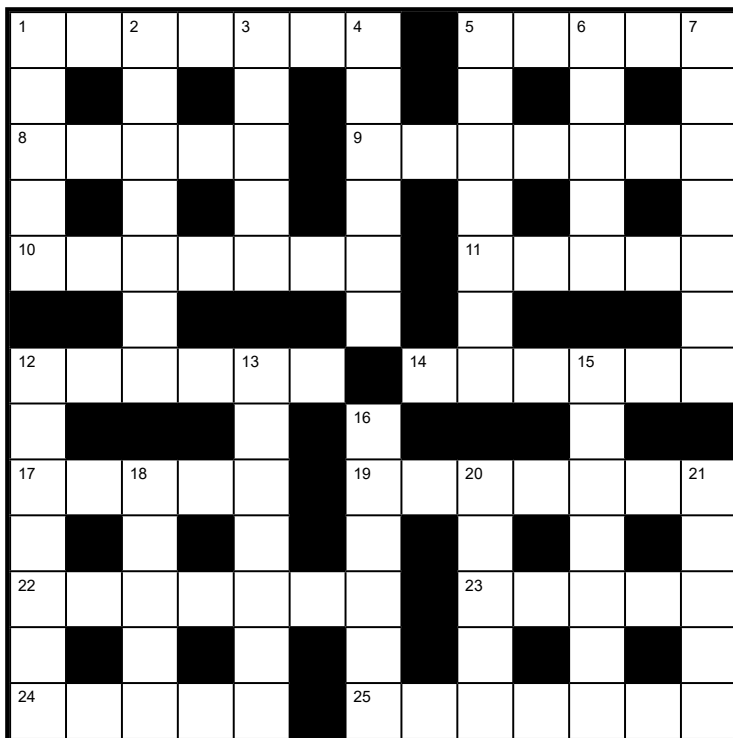
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# October Crossword



## ACROSS

1. INSERTION OF MATERIAL INTO SEAMS (7)
5. ANIMAL TRAIL (5)
8. COLOUR (5)
9. USED ON HOLY DAYS (7)
10. COMPONENT PART (7)
11. SEA (5)
12. SKILLED PERSON (6)
14. TO DO WITH A WOMAN NEWLY MARRIED (6)
17. WHAT A CHURCH PAYS TO THE DIOCESE (5)
19. CUDDLE (7)
22. APPREHENDS (7)
23. SEE 13 DOWN
24. PART OF THE FOOT (5)
25. WITHSTANDS (7)

## DOWN

1. SERIOUS (5)
2. PART OF A SENTENCE (7)
3. LAKE (5)
4. THOSE WITH GOD (6)
5. HELP (7)
6. SMALL AMOUNT (5)
7. FOR EVER (7)
12. OLD POLITICIAN (7)
- 13, 18 and 23 ACROSS A REMINDER OF JESUS' JOURNEY TO CALVARY (7, 2, 3, 5)
15. MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY (7)
16. HOLDER OF 9 ACROSS (6)
18. SEE 13 DOWN
19. COMFORTS (5)
20. DEFENSIVE PLAYERS (5)

(Answers on page 35)

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# Regular Events

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<b>Bellringers</b>	Friday evenings 7.45–9.15pm.
<b>Choir</b>	Choir practice Friday evenings 7.15–8.15pm. (There are no practices during August)
<b>InSpire Youth Club</b>	<i>Friday evenings (term time only) in the Old School (South Door). Years 5 - 7 from 18.45 to 20.00 (6.45 to 8.00pm) Year 8 and above from 20.15 to 21.30 (8.15 - 9.30pm) £1 subs, activities, games, friendship and much more.</i>
<b>Holy Trinity Mens Group</b>	21 October – Ten Pin Bowling at Crawley For more information contact Clive Simmonds 01444 454481 or email: clivesimmonds@btinternet.com
<b>Home Groups</b>	<i>Alternate Thursday Evenings (2 groups), 8pm call Clive &amp; Isobel Simmonds 01444 454481 Tuesday, 8.00pm (in term time). David and Ros Thunder, Wayfarers, South Street, Tel. 417103.</i>
<b>Prayer Group</b>	<i>18 October 10am in The Lady Chapel Tel. Margaret Walker 454272.</i>
<b>Mothers' Union</b>	Tuesday 11 October 10am – Reflecting on WW1 Please contact Ros Thunder 417103 for more details
<b>Little Ones Church Service</b>	Come for a story, some songs and a prayer. All welcome. Please contact Catherine Snashall for more details 01444 454712 or 07775932823.

## ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD

### ACROSS:

1. GUSSETS; 5. SPORE; 8. AMBER; 9. INCENSE; 10. ELEMENT; 11. OCEAN;  
12. ARTIST; 14. BRIDAL; 17. QUOTA; 19. EMBRACE; 22. INTUITS; 23. SEE 13  
DOWN; 24. HEELS; 25. RESISTS

### DOWN:

1. GRAVE; 2. SUBJECT; 3. EERIE; 4. SAINTS; 5. SUCCOUR; 6. OUNCE; 7. ETERNAL;  
12. ASQUITH; 13, 18 and 23 ACROSS: STATION OF THE CROSS; 15. DEACONS;  
16. CENSER; 18. SEE 13 DOWN; 20. BACKS; 21. EASES

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# Regular Events (continued)

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**Cuckfield  
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John 6: 25-35*
- 9.45am Family Service
- 11.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)  
*Philippians 4: 4-9; John 6: 25-35*
- 6.00pm Evensong  
*Nehemiah 5: 1-13; John Chap 9*

## SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER – TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)  
*As 9.45am*
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
*2 kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c; 2 Timothy 2: 8-15  
Luke 17: 11-19*
- 6.00pm Evening Communion

## SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER – TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am Holy Communion  
*As 9.45am*
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
*Genesis 32: 22-31; 2 Timothy 3: 14-4:5;  
Luke 18: 1-8*
- 6.00pm Evensong  
*Nehemiah 8: 9-end; John 16: 1-11*

## SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER – LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)  
*As 9.45am*
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
*Ecclesiasticus 35: 12-17; 2 Timothy 4: 6-8,16-18;  
Luke 18: 9-14*
- 6.00pm Evensong  
*Ecclesiastes Chaps. 11& 12; 2 Timothy 2: 1-7*

## SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER – ALL SAINTS

- 8.00am Holy Communion  
*As 9.45am*
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
*Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18; Ephesians 1: 11-end;  
Luke 6: 20-31*
- 6.00pm Evensong  
*Isaiah 65: 17-end; Hebrews 11: 32-12: 2*

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## **SUNDAY SERVICES & MAJOR FESTIVALS FOR THE MONTH (SEE INSIDE)**

### **WEEKDAY SERVICES – NORMALLY IN THE LADY CHAPEL**

Monday	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	10.30am 5.00pm	Holy Communion followed by Coffee & Cake Evening Prayer
Thursday	9.00am	Holy Communion
Friday	11.00am	Holy Communion, BCP
Saturday	8.45am	Morning Prayer

### **FOR CHILDREN - IN THE OLD SCHOOL – SUNDAYS**

Noah's Ark	ages 0 to 3
Children's Church	ages 3 to 10
Pathfinders	action for 11 to 13 year olds.

*except for 1st Sunday of each month when all join the Family Service  
and during the school summer holidays.*

for details of weekday youth activities see regular events

**NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS ARE MOST WELCOME  
COME AND SEE!**

**JOIN US FOR COFFEE IN THE OLD SCHOOL  
AFTER 9.45 SERVICES**

Michael Maine, Vicar