



Five Alive!



A Monthly Magazine

for the parishes of Michelmersh, Awbridge,
Braishfield, Timsbury and Farley Chamberlayne

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From the Rector: Revd Tom Benson

Dear friends,

As I write this, it is beginning to feel like the Summer of '76. For those of you young enough not to remember it -----it was hot! What a summer it was, Fabs and Zoom ice lollies, Elton John and Kiki Dee at number one with 'Don't go breaking my heart', and the Bionic Woman on TV.

When I look back to remember those endless summer holidays of my childhood the sun always seemed to be shining. Is it just nostalgia or were things different then? Whatever it is, it seems that we do have a tendency to see the past as a golden time when everything was better, people were friendlier, people were more honest, children respected their elders and music had tunes you could whistle to, even if the facts don't actually back that up.

In reading the bible I am often surprised by the way in which human nature actually doesn't seem to have changed much over time. Scandal, tragedy, squabbling, power plays are all in there, as are joy, compassion, heroism and selflessness. That is why I find the bible and the Christian faith just as relevant today as it always has been. We may have the internet and smartphones, but we still have the same need to be living in love with our neighbours and with God that we have always had. If you don't believe me, read the gospel accounts of Jesus' ministry and see if you think that the people there are so very different from our own friends and neighbours - or even ourselves. 'Who would I have been?' or 'How would I have reacted had I been there?' are useful questions to ask of ourselves.

That is why it is no less important today to know Jesus than it ever was. Jesus didn't just come to restore that generation of 2000 years ago to God. No, he came for all humanity for all time. And that is a big deal, so if you don't know Jesus.....then come and see. Find someone that you trust who can help you make that first step. Ask questions, open your mind and heart to discover for yourself how the world is transformed when it is lived in the light of God.

God Bless,

Tom

Green for the Queen at St Andrew's Timsbury



To enter the church you trod on a carpet of herbs - a wonderful aromatic welcome. St Andrew's was a tranquil oasis with arrangements of white and green flowers and foliage, and royal memorabilia including Paddington bear taking tea with the Queen! Billy and Catherine Baker are standing beside the beautifully decorated font topped by one of Billy's amazing bonsai trees which were a feature of the displays. *(Photos: Irene Baker)*



£455 was received in donations for the church and the busy tea tent added another £277. It was lovely that so many people from the village came to the event.

What's Happening at St Andrew's in August?

Tuesdays 9th & 30th Play Reading Group

2.00pm - 3.00pm

Tuesday 9th Coffee & Cake in the church from

10.30 – 11.30am

Tuesday 22nd Celtic Prayer at 11am

Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th Teas at The Island,

National Garden Scheme Weekend. Delicious

afternoon teas and a beautiful garden to stroll round. Proceeds from teas to St Andrew's Church funds.



Romsey Deanery Synod Report June 2022

(NB Each PCC is represented on the Deanery Synod by one or more lay (non-ordained) members. All clergy licensed to churches in the deanery are members of the Synod. It is the layer of governance between PCC and Diocesan Synod, and aims to provide information and mutual support for parishes)

Despite a threatened road closure at Stockbridge, most of us dismissed the warning and arrived without hindrance at Longstock Village Hall on Tuesday, 21st June for the thrice yearly meeting involving the 23 parishes within the Romsey Synod. In addition to 6 members of the clergy and 21 lay members from the parishes, the Rev James Pitkin, Area Dean, opened the meeting and handed over to Sarah Boothman, the Lay Chairman, who gave a brief update on the following:

Common Mission Fund

We are well on course to achieve our targets this year and although some parishes are under pressure, the general response is pleasing considering the financial restraints on income etc. The Deanery heard about the 2023 Diocesan Budget forecast which has attempted to keep expenditure to a minimum and urged all PCCs to understand the reliance the Diocese has on funding and donations.

Overseas Partnership Group

Jane Horne gave a good insight into the year's balance sheet performance that has enabled nearly £11,440 over the last two years to be sent to South Rwenzori, Uganda, to support Vulnerable Children and Orphans, and the balance at the end of 2021 stood at nearly £13,260. She highlighted some of the dangers that the children in the schools face, not only with their own family difficulties but also from incursions across the border from the Congo. She stressed that the Romsey group needs new and younger members as none of us are getting any younger! She also gave a heartfelt plea for more representatives to come forward from the parishes to help.

General Matters

Jane Thompson gave a brief resume on the planned young person's weekend at Avon Tyrell in September and how much good it achieves every year with those attending.

After a brief pause for coffee and tea, not to mention the superb selection of home-made cakes and pastries (especially the gooey chocolate gateau), the meeting split into 3 groups spending 20 minutes on each subject to discuss:

Supporting Ukrainian Refugees

Rev Tom Benson explained what our 5+1 parishes are doing to support the refugees now here. Most are mothers with children who have been integrated

into the schools where applicable and other opportunities in looking for work etc. Amongst many ideas that the church has had is to print church services in Ukrainian and show details of the many various websites able to help them. Whilst everyone agreed that help was readily available, it was also noted that sometimes the responsibility of taking on refugees was not as straightforward as originally thought eg language...living in rural areas where public transport was virtually non-existent ... and that it was sensible for the refugees to have as much close contact with each other as possible.

Growing congregations

Rev Vanessa Lawrence led this group and highlighted all the areas that seem to work well. Many ideas were put forward on how to get the message out and about, and to ensure that first and foremost, a warm and open welcome was shown, and as we have said before, to try and put ourselves in a place of understanding those who have never really been to church. Falling attendances continue to cause concern and a “non-committal see for yourself try it and see ...remain with an open mind ...” is the best approach. Another idea which is being tried is to hold one or two services in the open air, weather permitting!

Generating income

Sarah Boothman took this discussion and again many ideas were expressed and noted. Maybe we can market our resources to better effect eg can we maximize the use of renting out our church halls ... can we advertise to a wider audience. An example is the required restoration of All Saints’ Clock in Braishfield at a cost of £29k and that an appeal will be made to the village as a whole to raise 50% of the cost Many people must benefit from hearing the chimes and noting the time as they drive or walk past!!! ... it is part of the village ... and the church IS very much part of the village.

Rev James Pitkin closed the meeting with prayers and the next meeting is scheduled for 11th October at North Baddesley.

Stephen Treglown, Synod Representative for Braishfield

We now have an Assistant Area Dean for Romsey Deanery!

The Rev Vanessa Lawrence, Vicar of the parishes of Ampfield, Chilworth and North Baddesley has recently been appointed Assistant Area Dean of Romsey to work with Rev James Pitkin, Area Dean. This is an unpaid role for Vanessa, held in addition to her parish responsibilities.



In our local communities today there are families and individuals struggling to put food on the table. This can be a very hidden need - and the families who suddenly find themselves requiring help due to a family crisis, illness or injury, redundancy, benefit delay or even an unexpected bill often feel very embarrassed by their situation and don't want to have to ask for

help to put food on the table. The number of people in our area requiring emergency food provision has increased in recent years with almost a thousand people having been supported in the last 12 months. It's really good to know that Romsey Food Bank is there with practical help, a warm welcome and a sympathetic ear for local people in crisis.

We can do our part by providing the food or financial support to keep the Food Bank running.

Donated food must be non-perishable and well in-date - three months at least is best. Food is sorted by volunteers.

Frontline care professionals such as doctors and social workers identify people in crisis and can issue a food voucher. Clients receive three days of nutritionally balanced, non-perishable food in exchange for their food voucher.

A message from the Food Bank:

Thank you for the great response to our last post about needing donations at Romsey Foodbank. We are so grateful to be part of such a generous community! We are running low on some stock again and are in need of some more donations such as:

- Long Life Milk
- Rice
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Instant Mash Potato
- Long Life Juice
- Squash
- Desserts
- Custard
- Toilet Roll
- Pasta Sauce
- Jam + Peanut Butter

- Sweets
- Chocolate
- Washing Up Liquid
- Microwave Rice

Our opening times are
Tuesday - Thursday,
10:30-12:20 at the Freedom
Centre, 6, Greatbridge Business
Park, Budds Lane, SO51 0HA

**or we have donation drop off
points in Waitrose,
Romsey Abbey
Romsey Library.**

*No need for soup, baked beans,
pasta or cereals: stocks of these
remain high!*

Some musings on Churchwardenry, by John Glasspool

(A warden at St Andrew's, Timsbury)

I have never felt a call to ordained ministry. Indeed, had I done so, I think I would have been the squarest of pegs in the roundest of holes. I did, however, have a feeling that I was being called to be a sort of general helper at St Andrews, so that when my predecessor as churchwarden decided to give up the role I was happy to take his place, at his suggestion, and felt it a great honour to be entrusted with the task. Because, by being elected churchwarden, (theoretically by the whole parish) people are showing that they trust you.

It is, however, not a garment that I wear lightly. I am aware of its long history, and of the importance the role has, being, in effect, the senior representative of the laity in the parish. There is also the fairly heavy responsibility of being one of the two lay people who have the duty of looking after the fabric of the building and churchyard: this is especially so when one considers how old some of our buildings are, and many of them, of course, have listed building status. I have to say that I liked the phrase given by the first Archdeacon that I served under: that being a churchwarden was, in fact, being the church's "Local, Focal, Yokel".

But it can be a somewhat lonely duty. I don't mean by that that no one talks to us, but the churchwardens, along with the incumbent bear the ultimate responsibility for just about everything that goes on in the parish, and that, to an extent, sets us apart from the other members of the congregation.

President Eisenhower of the USA used to keep a photograph frame on his desk in the White House with the words "The buck stops here" written in it. And this is why I feel the office carries some considerable responsibility. Speaking for myself, it also means that during a service I cannot 100% relax. I'm always aware that something might happen: hopefully no disasters, but it may be that the Communion plate hasn't been put out properly, someone comes in late through the door, or, as memorably on one Christmas morning: a sudden power cut. Now I don't want you to feel great sympathy for me or buy me flowers: being a churchwarden is in its own way a type of service to God, and therefore part of worship. I just hope God sees it that way!

So this is why I sometimes feel the need to just escape and go to a service elsewhere. Perhaps when we have Evening Prayer, I can be found at one of the churches of the Thorngate Benefice in the early morning, or, when we have an early service, I go to Evensong at Salisbury

Cathedral. I'm shamelessly using the love and service of others to recharge my own battery, safe in the knowledge that if the roof starts to leak, it isn't my problem. And they are kind enough to welcome me.

Well this all sounds a bit negative, so here's the nice bit. Once a year we go to the Archdeacon's Visitation, to be sworn in for another year of service. It's changed quite a bit over the last thirty years: our first Archdeacon used to tell us off a bit, along with some wagging of his finger. (I likened his address to that of the then South African president Botha, who had a habit of doing the same: unfortunately it somehow got back to him! I was OK- the bullets missed by a mile.)

But to be in somewhere like Romsey Abbey, when it's full of churchwardens and their supporters is very affirming. One gets the chance to meet up with some old chums and one gets the feeling that, as the Sci-Fi writers sometimes say, "We are not alone". The singing is hearty and the atmosphere positive and, usually, pretty cheerful. It's very different to a cold winter's day where seven of us are in church and people are secretly blaming the churchwarden for the heating not coming on, however much they kindly hide it!

Well, I once read something, written by a Roman Catholic writer, who I am fairly sure was speaking metaphorically, that whenever someone makes the sign of the cross, a tremor passes through Hell. I get a similar feeling when the churchwardens and their supporters are assembled. We are, in military terms, the NCOs of the Church. In fact, it reminds me of something that C S Lewis wrote in *The Screwtape Letters* when a devil speaks of the Church:

"I do not mean the Church as we see her, spread out through all time and space and rooted in eternity, terrible as an army with banners. That, I confess, is a spectacle which makes our boldest tempters uneasy. But fortunately it is quite invisible to these humans."

So on that one evening of the year, I really get the feeling that the gates of Hell will not prevail against us.

Here is the prayer which the churchwardens pray together, having been commissioned to serve for the coming year:

**In the power of the Holy Spirit may we walk in your way, believe your word, and fulfil your commandments;
may we faithfully worship you and serve our neighbour to the furtherance of your glorious kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**



**SATURDAY 10
SEPTEMBER 2022**

Ride & Stride Day supports our Churches & Chapels in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight This event happens nationally.

Despite Covid the Ride & Stride Participants raised nearly £62,000 for the Trust which will enable it to help our churches even more.

More youngsters joining in as well as clergy encouraging their benefice churches to participate all helped. Those churches that did were able to also raise some much needed funds themselves – 50% of the sponsorship money for a nominated church was returned to them!

The Trust keeps the other half plus any gift aid to hand out in grants to our churches on application. All Saints, Braishfield benefited this year from a grant for repairs to the tower and clock. Our Grants Committee are very supportive of churches to the extent that they sometimes offer advice!

In addition, we are extraordinarily grateful to Hampshire County Council for their generous support of the Trust with a £25,000 grant annually. The Trust is also run entirely by volunteers so almost all the money raised goes to our churches.

Please join us and register for Ride & Stride on **Saturday 10 September**. If the date conflicts then pick another day to visit some of our county's wonderful churches by whatever means you wish! **Enjoy a picnic and have a fun day exploring our wonderful cultural heritage!**

You are most welcome to sponsor Chris and I and nominate your church. If you need further information please email us on meryl@hicht.org.uk or ring 01794 368427. Our thanks to All Saints (Braishfield), St John's and the United Reform Church congregations for sponsoring the Trust in 2021 with £635 excl Gift Aid.

Please raise sponsorship, open your church, or make a donation. Participating churches will be on our website and it is best to check registrations shortly before the event.

Chris & Meryl Balchin
www.hicht.org.uk
Registered Charity No 1181370



NOTES FROM AROUND THE BENEFICE

The Braishfield Home Group which meets at Alan and Sue Manners' home, will take a break over the summer and meet again in the autumn.

The first **Benefice Men's Breakfast** was a great success with a dozen men attending from across the parishes. The upstairs room at Chambers was a great setting. The food was good and plentiful and interesting conversations were had.

Book now for the next one - Saturday 13th August 8.30am at Chambers, Stirling Walk in Romsey - full English breakfast. To book/more details Phone Trevor Clewer on 07434593953.
There is an upper limit of 20 places so don't delay!

Braishfield Village Voices will be meeting on Mondays August 22nd and September 26th from 2pm to 4pm in the Church Room
Not a choir, just a group of people who get together to sing for fun on the 4th Monday of the month 2-4pm. All welcome. The group is led by Wendy Quarendon and Meri Knights.

Sunday 25 September Awbridge Harvest Festival with Flower and Craft Displays 9 30 am Family Harvest Worship. Donations of non-perishable food items will be given to Southampton City Mission Basics Bank.

Awbridge Activities in August:

- **Coffee Hub** meets every Tuesday from 9.15 - 11.30am at church. All Welcome
- **Lunch Club:** Wed 10 and 24th August, 12 noon in the church rooms, contact Sarah Keith 01794 340707
- **Craft and Chat** – Fridays 12th and 26th August 10.30am in the Village Hall Committee Room. Contact Sue Franklin on 01794 322185
- **Prayer Group** – meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 8.45am in church
- **No housegroup meetings** in August

All Saints Braishfield : On **Friday 2nd September**, we are supporting an evening of entertainment in the Village Hall to raise funds for Ukraine, 7pm

Saturday 1st October Harvest Supper in the Church Room, 6pm. **Sunday 2nd October** Harvest Thanksgiving 9.30am. Please bring non-perishable items for Romsey Food Bank



ARTISTS IN ST JOHN'S CHURCH
FARLEY CHAMBERLAYNE - come
and see their work!



Opening times 10am-4pm except weekends until 5pm;
Wed 24th - Mon 29th August

Set in a 12th century church in a stunning countryside
location featuring a group of local artists to include:

Frinny Farthing (acrylic landscapes),
Sue Mclachlan (pet portraits),
Steve Neal (photography),
Peter Radcliffe (watercolour landscapes)
and Tanya Williamson (textile artist).

Tea, coffee and homemade cakes as well!

Address St Johns Church, Farley Chamberlayne, Braishfield, SO51 0QP



St Mary's Picnic and Band Concert on Sunday 26th June 2022

Michelmersh Silver Band very much considers St Mary's Church its "Home" with the connection between the two going back to the very beginnings of the Band. In 1886, two young men from the village, Thomas Topp a builder and Tom Parsons the Rector's Coachman approached the then Rector, Canon Barrington Gore-Browne to request a loan to purchase a set of instruments to start a village band. The two men believed that the young men of the village, having little to do in their spare time, needed a pastime to keep them gainfully occupied and out of trouble. Forming the band was deemed to be a good idea and a loan was agreed with the proviso that a vow of temperance be sworn by all who joined the band. The story goes that after a couple of years Thomas Topp asked the Canon to drop the temperance stipulation

saying that if he didn't, he wouldn't have a band to use the instruments! The vow was duly dropped and the band has endured for 136 years and still counting.

Both the Church and Band have been severely restricted during the COVID pandemic so when Band Secretary Claire Topp wrote to me about getting together, the idea for a Concert was conceived. After discussions we decided to include a picnic in the Church grounds with the help of Elaine and Liz at the Barns to give us a car park and toilet facilities. The next issue was establishing a date convenient to all and Sunday 26th June was selected which was agreed with Rector Tom. With the help of Kath Davis a poster was designed and I got them printed in Romsey and with the help of Peta Hunt and Jane Chambers colourful flyers were posted through the letter boxes of all houses in the village. All that was needed then was fine weather and a good crowd as we jointly decided to make the concert free but to collect donations on the day in aid of the rector's Ukraine Fund.

The day arrived, the weather was great and the response from the Village and Benefice was amazing. The Band had a guest conductor Calum Gray and the Band gave two one hour performances to the delight of those in the Church and those who listened while enjoying their picnics. We think about 200 people came and the donations came to £700 so our joint thanks to all those who gave so generously. Having started at 4pm there were still many people there at 8pm



My personal thanks to all for their help and support.

Peter Hill, Churchwarden

Michelmersh Prize Draw

July 2022 Winners

1st Prize	Name withheld	£68.60
2nd Prize	Peta Hunt	£34.30
3rd Prize	Sue Taylor	£19.60

Contact Mr Peter Hill 01794 523364 or the Benefice Office if you would like to join in the monthly draw which raises funds for St Mary's PCC.

**Do you enjoy arranging flowers?
Would you like to help out
at St Mary's Michelmersh?**

Mrs Marjorie Duguid, who oversees the rota, says you definitely don't need to be competition standard – just take pleasure in arranging flowers and enjoy the peaceful atmosphere in the church – she says she finds it very therapeutic!



Volunteers are usually asked to do two weeks at a time – arranging the flowers for the Sundays. Maybe it's an activity you would like to do with a friend?

Contact Marjorie on 01794 368235 to offer to have a go or to find out more. She will be delighted to hear from you!

The Jumbulance Trust

Those who came to the All Saints' Braishfield Cream Tea on 2nd June to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee were invited to make a donation to the Jumbulance Trust. We were pleased to be able to forward £118.41 to the Trust.



Chris Chisholm from Farley Chamberlayne has recently led a holiday to Blackpool and will be leading a visit to Austria and Oberammergau in September. On Tuesday 17th May Chris attended an investiture ceremony at Windsor Castle when she received an MBE from Prince William in acknowledgment of her work for the Trust. The holidays and outings enabled by the Jumbulance Trust are hugely enriching for people who otherwise might be unable to have a break away from home, and could not take place without the support of numerous volunteers.



**Foodbank
Founder
and Civil
Servant
among 17
new clergy
ordained at
Winchester
Cathedral**

A foodbank founder and Civil Servant were among 17 new members who joined the Diocese of Winchester's team of clergy at the beginning of July as they were ordained as deacons in Winchester Cathedral. The new deacons will go on to serve parishes across Hampshire and East Dorset.

These men and women come from a variety of backgrounds, bringing with them a breadth of experience. Between them, they have worked in a wide range of sectors, including the civil service, the NHS and education. They have now responded to God's call to serve their local communities as Christian leaders.

The new deacons were ordained following two or three years of training. As servant-leaders, deacons take on the responsibility of serving their communities and reaching out to those in need. Deacons will usually be ordained as priests the following year.

The Right Reverend Debbie Sellin Bishop of Southampton said: "It is a joy to bless and ordain these people deacon who have worked so hard and shown such dedication to their faith and to God. The rich diversity of experiences these people bring with them will only enhance and enrich the communities they go on to serve in. I look forward to seeing all the great work they will go on to do."

Amongst those being ordained priest were Rev Fiona Jenvey and Rev Mich Lajeunesse from the parish of Romsey.

Everyone who remembers Canon Michael and Mrs Sue Halliwell who lived in retirement in Awbridge before moving to sheltered accommodation a few years ago, and were involved with and supportive of all our churches, will be sad to hear that Sue has died. We give thanks for her life and shared friendship and pray for Michael and the family.

All Saints' Braishfield September BBQ!



When? Saturday 3rd September
from 4.00pm - 6.30pm

Where? Church Car Park
and Church Room

Enjoy good food and good company with friends
from the village and All Saints

Bowl for donations - after covering food costs
gifts will go to the Clock Tower fund

Please let Sarah Boothman have numbers
by Thursday 1st September for catering

01794 368143 seboothman@aol.com

Item of interest at St John's Farley Chamberlayne

A recent visitor to St John's Farley Chamberlayne has shared a photo of one of the two hatchments in the church [see next page] - they are above the vestry screen at the West end of the church. She has also sent some information. If you go to Open Studios, do look at the hatchments too.

This hatchment is for Jane, the daughter and heir of Roger Harris of Silksted, Hants. She married Sir Paulet St John as his third wife in 1761. When she married Sir Paulet, she was the widow of William Pescod (for whom there is a memorial in Winchester Cathedral), a lawyer and Recorder of Winchester. Although she seems to have had children by her previous marriage, she is recorded as dying *sine prole* (without issue) for her marriage to Sir Paulet. (Not really surprising, as she was 55 when she married him!) She died in 1791, aged 85.

Sir Paulet St John, 1704 - 1780, was created 1st Baronet (of Farley) in 1772. He was MP for Winchester and Hampshire, but doesn't seem to have had a brilliant parliamentary career:

<https://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1715-1754/member/st-john-paulet-1704-80>

He was succeeded by his son by his second marriage, Sir Henry Paulet St John, 2nd Baronet.

Photo credit: R G Morris



What does the hatchment show?

All Black Background

On a lozenge surmounted by two cherubs' heads,

Argent, on a chief Gules, two mullets Or, in fess point the Badge of Ulster (St. John)

Impaling

Azure, a chevron ermine between three urchins Or (Harris)

Motto: *Mors Ianua Vitae* [death is the gate to everlasting life]

Festoons of naturalistic flowers to dexter and sinister, and winged skull in base.

So how do we interpret this and understand the imagery?

In heraldry the shield is described from the bearer's point of view, not the viewer's. So 'dexter' is left, the side allocated to the man, and 'sinister' is right (from the viewer's point of view), the side given to the woman. A 'lozenge' is the form on which arms are presented for a woman; she does not have the helmet and crest that a hatchment for a man should carry. The all black background means that both husband and wife are dead.

The 'Badge of Ulster' is an indication that these are the arms of a baronet. 'Impaling' refers to the line between the two coats of arms, dividing them between husband on the left (dexter) and wife on the right (sinister). It is conventional to give colours a capital letter - I leave you to have fun working out what colour the various words refer to!

'urchin' is the heraldic name for a hedgehog; they can also be called by the French word *herisson*, which makes these 'canting' (or 'punning') arms on the name 'Harris'.

The visitor was much taken with the hedgehogs!

Prayer for peace in Ukraine from Archbishops Welby and Cottrell

Holy and Gracious God

We pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.

We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fulness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.

Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine.

And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son.

Lord have mercy. Amen



Do you want to help Ukrainian refugees?

The BUSG (Braishfield Ukrainian Support Group) is appealing for donations of money to support refugees and host families in the communities of Braishfield, Michelmersh, Farley Chamberlayne, Timsbury, Awbridge, and King's Somborne as well as Ukrainian refugees wherever they are.

If you are a refugee yourself or a host family and think that we might be able to help you, please do be in touch.

If you think that you can help financially or in some other way please contact:

Geoff Briggs geoffbriggs@btinternet.com

Rev Tom Benson The Rectory, Braishfield Road Braishfield SO51 0PR
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It would be really helpful if you could consider regular giving via our pledge scheme, but any donation large or small (cash, cheque, or online) is gratefully received.

If possible, please make your donations by on-line banking as follows: Account name: Braishfield PCC Sort Code: 60 18 46 Account Number: 21204470 Reference: BUSG [donor's surname]

If you are making an online donation please let Geoff Briggs know so that we can keep our records up to date. Thanks.

Bible readings for Sunday 31st July - 3rd September

SUNDAY 31st JULY - 7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Old Testament Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12-14; 2.18-23

Epistle Colossians 3.1-11

Gospel Luke 12.13-21

Psalm 49.1-12

SUNDAY 7th AUGUST - 8th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Old Testament Genesis 15.1-6

Epistle Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16

Gospel Luke 12.32-40

Psalm 33.12-end

SUNDAY 14th AUGUST - 9th Sunday after TRINITY

Old Testament Jeremiah 23.23-29

Epistle Hebrews 11.29 – 12.2

Gospel Luke 12.49-56

Psalm 82

SUNDAY 21st AUGUST - 10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Old Testament Isaiah 58.9b-end

Epistle Hebrews 12.18-end

Gospel Luke 13.10-17

Psalm 103.1-8

SUNDAY 28th AUGUST – 11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Old Testament Proverbs 25.6-7

Epistle Hebrews 13.1-8, 15-16

Gospel Luke 14.1, 7-14

Psalm 112

SUNDAY 4th SEPTEMBER - 12th Sunday after TRINITY

Old Testament Deuteronomy 30.15-end

Epistle Philemon 1-21

Gospel Luke 14.25-33

Psalm 1

Updates and more All Saints Braishfield information can be found at
www.asbchurch.org

SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2022

SUNDAY 31st JULY - 7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am Awbridge UNITED BENEFICE HOLY COMMUNION

T.Benson & J.Thompson

SUNDAY 7th AUGUST - 8th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30am Awbridge **HOLY COMMUNION** J.Thompson

9.30am Braishfield **FAMILY WORSHIP** A.Brooks

11.00amTimsbury (and Michelmersh) **MORNING WORSHIP** J.Thompson

6.00pm Farley Chamberlayne **EVENING PRAYER** BCP J.Thompson

NO INFORMAL BENEFICE WORSHIP this month

SUNDAY 14th AUGUST - 9th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Farley Chamberlayne **HOLY COMMUNION** BCP T.Benson

9.30am Awbridge **MORNING WORSHIP** Lay led

9.30am Braishfield **MORNING WORSHIP** T.Benson

11.00am Timsbury **FAMILY WORSHIP with BAPTISM** T.Benson

6.00pm Michelmersh **HOLY COMMUNION** T.Benson

SUNDAY 21st AUGUST - 10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30am Awbridge **HOLY COMMUNION** T.Benson

10.00am Timsbury **HOLY COMMUNION** BCP J.Thompson

11.15am Farley Chamberlayne **FAMILY SERVICE** T.Benson

6.00pm Michelmersh **EVENING PRAYER** BCP Lay led

6.00pm Braishfield **EVENING PRAYER** BCP T.Benson

SUNDAY 28th AUGUST – 11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Michelmersh **HOLY COMMUNION** BCP T.Benson

9.30am Awbridge **FAMILY WORSHIP** Family Team

9.30am Braishfield **HOLY COMMUNION** T.Benson

11.15am Farley Chamberlayne **INFORMAL SERVICE** T.Benson

6.00pm Timsbury **EVENING PRAYER** BCP T.Benson

SUNDAY 4th SEPTEMBER - 12th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30am Awbridge **HOLY COMMUNION**

9.30am Braishfield **FAMILY WORSHIP**

11.00am Michelmersh (and Timsbury) **MORNING WORSHIP**

6.00pm Farley Chamberlayne **EVENING PRAYER** BCP

7.00pm Awbridge **INFORMAL BENEFICE WORSHIP**

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