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St Thomas & St Nicholas

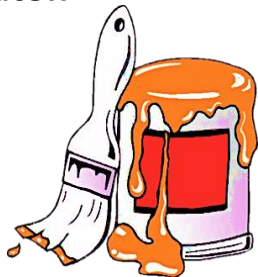


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## CARING

Looking through my Churchwarden diary at all the Sundays during October, the following is the list for each Sunday:

- 1st Animal Welfare Sunday
- 8th Prisoners' Sunday
- 15th Healthcare Sunday
- 22nd White Ribbon Sunday (organised by DASH – Domestic Abuse Stops Here).
- 29th Bible Sunday

I sat and thought how much they were all linked in some way by one word "Caring".

**Animal Welfare** It amazes me that some of the population seem to care more for animals than they do for the human race albeit that we do see some terrible incidents with animals, but my feelings are that they should not have had an animal in the first place. Some have them for all the wrong reasons. I would say that the majority of us who do have pets really do care for them and they do become one of the family. Also, it is very sad when one loses a pet because of that reason.

**Prisoners** Pastoral care plays an important part in our Prisons. There are Mothers' Union members throughout the country who go into female prisons, taking with them care and compassion, not only for the mothers but for the babies that have been born in the prison. There are also the Prison Chaplains who mainly visit the male prisoners. How often is it that you hear from a prisoner that they found their faith whilst in prison. We can only hope and pray that when they are released the faith that they found will carry them through life and not to reoffend.

**Healthcare.** From Surgeons/Consultants right down to the cleaners and porters, they are all caring for their patients in one way or another. From the top to the bottom, they are all involved in the day to day running of the Hospitals. One cannot do without the other.

**White Ribbon.** Organised by DASH (Domestic Abuse Stops Here), This seems to slip under the radar most of the time. This is one of the Mothers' Union main stays throughout the year. There are trained members and mentors who help parents and children to overcome this devastating situation. The Roberts Centre is an organisation which helps people who are struggling to improve their family's difficult circumstances whether it be from homelessness or family breakdown. Mothers' Union branches support Refuges with various food and toiletries throughout the year.

# PARISH NEWS

**Bible Sunday** Reading our Bible daily or whenever you can find a spot in your busy day tells us how Jesus and his Disciples shows us all how to be loving and caring to all. A verse from the Bible, which you could read would be: -

1 Timothy, Chapter 5, Verse 4.

Wouldn't the World and all our lives be so much better if we were all caring in one way or another?

With God's blessings and mine.

*Ann – Churchwarden*

*See also a piece entitled 'Smile' on page 17*

**The Beacon Food Bank continues to need regular support.** Contributions can be made at Asda, Tesco, and Waitrose, or in our black box at the Rectory in Bidbury Lane.

The food bank is most in need of:

- Tinned meals    Tinned puddings
- Tinned fruit and veg    Rice, jam spreads
- Pot noodles/Packet noodles
- Coffee and sugar    Toiletries

*Thank you for your support.*

The Harvest Festival Collections were in support of the Beacon Food Bank.



## Pause And Pray

A time to pause and gather together to pray for our Borough for 1 hour.

Monday 9th October, 6 - 7pm  
at Hart Plain Church, Waterlooville.

All welcome!

## FAMILY NEWS

We send our good wishes to all those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this month including Christine Hirsch and Jean O'Farrell.



We say farewell to Gill and Roger Matthews who have been part of the church family for many years. We thank them for all their contributions and support in the work of the parish, and wish them well as they move away.

*Cover: A fresh new look for St Nicholas Church  
Story on page 6*

## BEDHAMPTON CALENDAR

Why not take some local photos for a Bedhampton calendar.

Keep taking photos – they may be submitted for any year.



If you have any photos of local interest, please send them to the Parish Office, ideally by email; although prints can be accepted and will all be safely returned.

The Bible has a great deal to say about suffering and most of it is encouraging. - A W Tozer



Sunday 1st October,  
10.30am at St Nicholas

Songs and craft for families with a  
*All welcome*



### HOLIDAY TIME DISCOVERIES

Many families enjoyed the morning gatherings at St Nicholas Church throughout August as they discovered some important messages in Disney films.

Meanwhile, at St Thomas, congregations have been learning about the stories behind some of their favourite hymns, the first one sung at the King's Coronation; in this issue we learn about the hymn "All is well with my soul". More of these to come as we continue to explore each month.



### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

#### SHOE BOX APPEAL

It's time again to be thinking of our annual Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box appeal. If you would like to take part, leaflets will be available in church very soon. Shoe boxes should be boy/girl and age related, and filled with a selection of fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies. Full details on the leaflets.

### St Nick's Flicks

will meet again on

**Tuesday**

**19th October**

**1.45 for 2pm**

at St Nicholas' Church

A free film show with refreshments.  
All welcome – no need to book.



### BEDHAMPTON BIG QUIZ

Saturday 7th October, 7pm

at St Nicholas'. Tickets £5

Book at [Office@bedhampton.church](mailto:Office@bedhampton.church)

Get those thinking caps on and join in the fun!







*Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September*

The annual Hampshire and Isle of Wight Ride and Stride event took place on Saturday 9th September. In spite of the exceptionally warm weather, cyclists and walkers made their way from church to church throughout the area to raise money for the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Historic Churches Trust. In the past St Thomas Church has benefitted from the funds raised for upkeep and repairs to the building, for which we are very grateful.

### ANNUAL CONCERT SOLD OUT

The annual Concert by the Lake held in September raised a considerable sum in support of the Rowans Hospice. The Abba tribute band returned by popular demand to entertain in the garden full of people enjoying their picnics in the evening sun. Thanks go to Sally Codling and her family for this well supported event.

Meanwhile as we go to print, plans are well advanced for a number of coffee mornings to take place in the area at the end of September in aid of the Macmillan Nurses. Attendees will be able to enjoy coffee and cake, as well as stalls with items for sale.

### *Mothers' Union*

## **COFFEE MORNING**

**SATURDAY 28th OCTOBER**

**10.00 until 12.00**

**St Nicholas Church**

Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and Biscuits

Shop at the Crafts and Bring and Buy Stalls

**Mothers' Union Enterprise Table, Christmas cards, Advent calendars, Diaries, calendars and gifts, Raffle and Cake Stalls**

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**Children's Society Christmas Cards**

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**PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILDRENS SOCIETY  
COLLECTION BOXES**

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*Monies raised go towards AFIA (Away from it all) where the Mothers' Union supports families who need a break during the year.*



## NEW LOOK SANCTUARY AT ST NICHOLAS

It all began with a conversation between myself and our Worship Lead, Peter Hall as we stared into what had become a rather tired looking St Nicholas' sanctuary. The sanctuary is the focal point of our worship in our services and the home for our Holy Communion table. The long term refurbishment of St Nicholas will include a complete refresh of the main hall, but that is a few years away, as we continue to raise funds and first refresh the small hall and kitchen. However, surely we could give God's home a lick of paint, couldn't we?

The decoration fell to dynamic duo, Alec Matthews and Roy Payne, who gave up most of their summer to complete this mammoth task. The sanctuary was stripped of all lighting and other fixtures, and scaffolding erected to enable repairs to the walls and main window. Sanding and painting, painting and sanding of the walls and floor took most of the time. This was all fuelled by tea and biscuits provided by Deb in the office. A good sense of humour was also required, particularly as the light of the end of the tunnel came into sight, only to be dimmed when I appeared and announced, "Shall we say one more coat chaps?"

*Right:  
The  
sanctuary  
before  
work  
started.*

*Below;  
Up the  
ladder!*



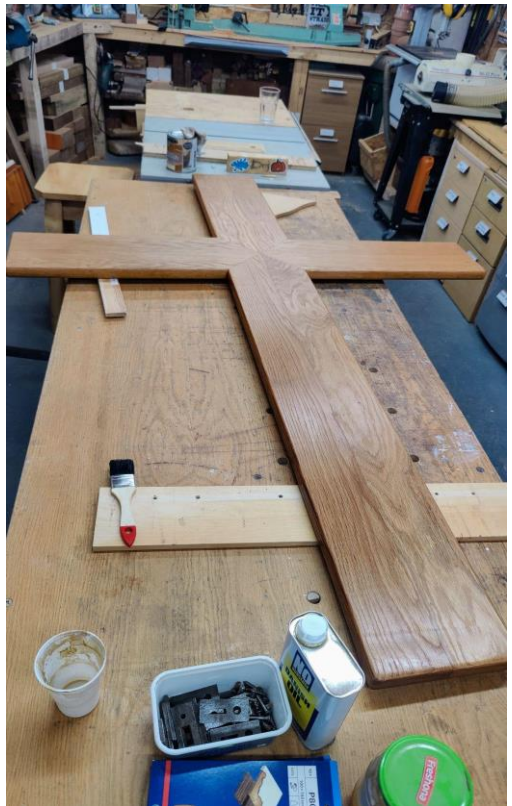
We also wanted to bring Holy Communion nearer to God's people at St Nicholas', just as we do at St Thomas'. However, a table as long as it was does not allow for that flexibility, so some reshaping was on the cards. My friend Iain Sloane transformed the original communion table, which was halved in size and stripped back to reveal the wonderful wood beneath the dark stain. He created a beautiful large cross using the excess wood from the table, which was installed in the middle of the refreshed sanctuary window.



The table joined the cross in the now fresh and bright looking sanctuary. The first of some new banners that will be rotated throughout the year were added to complete the wonderful new focal point of our worship. Volunteers Iain, Alec and Roy did an amazing job on a very tight budget and we are very grateful for all they have done and the time and skill they have given. The large folding doors will now remain open for most of the time allowing all our community groups to be reminded that there is a God who loves and welcomes them. As for Peter and myself we are not allowed to have any more conversations or bright ideas for a while!

The table top had a  $\frac{1}{4}$  removed from each end. It was then sanded to reveal what we believe to be oak. The excess wood was used to create our new cross.

*Max Cross*



The finished result of the newly constructed cross is shown overleaf, together with the photograph of the sanctuary before work started. The finished sanctuary is shown on the front cover of this magazine.



Above: The new cross in place.

### **BACK IN TIME in October**

90 years ago On 17th 1933, physicist Albert Einstein arrived in the USA as a refugee from Nazi Germany.

80 years ago, on 17th 1943, the Burma Railway was completed. The Japanese built it using Asian labourers and Allied prisoners-of-war, thousands of whom died.

One of the railway bridges is the famous film *Bridge over the River Kwai*.

75 years ago, on 27th 1948, the Morris Minor car was launched at the British Motor Show at Earl's Court in London. It cost £358.

65 years ago: on 1st 1958, Michael Bond's children's book *A Bear Called Paddington* was published. It marked the debut appearance of Paddington Bear.

Also 65 years ago on 28<sup>th</sup> 1958, the State Opening of the British Parliament was televised for the first time.

60 years ago, on 15th 1963, the term 'Beatlemania' first appeared in the Daily Mirror newspaper in the UK. It described the intense, frenzied reaction of fans of the Beatles.

50 years ago, from 19th October 1973 to 17th March 1974, the 1973 Oil Crisis took place. OPEC suspended oil exports to nations supporting Israel in the Yom Kippur War. It led to major shortages and rationing in the UK, USA, Canada, Japan, Portugal, the Netherlands, Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) and South Africa.

40 years ago, on 5th October 1983 Lech Walesa, leader of the Solidarity movement in Poland, (and later President of Poland) was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

*More on page 15*

**FORTHCOMING EVENTS**



Chantry Quire  
**Come and Sing**

Brahms Requiem In German  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October,  
10am - 6pm  
St Mary's Church, Easebourne  
Near Midhurst GU29 0AG  
[www.chantryquire.org](http://www.chantryquire.org)

Havant Chamber Orchestra  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm  
Holy Trinity Church, Fareham  
Walton, Elgar, Finzi,  
Vaughan Williams  
With Rob Blanken – clarinet

Portsmouth Choral Union  
Verdi Requiem Singing Day  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October, 10-4pm  
Trafalgar School PO2 7RJ

**THE MANOR TRUST**

will be holding  
a **Preloved Clothes  
& Homeware Sale**

at The Elms, 2 Lower Road,  
Bedhampton  
on **Saturday 7th October**  
2 - 4pm.

Goods on sale - coats, clothes,  
shoes, books, homeware,  
bric-a-brac & accessories.  
Come along and grab a bargain!

**Free Parking** available nearby  
at Bidbury Mead  
Recreation Ground P09 3JG.

Renaissance Choir  
Mozart – Requiem; Haydn, Byrd  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm  
St Peter's Church, Petersfield

Portsmouth Baroque Choir  
Rheinberger, Vierne, Weelkes, Vaughan Williams  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 7pm.  
St Paul's Church, Chichester

**A Bear called Paddington**

65 years ago, on 14th October 1958, Michael Bond's book, *A Bear Called Paddington*, was published. It marked the debut of the lovable Paddington Bear, who is now a household name after appearing in two irresistible films.

Paddington starred in more than 20 books written by Bond, who died aged 91 in 2017. The original story was inspired by the author witnessing Jewish and British evacuee children passing through Reading station. Bond wanted the bear to have come from "darkest Africa", but was changed to Peru when his agent pointed out that there were no bears in Africa!

Many people have found Christian characteristics in the bespectacled, kind, red-hatted, innocent Paddington, who always tries to do the right thing but often gets into trouble as a result.

A stuffed toy Paddington Bear was chosen by British tunnellers as the first item to be passed to their French counterparts when the two sides of the Channel Tunnel came together in 1994. The books have been translated into 30 languages and have sold more than 30 million copies.

Paddington has also reached the very top of society. He joined the late Queen in one of her last public appearances – a brilliant comedy segment in the Platinum Party at Buckingham Palace on 4th June 2022, in which the Queen 'revealed' that she always carried a marmalade sandwich – Paddington's favourite food – in her handbag.

# MISSION NEWS

## LIFE IS FULL BUT ALSO JOYFUL

NEWS from SAM and CHLOE MUTTON



### Headlines

- ❖ Chloe is pregnant with baby no.3.
- ❖ We went away for a few nights camping.
- ❖ Sam went to UK for Cycling Championships.
- ❖ Chloe and the girls went to a wedding.
- ❖ The Bike Park now has a Playpark

As we stay in Uganda for a longer period of time, we have been learning not just about what brings us happiness, but what we need to make us joyful and sustainable here. The big one for both of us is the love of being outdoors. Living in the city isn't easy at the best of times, but in Kampala the air pollution is so terrible and there are very few green spaces (and if they are around, you have to pay a lot for the luxury of using it)! We seem to crave space and greenery but finding it isn't always easy.

We were so blessed by Chloe's sister and brother in law who gifted us a tent in May. It has opened up opportunities to go away for a night or two at an affordable price. The girlies are slowly improving in the car for long distances and so we have started to learn to find joy in getting away for a night and refreshing ourselves. In our intense life of community living and work and people constantly, it's really important to find space to breathe. We recently went away to Queen Elizabeth Park and camped outside of the National Park. God blessed us incredibly, we got there in record time, we were the only people at the campsite so had the



pool to ourselves; we saw almost every animal possible without needing to pay for a safari as the animals decided to visit us on the road, and we felt rested. Sam got to cycle and enjoy the fresh air, the girls LOVED camping and Chloe was able to switch off! It was a short moment, just three and a half days, but it was truly a weekend of joy and blessing. We feel excited for our next adventure and encouraged that there are ways to make life sustainable here at an affordable price for our family.

As you read in our highlights, we are expecting another baby! We couldn't be happier!! As many of you know, it really wasn't easy getting pregnant with Zara-Grace and took around 3 years, lots of doctors, surgery and an ectopic pregnancy. So, to be blessed with a third baby feels like another miracle! The first trimester has not been easy for Chloe, until she reached 12 weeks and most recently, she has been struggling with pelvic and back pain which means some moments it's hard to walk! So please do pray for this pregnancy to get easier! We plan to head back to the UK in January for the birth. So thankful for the care from the NHS previously, so wanted to keep Mum and babe as safe as possible!

## Cycling

A HUGE thank you to those of you who sponsored Sam to be able to attend the World Championships in August. It was an amazing experience, a great learning curve for both Sam and the cyclists and a wonderful opportunity to network for the Bike Park! The cyclists didn't win any race but enjoyed the experience and it was a good motivator for them to see how far they need to come in their training. It was so great to see Uganda represented and we hope and pray for more opportunities like this for riders in Uganda.

The Bike Park now has a playpark which is amazing! It feels so exciting to see everything starting to come together now. The space is being used by local children on a daily basis and has been built to last. It has a fort, obstacle course, climbing area and swings! We have recently had to close the area during school hours as children are sneaking off in lunch breaks to play! So thankful to Stockton Baptist Church for coming over for a week, fundraising and making it happen! *(Photos in the next issue)*

The Café is nearly complete and is looking beautiful. We had hoped to have opened by now, but we are still working on electricity and toilets, 2 quite expensive things! There are positive conversations happening with Bike Companies to be able to help open up the bike shop, but this may also delay the opening depending on timings for things to get here. The space has come to life and the pump track has the racing lines on it too! We had a wonderful friend Alex volunteer with us for a month. He built a skills area at the Bike Park which is very helpful for those novice riders as it gives them the opportunity to test different features before committing to a route.

## Community

These past few months have been full of HUGE community BBQ's in the office/house. We celebrated Mary (Community Mentoring Supervisor) with a bridal shower as she is getting married this month and had her traditional wedding last month! We have learnt that so many of our friends look forward to a relaxed Friday evening BBQ full of music, food and dancing as it allows them to leave their stresses at home. Most recently we cooked 14kgs of rice and roasted 14kgs of chicken in an afternoon/evening and there was just no space left in the compound! Someone leaving Kampala very kindly donated a swing set and some kids games which has been a huge JOY to the children who come around. Our friends all seem to be giving birth this past few months, we are surrounded by baby boys which is wonderful!

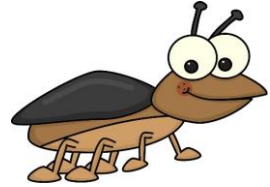
Our tailoring project, the Dorcas Dress has been restructured and has been going from strength to strength. Fridays are full of women learning to tailor and they are doing incredibly well! New friendships have been formed because they met at Musizi Joy!

BIG GIVE is a new exciting opportunity for us at Musizi Joy Foundation. We are strategically trying to fundraise for covering core costs such as salaries for the year of 2024. We are still a little way off our pledge target. Using the link below, would you be able to help?

<https://community.biggive.org/s/pledge?campaignId=a056900002RXutJAAT>



District Fundraiser by Bedhampton  
Friends of Guiding (FOG)



# FAMILY BEETLE DRIVE

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

5.45pm for 6.00pm start

St. Nicholas Church Centre, Belmont Grove

Adults - £3.00

Children (5 - 15yrs) £2.00



Tea/Coffee/Squash

Hotdogs - £2.00



**COME AND JOIN US -**

**ALL WELCOME**

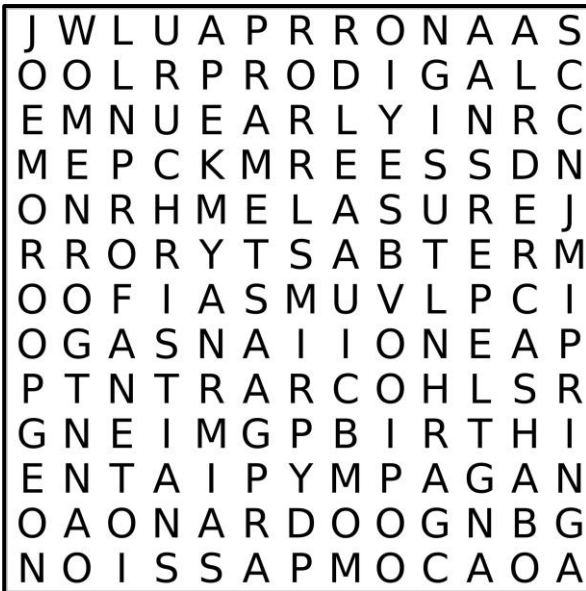
Purchase tickets on entrance or contact:

**07838230885 or 07895952959**



## Wordsearch – St Luke      Feast Day: 18th October

To St Luke, we owe a beautifully written gospel as well as the Book of Acts. He was a Greek physician and faithful travelling companion to St Paul. Under house arrest near the end of his life Paul noted, 'only Luke is with me'. Luke's gospel focuses on the compassion of Christ, and offers us moving parables, such as the Good Samaritan and Prodigal Son. Women figure more prominently in Luke's gospel than in any other: look out for the extended story of the Virgin Birth, and stories of Mary, Elizabeth, and the woman who was a sinner. His gospel also features more poor people, more lepers, more 'sinners', who are all shown to be 'inside' the love of Christ. In Acts, Luke skilfully links sacred and profane history, as subsequent archaeology has shown. He tells of how the early Christians moved away from Jerusalem into the pagan world, and especially on to Rome.



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|------------|-----------|
| Luke       | Prodigal  |
| physician  | Son       |
| companion  | women     |
| house      | Virgin    |
| arrest     | Birth     |
| Paul       | poor      |
| compassion | lepers    |
| parables   | sacred    |
| Good       | profane   |
| Samaritan  | pagan     |
| early      | Jerusalem |
| Christians | Rome      |

### SEPTEMBER SOLUTION



Answers  
next  
month



# YOUTH ACTIVITIES



## Summertime Activities continue . .

[www.1stbedhampton.co.uk](http://www.1stbedhampton.co.uk)

Today is a busy day. I'm juggling planning next week's Scout Summer Camp, finishing a number of work tasks and writing this article. I also need to find time to be a Husband and Father. Both my Wife and Daughter woke up as I wrote this and were quick to make that point! It sums up the busyness of July for myself and I believe many others. It started with the Bedhampton Summer Show. The next weekend we did a car wash. The following weekend was the Beaver Scout "Pirate" Camp which took place at Lyons Copse near Wickham. Beaver Scouts are the Group's youngest section and for many it would be their first camping experience. There was great fun and smiles despite a wind that regularly blew out the stove.

The end of term was also busy in the week. There has been Kayaking, Rector's Stream Cleaning (thank you Max!), Beach Parties, Rifle Shooting, Water Fun and Picnics. The Scouts were also welcomed to do lawn bowling at Bedhampton Bowling Club whilst the light was good. Thank you to Bedhampton Bowling Club for hosting us. It was great fun and not as easy as it looks!

I am pleased to say that Jess has agreed to become our Beaver Scout Section Leader from September whilst Mel has her baby. Thank you, Jess!

It allows me also to re-start my campaign for another Scout Leader/Helper which I put on hold whilst the Beaver leadership issue was ongoing. There are 4 regular Scout Leaders and Helpers that run the Scout (10 ½ - 14 year old) section. This allows us to go up to 24 Scouts. We are getting to that limit so I need either one regular or a few semi-regular leaders or helpers to expand further.

We also need some more help with our Executive Committee which supports the Group but isn't a weekly commitment. Please see our website and let us know of anyone interested.



*Nigel Vosper, Scout Leader*

## CUB CAMP

The Cub camp in August, 6 days and 5 nights, took place at Cricket Campsite, Bursledon, next to the beautiful Hamble River. We spent a lovely afternoon there messing about on the river, floating rafts, paddling and enjoying the play area with ice creams. On site, Cubs enjoyed Go-Carts, Rifle shooting and Abseiling along side more traditional Scout Crafts such a whittling with pen knives, lighting fires with flint and steel and trying to light a fire using a firebow. Some Cubs were very close to succeeding with this. Cubs cooked over open fires one day when the kitchen went on strike and made their own lunch.

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Our Big Day Out was to Moors Valley Country Park and the Go Ape Course. Cubs swung through the trees ( like the little monkeys they are!) before devouring a picnic lunch and climbing on all of the obstacles on the play trail before returning to camp tired but happy. Lots of games have been played and friendships made, as well as the Cubs learning a little bit of how to look after themselves and they have even learned how to wash up! Thank you to all the Leaders who helped.

*Akela*



*More photos next month*

### **BACK IN TIME in October** *Continued from page 8*

Also 40 years ago, on 25th October 1983, Microsoft Word 1.0 was released. It was the first version of the popular word processor, and Microsoft's first full-featured application.

30 years ago, on 15th October 1993, South African leaders Nelson Mandela and F.W. de Klerk, won the 1993 Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts to end apartheid.

25 years ago, on 16th October 1998, David Trimble and John Hume won the 1998 Nobel Peace Prize for brokering the Northern Ireland peace accord.

20 years ago, on 16th, 2003, Mother Teresa was beatified by Pope John Paul II and was given the title Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. (canonised as Saint Teresa in 2016)

15 years ago, on 24th October 2008, the 2008 financial crisis 'Bloody Friday' took place.

**The Garden Show at Broadlands**



**29 September - 1 October 2023**

Romsey, Hampshire SO51 8GG

We are very excited to be bringing The Garden Show to Broadlands this autumn. An excellent opportunity to explore all that autumn planting has to offer, the show will be set over three days and feature specialist growers, garden related goods, artisan designs, homeware products, fashion accessories and delicious country foods. There will also be talks, demonstrations, activities for young and old, expert advice and a variety of music and entertainment.

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## Summer Meal enjoyed

On 22nd August it was time for the usual get together for the Mothers' Union summer meal out. As usual, we took ourselves off to The Castle at Rowlands Castle for this event.

We invited the ladies from the Trefoil Guild to join us as three of our Mothers' Union members, including myself, are also members of the Trefoil Guild, it does save the three of us eating out twice and putting on extra weight, ha ha!

It was a lovely meal as always and I would take this opportunity of thanking Sarah Mayes and her staff for looking after us so well and for Christine Mayes, one of our members, for organising the menus etc.

We will be back at the Castle for our Christmas meal.

*Ann Partridge  
Branch Leader*

## A SMILE

A smile costs nothing, but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts for ever. None is so rich or mighty that he can get along without it, and none is so poor but that he can be made rich by it.

A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters goodwill in business, and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and it is nature's best antidote for trouble.

Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away.

Some people are too tired to give you a smile, give them one of yours, as none needs a smile as much as he who has no more to give.

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## 29<sup>th</sup> October - Bible Sunday as Ukrainians request more Bibles

The war in Ukraine has led to a dramatic rise in the demand for Bibles, as people ask existential questions about life and death. The Ukrainian Bible Society reports that, in the last 15 months, some 700,000 Bibles have been distributed across the war-torn country; a five-fold increase.

"We are doing everything possible to reach all the needs, but more Bibles are needed. With the help of the Word of God, we can bring the love of God to those who need it."

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# COMMUNITY EVENTS



## MOTHERS' UNION OCTOBER

*Wednesday 4th Holy Communion  
9.30am at St Thomas*

*Saturday 28th  
COFFEE MORNING  
at St Nicholas*

*We meet on the 4th Tuesday afternoon  
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Saturday 7th October: The Big Quiz, 7pm at St Nicholas'  
Friday 20th October: Family Beetle Drive at St Nicholas' Church, 6pm  
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Saturday 28th: MU Coffee Morning



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## Services for OCTOBER 2023

### SUNDAY 1st

St Thomas 9.00 am  
*St Nicholas 10.30 am*  
 St Thomas 6.00 pm  
 (On-line service 29<sup>th</sup> October)

### (Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity)

Holy Communion  
*Messy Church*  
 Compline  
 St Thomas)

### SUNDAY 8th

St Thomas 9.00 am  
*St Nicholas 10.30 am*  
 On-line service 5.00 pm  
 On-line service 6.00 pm

### (Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity)

Holy Communion  
*Morning Worship*  
 (St Nicholas)  
 (St Thomas)

### SUNDAY 15th

St Thomas 9.00 am  
*St Nicholas 10.30am*  
 St Thomas 6.00 pm  
 On-line service 6.00 pm

### (Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity)

Morning Praise  
*Holy Communion*  
 Celtic Evening Prayer  
 (St Nicholas)

### SUNDAY 22nd

St Thomas 9.00 am  
*St Nicholas 10.30am*  
 (On-line service 29<sup>th</sup> October)

### (Last Sunday after Trinity)

Holy Communion  
*Morning Worship*  
 St Thomas)

### SUNDAY 29th

St Thomas 9.00 am  
*St Nicholas 10.30am*  
 (On-line services)

### (Bible Sunday ; clocks go BACK one hour)

Holy Communion  
*Morning Worship*



**ON-LINE:** Where an on-line service mentions a church, at [www.Bedhampton.tv](http://www.Bedhampton.tv) and Facebook please do not go to the church building.

## MID-WEEK HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES

**Wednesday 4th** St Thomas 9.30 am Holy Communion (M.U.)  
**Wednesday 11th** St Thomas 9.30 am Holy Communion  
**Wednesday 18th** St Thomas 9.30 am Holy Communion  
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