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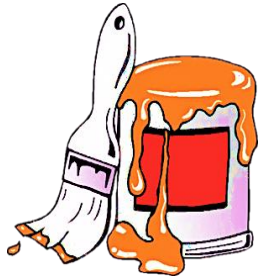


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The food bank is most in need of:

Tinned meals	Rice
Tinned puddings	jam
Tinned fruit and veg	spreads

Pot noodles/ Packet noodles
Coffee and sugar Toiletries

Thank you for your support.

Cover: Portsmouth Cathedral Chancel



GIVING

As I sit at my computer typing this for the magazine, I have had to stop to pick up the mail; lo and behold another three charity envelopes have been delivered and my heart sinks. It seems more and more of these, reach me week after week. Some of them are heartbreaking to read of the sick, starving, orphaned and deprived children, extreme poverty and every disaster imaginable. They are all asking me to support them in their work. I do already support a number of them, especially Christian ones, but there are so many in trouble and desperate need in the world we live in. I cannot support all these charities, I just have to select and do the little I can, with donations and regular contributions and with my prayers; prayers for those in need and give their lives and their God given gifts working together in the suffering of humanity. I think at this time of the seven aid workers killed in April in Gaza.

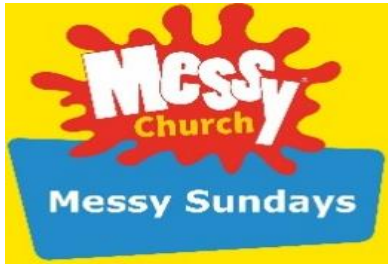
My heart often does sink at the first sight of all these charity letters that come through my door. When I read the letters and take in the wonderful work that is being done, sometimes in the most desperate situations, with limited resources by people motivated by their compassion, I give thanks to God. It is he who is at work in the world. Can we believe in the power of God's love? If we believe in his Son, Jesus Christ and give our lives to Him, we surely can.

In this world you will have trouble, but take heart! I have overcome the world
(John 16 v33).

If you have charity letters drop on your doormat, please try not to feel guilty because you do not have the resources to 'give', instead take a few moments to sit and pray for the Charity; God will thank you for that.

Love and blessings.

Ann Partridge
Churchwarden



All are welcome to Messy Church which usually takes place on each first Sunday of the month, 10.30am at St Nicholas Church. There are craft activities, songs and stories for the whole family.

Refreshments available.

ORDINATION OF DEACONS

Saturday 29th June, 11am

Portsmouth Cathedral

Polly Honeychurch, Deb Vears and Jo Lorimer will be amongst those who are to be ordained Deacons. The Cathedral is likely to be busy.

BUBBLE CHURCH

Bubble Church is a free puppet-packed, Jesus-centred coffee-and-croissant fuelled 30 minute kids and families adventure. Here's the deal; you turn up at St Nicholas' Church at 9.15am for a croissant and a tea or coffee. You'll be guided to a bubble and at 9.30am you and your little ones will share in 30 minutes of song, story, puppets and prayer. The first event took place in April when many families were welcomed. The next Bubble Church at Bedhampton Parish will be on the third Sunday of the month at 9.30am. on Sunday 16th June.



Pause And Pray

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

Monday 10th June 6 - 7pm

at The Bridge Church, Beach Road,
Hayling Island
All welcome

St Nick's Flicks

will meet again on

Tuesday

18th June

1.45 for 2pm

at St Nicholas' Church



A free film show with refreshments.

Enquiries to Parish Office.

All welcome – no need to book.



ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING APRIL 2024

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting [APCM] was held on Sunday 28th April 2024 and was attended by Revd. Max Cross and 39 parishioners. At the earlier Vestry Meeting, Church Wardens, Ann Partridge and Tracey Smith were elected.

At the APCM Deb Vears, Treasurer, presented the annual accounts which were unanimously approved by the meeting; the Independent Examiner was also appointed. Two people were appointed to the PCC and also to the Deanery Synod.

In his closing address, Max highlighted the success of spreading God's love in the parish through our various organisations and confirmed that we will also be Beating the Bounds again later this year. Attendance at services had grown by 13% during 2023 and there had been a substantial increase in the number of children and young families attending Fun Club and Messy Church; and with the introduction of Bubble Church, it is hoped that this will increase further. Transforming Lives for Good will be introduced in September 2024 where members of the church will work with local schools to help mentor young people.

Discipleship in small groups also saw an addition of another home group and the establishment of Evensong on the third Sunday of each month is another positive step in bringing prayer ever closer to our community. Max ended the meeting by inviting all to get more involved in joining together in prayer to experience the joy of knowing God's love every day of our lives.

Marie Payne
PCC Secretary

TIME TO PRAY FOR CHURCH WARDENS

Now that the annual meetings have taken place once again, it is time to consider the role of Church Wardens. Churchwardens have a vital and historical role in the life of the church. They are elected by the parish, not just the members of the church.

Wardens used to have a significant role in the wider life of the parish with responsibilities for charity, poor relief and even bridges and roads.

Their church duties today include:

Maintaining order and decency in the church and churchyard, especially during the time of divine service.

Being entrusted with the property of the church.

Having a duty to cooperate with the vicar.

Encouraging parishioners in practice of "true religion".

Quite a job! These are their legal duties, but we are also reminded to pray for them to seek God's will, not theirs or ours, but God's, and to strengthen the weak and encourage the fallen. Then they are equipped with our support and prayers to look after other people who need strength or support.



A TRIBUTE TO MY SISTER PAMELA ELLEN MORGAN

My longed for sister was born in the early hours of Sunday 31st January, 1943, seven days earlier than expected in Lewisham Hospital, probably the only time she was early. When she was only a few hours old, the air raid warning went and the ward had to be evacuated to the basement. Mum was slow in arriving at the nursery and could not see Pam. 'I can't find my baby,' she said and the Sister said, 'Hurry down Mrs Farmer, someone has already taken her.' Mum was quite anxious and relieved to be reunited with Pam when she arrived in the basement. All the babies had been placed in individual totally enclosed respirators. Filtered air was pumped by hand. A traumatic experience for a parent and the baby also.

Pam joked and said that experience had a traumatic effect on her life.

I chose the name Pamela and had a day off school to collect her from hospital with Dad. Pamela grew into a very bonny baby. Always smiling, she gained weight rapidly and by 4 months was a complete roly poly nicknamed by the neighbours 'Churchill', the national icon of the time especially as her hair hadn't grown. After a few months it grew and was a mass of auburn curls. I was delighted to be able to push her in the pram, a horrid thing in battleship grey. My mother hated that everything was stamped with a utility mark and Pam joked she herself had the utility mark stamped on her. On 28th June 1944, we were bombed out by a doodlebug. We had gone away to stay at Hertford that day and were not in the house. We then went from Hertford to Jaywick in Essex where we stayed until the end of October 1944.

There were twelve children in our extended family of cousins and all were eager to push the pram and entertain Pam. We returned to London to live next door but one to my Grandfather, about half a mile from where we had lived. Grandpa was quite terrifying at times and would yell out. Pam would climb on the fence and he would shout 'Get down' and she would answer 'Won't.'

We moved back to our original house in April 1947. The winter of 46/47 had been a terrible winter. An Aunt made Pam a Siren Suit out of a blanket to help combat the cold. This enabled her to play in the snow for longer and she was delighted when we moved back to see a huge snowman was still standing in the park behind our house and enough snow left for snowballs.

I went to the Baptist Sunday School but Pam was too young at 2 and a half. She would stand at our front gate crying. One day the Sunday School Superintendent's wife crossed over to ask why she was crying and said she could come and join the babies in the annexe.

Pam was delighted and here continued her love of singing when she learned many favourite songs such as *Jesus wants me for a sunbeam*. We both continued to attend the Baptist Church and joined in the summer outings etc. for several more years.

Pam started school aged 5 and as she grew older joined in everything. She played the part of the Angel Gabriel at Christmas. She was head and shoulders above the rest of the class and was always sought out to be on the netball team as goal shooter; she could almost score a goal standing on tip toe and only needed a little jump. Intercepting the ball was also easy. She loved the Scottish dancing they learned and later took to any type of dancing. When the twist came along many years later, she and John were whizz kids at it. Pam made friends easily and there were always crowds of children playing in the rec as the park was called. She was always generous and gave things away.

Pam didn't like Academic subjects very much and at the age of 13 she left secondary school to go to Pitman's college to learn commercial skills. She mastered the typing fairly well and shorthand to an extent but was not keen. Upon leaving school she worked in several different offices in a short time but was not keen on any. However during these various jobs she had been taught how to operate a switchboard. She liked this. Eventually she went to work for a school travel agency as their full time Receptionist/ Telephonist and absolutely loved it. She was good with people as a receptionist. She spent ten years with the travel agency and whirled her evenings away with dances, trips to funfairs and on the back of motor bikes. She loved speed, roller coasters, fast cars and many years later was very happy with her Fiat X19 sports car and even later the BMW Sports car she and John had. She loved animals and even as a little girl was never deterred by our cat who was prone to scratch her. But she still went on lovingly giving her a stroke.

Although Pam was 8 years younger than me, the gap gradually lessened in many ways. When she was 11 I enrolled her as a Guide in the company I was running, took her to camp where she played tricks on me and was proud of the fact she swam in our company team in the swimming gala and so helped win the shield.

She always loved sweets so it was unsurprising that she and John bought a sweet shop in 1973. Pam's fantastic social skills were at the forefront when she and John ran a number of paper shops, initially in Peckham and then latterly in Bedhampton Road.

Pam and John built their own house on Ham Island in Old Windsor, where many of Pam's favourite things could happen. A close knit community, often helping each other in times of need, many memorable parties and family reunions and of course dogs.

In 2018 we were delighted when Pam and John moved to Bedhampton. I am so pleased that we have had the past years together. I have lost my beloved baby sister and John has lost his wife and constant companion of over 50 years. In the past few years, he devoted himself to her care.

Marion Machell

Remembering Peter Slade

Peter was born in 1929 in Southampton and was raised with his younger brother, Bob, by his mother on her own, whilst father was a Merchant Seaman who sadly lost his life in 1942 when his ship was torpedoed. They moved to Blackburn to stay with a relative before returning to Southampton.

At the end of the war, Peter managed to get an Apprenticeship as a coachbuilder at the Eastleigh carriage works. He then had to do National Service and went into the RAF as an instrument mechanic. 18 months became 2 years because of the Korean War. He returned to Eastleigh before moving to Vickers Armstrong as an aircraft Woodworker and Interior Furnishing on Viscount Aircraft at Hurn Airport. In 1957 Peter decided he didn't want to work on the factory floor any more and applied to British Thomson-Houston (BTH) in Rugby to train as a draughtsman. He moved to Leicester and worked at AEI/GEC as an Electrical Draughtsman.

There he met Ann at a dance and they married in 1961. By then, Marconi had taken over the work Peter was doing. Their daughter, Helen, was born in 1966. Peter applied for a transfer to Portsmouth with Marconi in 1979 but was made redundant in 1985 after 27 years' service with GEC. Whilst a great shock to the family, Peter became very active in obtaining work through agencies and he travelled to Lancing, Chichester, then back to Pirelli's Carriage works at Eastleigh. His longest job was with Havant Borough Council for one year. He was then employed with Smarts in Fareham where he spent a happy 5 1/2 years before retirement.

He then decided to take up bell ringing at St Faith's in Havant which he very much enjoyed for 20 years until he could no longer climb the ladder and stairs to the ringing chamber.

Peter enjoyed DIY except plumbing! He did gardening, something that needed to be done rather than doing it for enjoyment. He enjoyed the company of his daughter and 3 grandsons, partly when he and Ann looked after them while Helen worked. He also enjoyed hearing about their various activities as they grew older.

Peter Slade

MARRIAGE RENEWAL EVENT

You are invited to join in a FREE special celebration of your marriage at St Thomas Church.

A short service of vows renewal led by Rev Max, followed by a reception with :
Celebration cake & bubbly, a Photo booth arch

Vows renewal certificate signing; Live entertainment

There will be a relaxed short service led by Rev Max as you, along with other married couples, renew your vows with your spouse and receive a blessing.

Book: 4pm **Sunday 14th** or 4pm **Sunday 21st July 2024**.

BIDBURY TIME CAPSULE BURIED

Last month, a time capsule was buried under a semi mature Rowan Tree chosen for the support such trees provide for over 80 species of invertebrates. The other tree planted was a "New Horizon" Elm which is a variety developed to be 100% resistant to Dutch Elm Disease.

The event was arranged by Bidbury Mead Friends to mark the start on work over the next 15 months to increase the bio diversity of the park supported by a grant from Portsmouth Water Company. The trees will replace those lost at the end of the car park and will reconnect the varied wildlife habitats of the park with that of the churchyard.

As School Governor Max stepped in to symbolically hand over the capsule to the Mayor Councillor Rosy Raines.



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- A Bidbury School jumper with logo
- Pencil case with equipment
- School map with classroom layout
- School dinner menu
- Our school values poster
- Photos of our school
- A golden leaf certificate to one child in each class in our celebratory assembly
- A golden leaf certificate given to the tidiest class at the end of the week
- A copy of our school newsletter sent to all parents
- A bottle of Prime, a popular drink, currently banned in school!

- A copy of our local newspaper
- A packet of Haribo, a popular sweet currently banned in school!
- A selection of books from this year's World Book Day
- A number of badges worn by children (Sports Leaders/ Eco Committee/ Head Boy/Girl)
- A £1 coin from 2019 /Golden star
- A selection of children's work which was completed in March 2024
- A copy of a Ye5ar 6 SATS paper
- A yellow and red card, part of our behaviour policy

MISSION NEWS

NEWS FROM SAM AND CHLOE

Sam and Chloe returned to Uganda in January following the arrival of Zeke. In April they sent an update of their news and progress.

“ Having three little kids, moving back to Uganda and settling back in has all been pretty full on! Good full, but full all the same!

Joyful moments

- Zeke reaching 6.8kgs at 3 months old last week! (March)
- Arabella turned 2! And enjoyed a cake that looked like a snail (her latest obsession has been with snails which she calls Shellys!)
- Sam turned 32! And enjoyed the biggest breakfast we could find! (his longest obsession...!!)
- Going to Church for the first time when we came back, we really felt a sense of community and being cared for. People cooked us meals and were just so kind!
- Chloe managed to take all 3 kids into the community for the day and had the best day of home visiting. The girlies were awesome, and Zeke embraced all the cuddles!
- Reuniting with Honey (our dog!) Zeeg was so happy to see how excited Honey was to see her!
- Spending time with both sets of Grandparents in the UK and being able to celebrate birthdays with them both!
- Getting a trampoline from an expat leaving, it's used on a daily basis!
- Our time away as a family in a static caravan at a retreat spot in the Lancaster area, precious family time as well as pastoral care!

Cycling

The Bike Park continues to move forward and close to opening! Signage and beautification needs to be done well to last long term, costs more than expected. We had to let a team member go which was unexpected. However, we are re-thinking the role he was doing and how we could make it better. The team were awesome when we were back in the UK. They maintained the place amazingly and hosted a friend at the Bike Park too!

Family

Life as a family of 5 is a joy! Zeke is just one awesome baby, he is super chilled and sleeps and feeds like a dream. Despite having a tongue tie for the first month of his life, he continues to gain weight and smile like a champion! The girls continue to obsess over him and have become more and more maternal in all that they do! Sleep isn't always easy with five of us in the bed, but we are working on that slowly!

We had such a precious time at a static caravan in the Lancaster area before we came back to Uganda. We didn't realise how much we needed space as a family of 5. We were able to process lots as we rested and had some wonderful pastoral care. Coming back to Uganda has been easier to adjust to than expected and we are so grateful for that.

Chloe has struggled a bit with finding a work/ life balance. Juggling being a Mum and working feels like a constant juggle, especially as the girls love going to work with her. We have a new security family living on the compound with us. We shared last time how Vicky and Rafa have now moved to their own place.”

Prayers are asked for the family and for their work in Uganda.



Sam and Chloe with Louise and Chris Maclay

Forthcoming events



Portsmouth Cathedral
 Sunday 2nd June
 8am broadcast on BBC Radio 4. D-
 Day 80

Lunchtime Live!
 Thursdays at 1.10pm
 6th, 13th June

Friday 14th June: Silent Disco
 6.30pm - midnight

Organ Recitals 7.30pm
 June 21st, David Price

Saturday 29th June:
 Ordination of Priests and Deacons
 Polly Honeychurch, Deb Vears

Ports Fest
Friday 28th June, 7.30pm
 Menhuin Room, Portsmouth
 Central Library
 Markus Simojoki – piano
 Winner of Portsmouth Music
 Festival

Organ Recitals
 St Peter’s Church, Petersfield
 Tuesdays at 1pm; 11th and 25th June
 Mark Dancer

Solent Male Voice Choir
 Saturday 8th June, 7.30pm
 St Faith’s Church, Havant

We congratulate Tracey Smith and Leanne Barber on taking part in the London Marathon. Although it was not their best effort this year, they did manage to complete the 25 mile course.

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.



Bedhampton Summer Show: Saturday 6th JULY 2024

HELP NEEDED

Thinking about volunteering? Would you be free on Saturday 6th July? The Bedhampton Summer Show committee is looking for volunteers. This could be setting up before the show, running a stall or putting away afterwards. If you are able to help, please contact us via our Facebook page. Together we can make a difference.

Any further information please email gary.underwood34@googlemail.com



STANSTED GARDEN SHOW

7th to 9th JUNE

10am – 5pm daily

Rowlands Castle, Hampshire, PO9 6DX

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The last show at this venue

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House open from 12 midday

Exhibitors – entertainment – refreshments



Broadlands Garden Show 26-28 JULY Romsey, Hampshire

THE MANOR TRUST BEDHAMPTON

Upcoming events

Wednesday 26th June, 7.30pm

Portsdown Hill: A Stroll through time

An illustrated talk by Nigel Gossop

Saturday 3rd August, 1 – 4pm

The Manor Trust Summer Fair

Sunday 15th September

Heritage Open Day

Free parking at Bidbury Mead

www.manortrust.org.uk

BEDHAMPTON COURT NURSING

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FUN DAY

On Thursday 27th June

2 – 4pm

to promote all the facilities available
to those who may need nursing care.

BBQ, Refreshments, Bouncy Castle,
Games, and Entertainment.

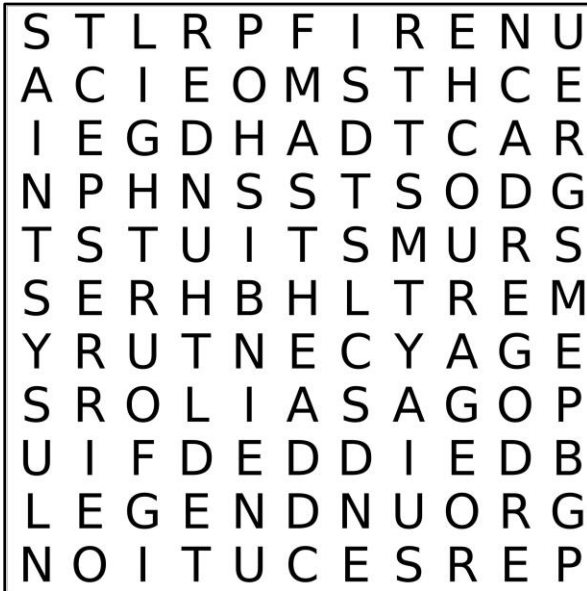
COMMUNITY

BACK IN TIME in June

- 200 years ago, on 16th June 1824, a London vicar, Arthur Broome, and some friends, and the MP William Wilberforce (anti-slavery campaigner) met to found the SPCA - the first national animal protection society in the world.
- 150 years ago on 22nd June 1874, the first lawn tennis sets went on sale in London, designed by Walter Clopton Wingfield, credited with having invented modern lawn tennis. Wimbledon began hosting international lawn tennis championships in 1877.
- 100 years ago, on 8th June 1924 George Mallory, British mountaineer, disappeared on Mount Everest. His body was found in 1999.
- 80 years ago, on 6th June 1944 the D-Day and the Normandy Landings took place. More than 150,000 Allied troops landed on the beaches of Normandy. The Battle of Normandy ended on 25th August. Allied victory.
- 80 years ago, on 13th June 1944, Germany launched the first V-1 flying bomb ('doodlebug') attack on London. 9,521 V-1s were fired at London and SE England during the war.
- 75 years ago, on 8th June 1949, George Orwell's novel *Nineteen Eighty-Four* was published.
- 70 years ago, on 7th June 1954, Alan Turing, British mathematician, logician, cryptanalyst, and computer scientist died. Noted for his contributions to code-breaking during World War II at Bletchley Park in Buckinghamshire.
- 60 years ago, on 4th June 1964, the Beatles' first world tour was held. Over two months they played 30 concerts in seven countries, beginning in Copenhagen.
- 50 years ago on 28th June 1974, chemists at the University of California, Irvine, published the first report that warned that chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) could damage the Earth's ozone layer. CFCs were widely used in refrigerators, air conditioning systems and in aerosol propellants.
- 40 years ago, on 3rd to 6th June 1984, Indian government troops stormed the Golden Temple in Amritsar, which was being held by a Sikh militant group. More than 1,000 people were killed, including the group's leader. It led to the assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi that autumn.
- 30 years ago, on 6th June 1994, the highest individual score in first-class cricket was achieved. Brian Lara scored 501 not out while playing for Warwickshire against Durham. It is the only score of 500 or more in first-class cricket history.
- 25 years ago, on 8th June 1999, the former British cabinet minister Jonathan Aitken was sentenced to 18 months in prison for perjury and perverting the course of justice after he admitted lying during a libel action against The Guardian and Granada TV. He served seven months, the only British cabinet minister to have been imprisoned.
- 15 years ago, on 25th June 2009, Michael Jackson 'the King of Pop', American singer, songwriter, and dancer, died of an anaesthetic overdose, aged 50.
- 10 years ago, on 29th June 2014, the jihadist group Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIS or ISIL or Daesh) formally changed its name to the Islamic State and declared itself a caliphate; formed in 1999 as an affiliate of the terrorist organisation Al-Qaeda.

Wordsearch – Erasmus, patron saint of sailors – 2nd June

Do you like messing about in boats? If so, then you'll have heard of St Elmo's Fire. It is the light that is sometimes seen on mastheads of boats after storms at sea. St Elmo is another name for St Erasmus, a fourth century Syrian bishop who was not afraid of violent storms. Legend has it that one day when Erasmus was preaching outside, a thunderbolt hit the ground right beside him. That might have distracted modern bishops, but not Erasmus – he just kept on preaching. His courage won him the respect of sailors, who made him their patron saint. Erasmus finally died during the Diocletian persecutions in 300AD; his feast day is 2nd June.



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| Light | Ground |
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| Storm | Courage |
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| Fourth | Saints |
| Century | Died |
| Bishop | persecution |

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES



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On St Georges Day (Tuesday 23rd April), the Cubs met at Staunton Park to renew their promise. St. George is both the patron saint of England and Scouting. They enjoyed a fun evening pond dipping, exploring their environment and playing

in the park. Not to be outdone the Scouts repeated the experience on the Wednesday and added in an outdoor planning meeting. The Beavers went wild and wacky, celebrating St. George by having a very messy paint jousting that looked great fun.

The Scouts have also made Shelters that were mostly waterproof when tested by Nigel. The Cubs have done some experiments as part of their scientist badge, including making some very slimy slime (sorry parents), and Beavers have planted some cress seeds ready for their healthy eating badge later this month.



As always, thank you to everyone who helps us it is very much appreciated, we are however quite short of leaders. We especially need help in our Scouts (10-14 years old) and Beaver Section (6-8 years). Please speak to Judy or Nigel if interested.

We can be flexible, so the offer does not have to be for every week and training is given. In addition, we are in need of a quartermaster. This involves some DIY and organising repairs and upkeep of our equipment.

Judy Colwell

Left: Cubs and Scouts renewing their Promises at Staunton Park.





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Bedhampton
Scouts.**



Our Scout Adult Leadership is unfortunately down and we need help to give young people skills for life.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Left: Beaver Scouts enjoying some jousting as part of their St George's Day activities. Note their painted faces!

Below:
More photos of the Muttons:
Left: Zara-Grace with Zeke and doll tucked up in the cot.
Right: Sam's birthday breakfast

The Promises

The Beaver Scout Promise for members who are Christian

I promise to do my best to be kind and helpful and to love God.

The Cub Scout Promise for members who are Christian

I promise that I will do my best to do my duty to God and to The King, to help other people and to keep the Cub Scout Law.

The Scout Promise begins "On my honour, ...,"



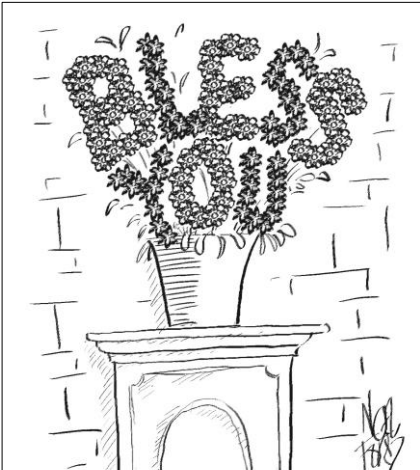


APRIL MEETING

Our April meeting was held on Tuesday 23rd when we were joined by members from Trefoil when we competed in a Beetle Drive. We also had a quiz during our usual afternoon tea which helped to keep our brains alert for the final session!

Our Mothers' Union Branch is growing and we have welcomed another new member in the past few months and anyone wishing to join would be most welcome. Our meetings are very much community based with a very varied programme throughout the year and our next meeting will be held on 28th May when we will be joined by Revd. Max Cross who will be talking about his last Camino trip and, hopefully, on his recent trip to Ghana with the Rt. Rev. Jonathan Frost, Bishop of Portsmouth.

Marie Payne
Branch Secretary



When it was Mrs Wilson's turn to do the flowers, she always kept in mind the Rector's hay fever.

The D-Day 80 Normandy Landings

Eighty years ago, on 6th June 1944, the D-Day Normandy Landings took place. More than 150,000 Allied troops landed on the beaches of Normandy. The Battle of Normandy ended on 25th August with an Allied victory.

This year, handmade silhouettes of almost 1,500 servicemen were transported to Normandy for an art installation, *Standing with Giants*, to mark the anniversary. There will be commemorative events both in France and in Portsmouth. This will include exhibitions at the D Day Museum and in various libraries throughout the area.

On Southsea Common, a special day on 5th June and a Memorial service will take place on 6th June with the lighting of beacons later at 9.15pm, one at the Naval Base and another at Southsea Castle.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS



MOTHERS' UNION JUNE

*Wednesday 5th Holy Communion
9.30am at St Thomas*

*Tuesday 25th 2 pm Branch Meeting
Speaker: Hilda Arkell
It's a Mug's Life*

*At St Nicholas Church All welcome
Contact: Marie Payne: 07929 776687*

The Arts
Society
Portsmouth



In the Wake of Handel

Speaker: Peter Medhurst

Thursday 13th June 2pm
at the Spring Arts Centre, Havant



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FAMILY NEWS

We send our good wishes
to all those who celebrate
birthdays and anniversaries
this month, including
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We pray for those who are
unwell, including Paddy Williams
and Sally Honeychurch.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Church Family

Jack Clark
Leahdora McBride
Ronnie Perkins



Dates for your diary

Sunday 16th June Bubble Church, 9.30am.
St Nicholas Church. *(see page 3)*

Saturday 6th July: Bedhampton Summer Show



WEDDINGS

We wish every happiness for the future to those recently married

Charlotte Miller and Robert Blight
Alice Elkins and John Wake

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the families of those who have recently died

Peter Slade
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Peter Bee



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Services for JUNE 2024

SUNDAY 2nd

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

(Trinity 1)

Holy Communion
Messy Sunday
 Compline
 (St Thomas)

SUNDAY 9th

St Thomas 9.00 am
St Nicholas 10.30 am
 St Thomas 6.00 pm

(Trinity 2)

Holy Communion
Morning Worship
 Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 16th

St Thomas 9.00 am
St Nicholas 9.15am
St Nicholas 10.30am
 St Thomas 6.00 pm
 On-line service 6.00 pm

(Trinity 3, Fathers' Day)

Morning Praise
Bubble Church
Holy Communion
 Celtic Evening Prayer
 (St Nicholas)

SUNDAY 23rd

St Thomas 9.00 am
St Nicholas 10.30am

(Trinity 4)

Holy Communion
Morning Praise

SUNDAY 30th

St Thomas 9.00 am
St Nicholas 10.30am

(Trinity 5)

Holy Communion
Morning Worship

On-line services are usually available for both services each week.

MID-WEEK HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES

Wednesday 5th	St Thomas	9.30 am	Holy Communion (M.U.)
Wednesday 12th	St Thomas	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 19th	St Thomas	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 26th	St Thomas	9.30 am	Holy Communion

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