

Sunday 1 May

GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (3.30pm): *Concert by the USA Swing Band and the Songbirds.* Admission free, retiring collection for historic organ appeal, refreshments available.

Wednesday 2 May

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (12noon): *Mass and charity lunch.*
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (6pm): *Choral Evensong sung by the choir of St John's College, Southsea.*

Thursday 3 May

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (1.10pm): *Lunchtime live!* Piano recital by Huay Lim and Huoy Lim. Refreshments on sale from 12.30pm. Tickets: £2.50/£2. Details: 023-9289 2965.

Saturday 5 May

GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (7.30pm): *Handel organ concertos and contemporary music.* With Andrew Cleary and the chamber orchestra from Christ's Hospital School.
BLACKMOOR, St Matthew's Church (7.30pm): *Winchester College Quiristers.* Popular mix of sacred and secular music. Tickets: £15, including buffet supper, from 01420-473646/479518 or blackmoorvillagehall@yahoo.com. Proceeds in aid of Blackmoor Village Hall.

Sunday 6 May

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (11.15am): *Falklands Remembrance Service.* To mark the 30th anniversary since the conflict. With the Orchestra of the Royal Marines. Preacher: Canon Roger Devonshire, former naval chaplain who served in the war.
GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (3.30pm): *Talk and concert.* Talk on Handel by Professor Graydon Beeks, followed by choral concert by the University of Portsmouth Chamber Choir and Baroque Orchestra. Admission free, retiring collection.

Monday 7 May

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (10am): *May fayre.* Annual community fayre in the church and grounds. Around 10,000 people enjoy attractions including real ale tent, arena displays, bouncy castle, bands, funfair rides and more than 100 stalls. To book a stall or display space, ring 023-9229 3020.

Thursday 10 May

SOUTHSEA, House of Bethany, 7 Nelson Road (10am-3pm): *Julian festival day.* Conducted by the Rev Pennie Payne. Includes meditation, buffet lunch, midday office and tea.
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (1.10pm): *Lunchtime live!* Organ recital by Sam Gladstone from Portsmouth Grammar School. Refreshments on sale from 12.30pm. Tickets: £2.50/£2. Details: 023-9289 2965.

Saturday 12 May

WIDLEY, Christ Church, London Road (10am-12noon): *Coffee morning.* Proceeds to the Mothers' Union.
VENTNOR, St Alban the Martyr Church (10.30am-12noon): *Coffee morning.* With good books and home-made cakes. Proceeds to church funds.
BRADING, St Mary's church hall (7pm): *Quiz night.* £3 per person, including refreshments. Proceeds for the Bell Restoration Appeal.

Saturday 12 May -

Sunday 13 May
SOUTHSEA, St Simon's Church, Waverley Road (Saturday: 10am-8pm;

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK: May 13-19

Worshippers will be doing house-to-house collections, raising money to help the poorest people in our world. If you would like to join a local team of collectors, call Christian Aid's regional co-ordinator Charlotte Page on 023-8070 6969. The following special events are also being held for Christian Aid Week in our diocese:

Saturday 12 May

HAYLING ISLAND, United Reformed Church, Hollow Lane (11.30am-12.30pm and 1pm-3pm): *Launch of Christian Aid Week.* With free, open-air gig by the band Captain Stomp, tea and biscuits inside. Details: Wendy Evans (023-9246 9019).
BRIGHSTONE, St Mary's Church (7pm): *Concert of musical talent.* Variety of local musicians perform. Proceeds to Christian Aid. Details: Miriam Crewe (01983-741061).
BEDHAMPTON, St Nicholas church centre, Belmont Grove (7pm): *Quiz night.* Cost: £7, including hot meal. To book, ring the parish office on 023-9248

3013, Lyn Booth on 023-9248 6043 or Sue Tate on 023-9247 5375.

Sunday 13 May

SOBERTON, St Peter's Church (1.30pm): *Sponsored walk for Meon Valley.* Short, medium and long routes available. Details: Robin Boston (01329-832618).
SARISBURY GREEN, Holly Hill Woodland Park, Barnes Lane (2pm-5pm): *Sponsored walk.* One-mile, family and wheelchair-friendly walk. Enjoy Fairtrade snacks in picnic area. Details: Maddy Brand (01329-281486 or maddy.brand@btinternet.com).
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth

Cathedral, High Street (6pm): *Evensong, with preacher Paul Valentin, associate director international of Christian Aid.*

Saturday 19 May

LIPHOOK, Liphook Church Centre (10am-12noon): *Coffee morning.* Proceeds to Christian Aid.
SANDOWN, St John's church annexe (10.15am): *Sponsored walk.* Five-mile walk takes in rural and coastal scenery. Details: John Cooper (01983-403410 or cooperjayemm@btinternet.com).

Sunday: 1pm-4.30pm): *Red Door Brides.* Exhibition of wedding dresses, photos, videos and other memories of wedding days at St Simon's. Flowers, refreshments, perfume samples available. Tickets: £5, available on 023-9282 9440 or admin@stsimons-southsea.org.uk.
SOBERTON, St Peter's Church (Saturday and Sunday: 10am-4pm): *Pattern of Life.* Display of local christening gowns with histories. Flowers and other items of interest. Musical interludes. Refreshments. £2 (under 10s: free).

sale from 12.30pm. Tickets: £2.50/£2. Details: 023-9289 2965.
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (7.30pm): *Ascension Day parish mass.* Includes commissioning of PCC.

Saturday 19 May

BRADING, St Mary's Church (10am-12noon): *Coffee morning.* Proceeds for the Bell Restoration Appeal.
SOUTHSEA, House of Bethany, 7 Nelson Road (10am-4pm): *Quiet day.* Conducted by Fr Antony Homer. Please bring a packed lunch, drinks and tea provided. Please let the Sisters know if you are coming on 023-9283 3498 or ssb@sistersofbethany.org.uk.
PORTSMOUTH, Victoria Park (11am-5pm): *Portsmouth Summer Fair and Picnic.* Organised by Portsmouth Climate Action Network. Includes pedal-powered stage and cinema, live music, poetry and drama, films, games, crafts eco/ethical gifts, energy and money-saving solutions. All free of charge. Details: www.portsmouthsummerfair.org.
WEST MEON, West Meon House (2pm): *Church fete.* Traditional village fete. Cream teas, jazz band, raffle, stalls, sideshows, bouncy castle and dancing displays. Details: 01730-829518 or westmeonchurch@gmail.com.

ture music. By Baroque Ad Hoc and the Madrigal Friends, to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. Tea and cake afterwards. Free admission, with retiring collection in aid of Spirit in Sport. Details: 01329-232688.
GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (6pm): *Festal Evensong.* Sung by the Portsmouth Cathedral Choir. Includes the blessing of the restored Handel organ by Bishop Christopher. See page 4 for details.

Thursday 24 May

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (1.10pm): *Lunchtime live!* Organ recital by Nigel Groome. Refreshments on sale from 12.30pm. Tickets: £2.50/£2. Details: 023-9289 2965.

Saturday 26 May

GOSPORT, St Thomas the Apostle, Elson Road (10am-2pm): *Summer fayre.*
PURBROOK, St John the Baptist church hall (1pm-5.30pm): *Jubilee Fun Time.* Children from four to 13 years old are invited for art, craft, music, games, puppets, and a tea party. Cost: £1.50. Contact: Eve (023-9226 3540) or Marion (023-9224 1014) or Margaret on trouble911@gmail.com.



Canon Roger Devonshire (cathedral, May 6)

Sunday 13 May

PORTSMOUTH, Church of the Resurrection, Penrhyn Avenue, Drayton (3pm): *Concert by the Highbury Band.* In aid of the Multiple Sclerosis charity. Tickets: £5, available on burrellmerriejulia@ntlworld.com.
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (4pm): *St Mary's Music Foundation concert.* Joint concert with St Mary's choir and Portsmouth High School. Admission free, retiring collection in aid of the foundation, which helps young people develop music skills.

Monday 14 May

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (10.30am): *Legal service followed by reception.*

Wednesday 16 May

BEMBRIDGE, Bembridge Village Hall (2pm-4.30pm): *Line dancing and a cream tea.* Organised by the Friends of Holy Trinity Bembridge. £5 per person. Contact: Olive 01983-874218.
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (6pm): *Choral Evensong sung by the choir of Carisbrooke High School, Isle of Wight.*

Thursday 17 May

PORTSMOUTH, St Wilfrid's Church, George Street, Fratton (12noon): *Charity lunch.*
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (1.10pm): *Lunchtime live!* Organ recital by Nick Miller from Portsmouth Cathedral. Refreshments on

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (6pm): *Baptism and confirmation service.*
GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (7.30pm): *Choral concert by the Fareham Philharmonic Choir.* Includes Handel's *The King Shall Rejoice*, the *Hallelujah Chorus*, and *Zadok the Priest*, Haydn's *Nelson Mass* and Elgar's *Sea Pictures*. Tickets: £11/£9.50/£2, available on 01329-664948.
FAREHAM, Ferneham Hall (7.30pm): *A Summer Evening on the Water.* Concert by Havant Chamber Orchestra, including Bach, Handel, Mozart's *Piano Concerto Number 17* and Weber. Soloist: Andrew Ball. Tickets: £18/£15.50/£12/£7, available on 01329-23194 or www.fernehamhall.co.uk

Saturday 19 May -

Sunday 20 May
GATCOMBE, St Olave's Church (10am-4pm): *Christening exhibition and flower festival.* Includes celebratory service at 3.30pm on May 20. Refreshments available throughout the weekend. Free admission, donations in aid of the church welcome.

Sunday 20 May

VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Sung Mass.* For the Ascension of Our Lord.
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (11.15am): *City service.*
FAREHAM, Holy Trinity Church (3.30pm): *Concert of 17th and 18th cen-*



Sunday 20 May

WATERLOOVILLE, Hart Plain Church, Hart Plain Avenue (4pm): *'Messy Church for adults.'* Includes cake-decorating, card-making and DVDs about the work of Christian Aid, followed by tea; (6.30pm): *Christian Aid service.* Speaker: Charlotte Page, Christian Aid's regional co-ordinator for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight

PORTSMOUTH, St Cuthbert's Church (2pm): *Opening service for new worship area with Bishop Christopher.* The culmination of ambitious plan to re-develop the church. See page 7 for details.

Sunday 27 May

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (9.30am): *Informal Parish Eucharist for Pentecost and Baptism;* (8pm): *Taizé-style night prayer led by Canon Michael Tristram.*
VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Sung Mass.* For Whit Sunday.

Thursday 31 May

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (1.10pm): *Lunchtime live!* Recital by ensemble of Portsmouth Grammar School musicians. Refreshments on sale from 12.30pm. Tickets: £2.50/£2. Details: 023-9289 2965.

● *Would you like your church's events for June listed here? Send details to:* Pompey Chimes, First Floor, Peninsular House, Wharf Road, Portsmouth, PO2 8HB or to neil.pugmire@portsmouth.anglican.org by May 7.

items offered

RYDE: St John's Church has 20 copies of the Alpha Course book (2010 edition), which can be given free to a good home.

Contact the vicar, the Rev Hugh Wright, on hugh.wright1@virgin.net or 01983-562863 if you are interested.

announcements

Appointments:

The Rt Rev Timothy Bavin, Bishop of Portsmouth 1984-94, now OSB, Alton Abbey, to be honorary assistant bishop. See page 5 for details.
Canon Karina Green, vicar, St George's, Portsea, and Continuing Ministerial Education and Initial Ministerial Education adviser, to be priest-in-charge, St Alban's, West Leigh. She will be licensed on a date to be announced.
The Rev Alison Kerr, assistant curate, Benefice of the Lytchetts and Upton (Salisbury diocese) to be priest-in-charge of Whippingham and East Cowes.
The Rev Charlie Peer, priest-in-charge, Kea (Truro diocese) to be mission development officer. See page 3 for details.
The Rev Claire Towns, assistant curate, St John the Baptist, Beeston (Southwell and Nottingham diocese) to be vicar of St Barnabas, Swanmore. She will be licensed on a date to be announced.

Northfleet (Rochester diocese). His licensing is on June 22.

Retirements:

The Rev Chris Woodman, priest-in-charge, St Peter and St Paul, Fareham, and St Francis, Funtley, with effect from April 30.
The Rev Penny Payne, assistant curate, St Mary's, Hayling Island, with effect from April 4.

Deaths:

Canon Peter Oades was formerly curate at Warblington-with Emsworth (1967-68), parish priest in Salisbury diocese, Canon and Prebentary, Salisbury Cathedral (1985-89), and lived in Cowplain following his retirement. He died on March 22.
The Rev Paul Wilson was formerly curate at Shorwell and Brightstone (1983-86), and team vicar, chaplain and parish priest at various posts in St Albans, Exeter and Salisbury dioceses. He retired to Shanklin in 2003 and had permission to officiate in our diocese. He died on March 26.

Resignations:

Canon Ted Goodyer, rector, St Mary's, Alverstoke, with effect from June 12. He will become chaplain, Huggens College,