

Wednesday 1 July
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's, Fratton Road (12noon): *Mass and charity lunch.*

Thursday 2 July
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (1.10pm): *Lunchtime live.*
PORTCHESTER, St Mary's Church (1pm): *Lunchtime concert.* David Cain (organ). Admission free. Retiring collection. Concerts continue every Thursday lunchtime at 1pm until August 27 (but no concert on July 23). For details, see: www.stmary-portchester.org.uk/blog/music

Friday 3 July - Sunday 5 July
HAYLING ISLAND, St Peter's Church, (Friday and Saturday: 10am-5.30pm; Sunday: 12.30pm-5.30pm): *Flower Festival.* Theme: celebrations. See page 4 for details. Contact: 023-9263 7353.

Saturday 4 July
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (11am): *Ordination of Deacons; (6pm): Ordination of Priests.* See page 3 for details.
PURBROOK, St John's Church, London Road (10am-2pm): *Old-fashioned summer fete.* American theme to recognise Independence Day. Traditional stalls and sideshows. Cream teas. Tables available. Contact Alfred Wooten to book (023-9279 8215 or alfwootten@outlook.com).

NEWPORT, Newport Minster (9.30am-3.30pm): *Spirituality day.* Theme: What is prayer and how do you do it? Led by Tim Slade. Cost: £8.50. To book please contact Kay Lancaster (023-9289 9656 or kay.lancaster@portsmouth.anglican.org).
GURDARD, All Saints Church and grounds (12pm-3pm): *Summer fair.* Stalls including white elephant, books, cakes, competitions and raffle. Refreshments.

WARSAASH, Strawberry Fields, Shore Road (12pm-4.30pm): *Warsash Festival.* Community event. St Mary's Church will provide cream teas, children's entertainments, crafts, plant and book stalls, plus info about church projects and events.
VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (7.15pm): *Troy Players consort.* Refreshments. Admission free. Retiring collection.

Sunday 5 July
VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am) and GODSHILL, All Saints (11am): *Solemn sung mass.* Preacher: the Rt Rev Ian Gray.
LOWER NEWCHURCH, Langbridge Chapel (4pm): *Evening prayer using Book of Common Prayer.* Homily: the Rt Rev Ian Gray.
GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (3.30pm): *Concert by Bishops Bells.* Details: www.holytrinitygospport.co.uk

Wednesday 8 July
COSHAM, Cosham Baptist Church, Havant Road (7.30pm): *Help in Bereavement open evening.* Find out more about training as a volunteer visitor for the bereaved. Details: 07834 457284 or via training@help-in-bereavement.co.uk

Friday 10 July - Sunday 12 July
RYDE, All Saints Church (Friday from 7.30pm; Saturday: 10am-5pm; Sunday 11am-5pm): *Flower Festival.* Theme: All the Saints. Refreshments available. Choral Evensong on Sunday at 6.30pm, followed by cheese and wine. Details: Noreen Cross (01983 568742) or Mary Taylor (01983 612138).

Saturday 11 July
SOUTHSEA, House of Bethany, 7 Nelson Road (10am-4pm): *Quiet day.* Led by Rev Alison Parker.

BOTLEY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2015: July 5-11

BOTLEY, All Saints Church: Some of the events are listed below. For details and tickets, please call 07784 283723 or visit www.botley.com/musicfestival.

Sunday 5 July (2.30pm): *Kaleidoscope String Quartet with afternoon tea; (6.30pm): Festival Choral Evensong.*

Monday 6 July (12.30pm): *Bella Armonia; (7pm): Uplham Recorder Orchestra and young musicians from Botley Primary School.*

Tuesday 7 July (10am): *Maraca Jacks; (12.30pm): Organ Recital by Dr David Price, Master of Choristers from Portsmouth Cathedral; (7.30pm): Nelson Consort Chamber Choir.*

Please bring a packed lunch, drinks and tea will be provided. Cost: £6. Please contact the Sisters to let them know you are coming on 023-9283 3498 or email sb@ sistersofbethany.org.uk.

FAREHAM, St John the Evangelist Church, 1a Upper St Michael's Grove (10am-3pm): *Church open day.* Stalls, displays, live music, bouncy castle. Admission free.
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (2pm-4pm): *Messy Cathedral.* Fun and craft for families followed by a short service and special afternoon tea.

FAREHAM, St Columba Church (7pm): *Concert.* 'Music for a Summer Evening' featuring harp and organ music. Retiring collection for Development Fund.
HAYLING ISLAND, St Mary's Church, Church Road (7pm): *Concert by the Salvation Army Songsters.* Interval refreshments. Admission free. Donations towards the Community Room Appeal. Contact: 023-9311 3011.

SOUTHSEA, Church of the Holy Spirit, Fawcett Road (7.30pm): *Concert.* 'East Meets West' by the Renaissance Choir. Choruses from Rachmaninov's *Vespers*, Part's *Beattitudes* and music from Europe and America. Tickets: £12/£10/£2, available on 023-9247 5259 or www.renaissancechoir.org.uk.

Wednesday 15 July
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (1pm): *Piano Recital by Grace Yeo.* See page 4 for details.
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (7pm-9pm): *Talk on Suffragettes by June Purvis.*

Thursday 16 July
PORTSMOUTH, St Wilfrid's Church, George Street (12noon): *Charity lunch.*
PORTCHESTER, St Mary's Church (1pm): *Piano Recital by Grace Yeo.* See page 4 for details.

Friday 17 July
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (7.30pm): *Sixties night.* Music and dancing. Wear 60s outfits. Tickets (£5), available on 023-9281 4444.
RYDE, St John's Church (7.30pm): *Concert by Wight Harmony.* Admission free. Retiring collection for church funds.

announcements

Appointment
The Rev Jo Spreadbury, vicar, St Lawrence the Martyr, Abbots Langley with Ascension, Bedmond (St Albans diocese) to be Canon Precentor, Portsmouth Cathedral, from September 19.

Retirements
Canon Michael Tristram, Senior Canon and Liturgist, Portsmouth Cathedral, from August 5.

The Rev Ann Leonard, vicar, St Andrew and St Peter, Hayling Island, from July 31.

The Rev John Davies, priest-in-charge, St Saviour on the Cliff, Shanklin, and the Good Shepherd, Lake, from August 23.

Correction
The Rev Beth Woodgate became vicar (not priest-in-charge) of St Mary the Virgin, Ringmer, from June 15.

Wednesday 8 July (12.30pm): *Song Recital (Adrian Green).*

Thursday 9 July (12.30pm): *All Saints' Reading Group literary and musical walk; (7.30pm): Bacchus Brass Chamber group.*

Friday 10 July (12.30pm): *Harp Recital (Fiona Thompson); (7.30pm): Festival music quiz and fish & chip supper.*

Saturday 11 July (7.30pm): *Last Night of the Botley Proms.*

Saturday 18 July - Monday 20 July
HAWKLEY, St Peter and St Paul Church (Saturday: 11.30am-6pm; Sunday 11am-4.30pm and Monday 10am-4pm): *Flower festival to mark 150th anniversary.* For details, see page 2.

Saturday 18 July
PORTSMOUTH, St Faith's, Landport (10am): *Coffee morning and mini market.*
COSHAM, St Philip's Church hall, Hawthorn Crescent (11am-2pm): *Table top sale.* Stalls, cakes, bacon rolls and homemade soup. Admission: 40p. To book a table (£5), ring 023-9237 9278.
VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (7.15pm): *Concert by Alex Malby.*

Sunday 19 July
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's churchyard, Fratton Road (1.30pm-4pm): *Music Foundation Concert.* Cantelina Youth Choir, Nadina String Quartet and Music for Brass. Admission free. Retiring collection towards the Music Foundation to develop musical skills of young people; (2.30pm-4pm): *Strawberry tea and chance to climb the St Mary's tower.* Tickets available on 023-9281 4444.
CARISBROOKE, St Mary's Church (3pm): *More music that's easy to listen to.* With church choir and organists. Admission free. Retiring collection to Friends of Carisbrooke Church.
LOWER NEWCHURCH, Langbridge Chapel (4pm): *Evening prayer (BCP) to mark chapel's 170th anniversary.*
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (6pm-7pm): *Evensong.* Includes presentation of certificates to Bishop's Foundation Course participants.

WARSAASH, The Hard, by the Shore (6.30pm): *Shore Service.* Celebrating the area's close links with the sea and seafarers. Music by St Mary's Church and Warsash Band. Uniformed organisations on parade. In aid of Mission to Seafarers.

Thursday 23 July
GURNARD, All Saints Church (10.15am-12noon): *Coffee and chat morning.* Refreshments free.

Saturday 25 July
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth

Cathedral (9.30am-3.30pm): *Spirituality day.* Theme: Let go and let God. Led by Rachel and Jeremy Hicks. Cost: £8.50. To book, contact Kay Lancaster (023-9289 9656 or kay.lancaster@portsmouth.anglican.org).

Monday 27 July - Saturday 29 August
TITCHFIELD, St Peter's Church (10am-4.30pm daily, except Sunday): *Annual summer show.* Stalls, displays and demonstrations including crafts, jewellery, cards, jams, chutney, stoneware, wood turning, glass engraving, textiles and toys. Spinner demonstration from August 3-7. Refreshments available. Admission free.

Tuesday 28 July
FAREHAM, Holy Trinity Church (1.05pm): *Lunchtime concert by Karen Taylor and Friends - Classics Known and New.* Drinks provided, please bring lunch. Admission free. Retiring collection.

Thursday 30 July
SHANKLIN, Shanklin cricket club grounds, West Hill (1pm-4pm): *St Blasius old parish church annual fete.* Stalls and refreshments. Entertainment from Gillian Cartwright dancers and dog agility show.

Friday 31 July
ALTON, Alton Abbey church (7.30pm): *Hymns and Pimms with St Lawrence Church choir.* To choose a hymn please ring Br John on 01420 562145. Tickets: £5.

Sunday 2 August
GODSHILL, All Saints Church (10.30am): *Solemn sung mass.* Preacher: the Rt Rev Norman Banks, Bishop of Richborough. Includes confirmation and dedication of the completed building works on the west wall.

Thursday 6 August
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's, Fratton (7.30pm): *Mass for the Transfiguration.* Guest preacher and refreshments.

Saturday 8 August
ALTON, Alton Abbey (2pm-5pm): *Car boot sale.* Admission: £2. Refreshments available. Details: 01420 562126 or foaa@hurley.greenbee.net.

Sunday 9 August - Saturday 15 August
COWES, Holy Trinity Church, Queens Road (10am-5pm): *Church open daily as part of Cowes Week.* Includes Seafarers service at 11am on August 9, and Combined Sailing Clubs service at 6.15pm. Refreshments served during fireworks display on August 14.

item offered

PORTCHESTER: St Mary's Church is looking to replace its electronic organ later this year and is looking for a purchaser for the original instrument. The organ is a two-manual Makin Westmorland of 34 stops, plus a fanfare trumpet listed. Built in 2003, it includes external speakers for church use on an 8:1 system. Offers in the region of £8,000. Contact: David Cain (023-9289 9664).

situation vacant

SOUTHSEA: St Jude's Church in Southsea is offering an opportunity for a discipleship year for someone in their early 20s or a post-graduate, who is an enthusiastic potential leader wanting to explore their gifts and calling in a vibrant, growing family church. This position, with their children, youth and family team, will give you the opportunity to work with their young people, their music team, or be part of their emerging student ministry. It involves a placement for 12 months, from September 2015, accommodation with a host family, a living allowance, line management, mentors and peer support and opportunities for training. Details: Andy Gilbert, operations manager (023-9275 0442 or andy.gilbert@stjudes-southsea.org.uk). Closing date: August 1. Please note this role is subject to enhanced DBS checks.

Monday 10th August - Saturday 15 August
EAST COWES, St James Church, Church Path (daily: 10am-4pm, plus Wednesday and Thursday: 6.30pm-8.30pm): *Annual jigsaw puzzle festival.* Hundreds of completed jigsaw puzzles on display and for sale, plus secondhand books. Refreshments available. Admission free. Contact: 01983 294075.

Sunday 16 August
VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Solemn sung mass.* Preacher: Sister Mary Claire.
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (10am): *Patronal festival mass.* Thanksgiving for the life of St Mary's Church and the community it serves. Preacher: the Rt Rev Graeme Knowles, former Dean of St Paul's Cathedral; (2pm-4pm): *Chance to climb the St Mary's Church tower.*
GODSHILL, All Saints Church (11am): *Service.* Preacher: Sister Mary Claire.
LOWER NEWCHURCH, Langbridge Chapel (4pm): *Evening prayer (BCP).* Followed by tea.

Wednesday 19 August
PORTSMOUTH, St Faith's Church, Craxwell Street (10am): *Coffee, chat, cakes and a chance to explore prayer.* Organised by the parish spirituality group.

Saturday 22 August
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (10am): *Syrian Orthodox service.*

Sunday 23 August
VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Solemn sung mass; (3.30pm): Sung Evensong followed by 'Conversazione' to celebrate John Bejerman's birthday.* Tea party will follow.

Thursday 27 August
GURNARD, All Saints Church (10.15am-12noon): *Coffee and chat.* Refreshments free.

Sunday 6 September
GOSPORT, St Mary the Virgin Church, Rowmer Lane (6pm): *Sung mass to celebrate the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary with Gosport Deanery Choir.* Followed by parish party. Preacher: The Rt Revd Dom Giles Hill, OSB, Abbot of Alton.

● *Would you like your events for September listed here? Send them to Neil Pugmire on neil.pugmire@portsmouth.anglican.org or at Diocesan offices, First Floor, Peninsular House, Wharf Road, Portsmouth, PO1 2HB by August 10. NB: There is no separate August edition.*