

Parish of Farlington

Monthly Information Sheet

December 2011



Thursday 1 December

9.30am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

Saturday 3 December

9.00am Saturday Reflections at St Andrew's

10am Christmas clean-up at Resurrection

Sunday 4 December

8am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's

9.30am Family Eucharist at Resurrection

11.15am Family Eucharist at St Andrew's

Tuesday 6 December

7.30pm Women's Fellowship Group at Resurrection

Wednesday 7 December

10am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's

2pm Care and Fellowship Group meets at Resurrection

7pm Said Eucharist at Resurrection

Thursday 8 December

9.30am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

Saturday 10 December

8am Fellowship Breakfast at Resurrection (see notice)

9am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

11am-2pm Christmas Fair at Resurrection in aid of Building Project

Sunday 11 December

8am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's

10am Family Service at Resurrection

12 noon Baptisms

Wednesday 14 December

10am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's

7pm Said Eucharist at Resurrection

Thursday 15 December

9.30am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

Saturday 17 December

9am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

7.30pm Concert at Resurrection in aid of Building Project (see notice)

Sunday 18 December

8am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's

9.30am Family Eucharist at Resurrection

11.15am Family Eucharist at St Andrew's

4pm 9 lessons and carols at St Andrew's

6pm 9 lessons and carols at Resurrection

Tuesday 20 December

7.30pm Men's Fellowship Group meets at Resurrection

Wednesday 21 December

10am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's

7pm Said Eucharist at Resurrection

Thursday 22 December

9.30am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

Saturday 24 December CHRISTMAS EVE

9am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

Times tba Crib Service at St Andrew's

Crib Service at Resurrection

11.30pm Midnight Mass at Resurrection

Sunday 25 December CHRISTMAS

10am Family Eucharist at St Andrew's

Wednesday 28 December

10am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's

7pm Said Eucharist at Resurrection

Thursday 29 December

9.30am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

Fellowship Breakfast—Resurrection Hall - 8 am Saturday 10

December: Come and join together for a Full English Breakfast (or vegetarian alternative) at the amazing cost of just £2.50 per person. A good chance to meet together informally and enjoy each other's company and a hearty breakfast. For catering purposes I will need names (and preferably the £2.50) in advance. Please contact John Twine on 92796318, 07719 645871 or twinefamily@sky.com

Parish Buildings Project fundraising: - Christmas Fair, Saturday 10 December, 11 am to 2 pm, at the Church of the Resurrection

Saturday 17 December - Christmas Old and New: a concert of Christmas music, sacred and secular, performed by a hand-picked choir led by Elizabeth Holland and accompanied by Ian Walker, at the **Church of the Resurrection, starting at 7.30pm.** Admission £5 by ticket in advance or pay on the door. Tickets available from the parish office on 9242 1849, or email office@farlingtonparish.co.uk

Faith and Football Carol Service - Pompey Football Club, Fratton Park, Monday 19 December: A great chance to invite your friends, family or colleagues along to this absolutely FREE event, including mulled wine and mince pies and SPECIAL GUESTS. Festive Family Fun starts in The Victory Suite at 6 pm, and the service itself starts at 7 pm (finishing about 8.15). Advance tickets not needed - just turn up on the night. Thousands of people have enjoyed this really special evening over the past 2 years. Further details available from John Twine or Geoff Wilson

Readings and Intercessions for December

4 December
Isaiah 40.1-11

2nd of Advent
Mark 1.1-8

- Pray for the Diocese of Egypt and the outreach of the church in north Africa. In particular, we pray for all those who witness to Christ in Muslim contexts. We pray for harmony between different faith groups.
- This week we pray for people who have AIDS
- *Diocesan prayer (See Pew Sheet)*
- For our parish building project
- For residents of Galt Road and Gillman Road
- Anniversaries: Harry Stephenson, Grace Stickland, Pat Negus, Margaret Neville, Bill Raggett and Harry Schofield

11 December
Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11

3rd of Advent
John 1.6-8,19-28

- This week we pray for the Diocese of Mauritius. We pray for diocesan initiatives to equip and empower church leaders and laity for outreach, particularly to those Anglicans who were once active church members.
- For Amnesty International and Prisoners of Conscience
- *Diocesan prayer (see Pew Sheet)*
- For our parish building project
- For residents of Glenleigh Avenue and Goffton Avenue
- Anniversaries: Alfred Williams, Fred Robinson, Patrick Hughes, William Pulling, Gordon Gisborne and Gladys Stephenson

18 December
2 Samuel 7.1-11,16

4th of Advent
Luke 1.26-38

- This week we meditate on the Christmas story. As we do so, we will pray for churches, governments and all peoples of the world as they struggle to live in a world that needs the Light of Christ.
- For Prisoners and their families
- *Diocesan prayer (see Pew Sheet)*
- For our parish building project
- For residents of Grant Road and Grove Road
- Anniversaries: Dennis Cotterell

24 December
Isaiah 52.7-10
25 December
Isaiah 62.6-12

Christmas Eve
John 1.1-14
Christmas
Luke 2.8-20

- Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart... Give thanks for the gospel and for the hope that is ours in Christ Jesus.
- For our local Police and Magistrates
- *Diocesan prayer (See Pew Sheet)*
- For our parish building project
- For residents of Hardy Road and Havant Road
- Anniversaries: Deirdre Davies, Francis Brown, Zena Harvey, Christine Rayner, John Blatt, Mike Dent, Irene Hammer, Gladys King, Annie Heathman, Christine Cheeseman and Ellen Rogers.

Are you a grandparent who would like some help?

THE Grandparents' Association is a national charity that works to improve the lives of children by supporting relationships between grandparents and grandchildren.

What can we do to help you in Portsmouth?? Approximately 200,000 grandparents care full time for grandchildren and 5 million grandparents provide equivalent of 3 days' care each week. However, 1 million grandparents are denied contact with their grandchildren!

We have a range of services to help: • Information & Support line: **0845 4349585** • Help with benefits & grants etc: **0844 3571033**

In Portsmouth • One to One support from Volunteer Advisors to help with school, social care & other meetings/letters etc

• Monthly Portsmouth group for grandparents who provide a lot of care to grandchildren

• Weekly grandparent and child group for under 5s

For information contact: louisa.vearn@grandparents-association.org.uk Tel: 023 92 294726 www.grandparents-association.org.uk

Contacts: Rector: Revd Paul Gully 023 9237 5145

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Parish Office: 023 9242 1849

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Churchwardens:

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Resurrection: Linda Upton 023 9264 0836

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Resurrection: Hannah Emerton 023 9238 1552

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St Andrew's: Ann Howells 023 9238 7571

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Email for Resurrection hall bookings:

bookings@farlingtonparish.co.uk

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