

Newsletter

27th November 2022



St. Mary the Virgin, Hartfield
Holy Trinity, Colemans Hatch

Services This Week



First Sunday of Advent

9.30am – Morning Worship, all age service at
St Mary's.

11.00am – Holy Communion BCP at
Holy Trinity.

» **Sunday 4th December**

9.30am – A quiet reflective Holy Communion Service at St Mary's.

11am – Matins BCP at Holy Trinity.

6.30pm – Advent Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity



» **Friday 9th December**

6pm – 8pm - Live Nativity starting on the croft to begin the journey. Final destination is in St Mary's Church for refreshments.

» **Sunday 11th December**

9.30am – School Christmas Praise Service for all ages at St Mary's.

11am – Holy Communion BCP at Holy Trinity.



» **Sunday 18th December**

9.30am – Holy Communion at St Mary's.

11am – Matins with Carols at Holy Trinity.

6.30pm – A Joint Service of 9 Lessons and Carols at St Mary's.

» **Saturday 24th December**

4pm – Crib Service at St Mary's.

11.15pm – Joint Service of Midnight Communion at St Mary's.

» **Sunday 25th December**

8am – BCP Holy Communion Said at St Mary's.

9.30am – Christmas Celebration Communion Service at St Mary's.

11am - Christmas Celebration Communion Service at Holy Trinity

» **Sunday 1st January**

8am – BCP Holy Communion at St Mary's

11am – Matins BCP at Holy Trinity



St Mary's Church in Hartfield, warmly
welcomes you to
join
St Mary's school
for a

Christingle Service

14th December 2022

From

9.30am – 10.30am



Collect Prayers

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great
humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

HOMEGROUP POTLUCK SUPPER

Our Homegroups have proved incredibly valuable for all who attend over the last couple of years. Currently, we have two groups who meet in the village, one meets just after lunch on a Monday, the other on a Tuesday evening. Both groups are relaxed and friendly, offering a safe place to come and share, pray and look at what God may be saying to us through his Word. I know the support my group has given me through my highs and lows has been a massive blessing and is a big part of my week.

Our Homegroups come together a couple of times a year for an eagerly anticipated joint social where we can invite friends and family. This Christmas we are excited to expand the invitation to the whole church, especially our church members who would like to find out a bit more about our Homegroups...

It is always an amazing feast, so please feel free to come, enjoy wonderful food and enjoy a very relaxed Christmas Social.

Please put Tuesday 13th December at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church in your diary. We can't wait to see you!

Please contact Elaine Frost at admsmht@gmail.com if you would like to come.



All age service

December 11th 2022

at

St Mary's Church

9.30am



TRINITY CAFÉ COLEMANS HATCH



Trinity café has come a long way since we started in 2015. We have now become a regular meeting place, for local people and neighbouring villages.

We have grown over the years and have developed the café into a well-established venue with a sociable and hospitable atmosphere. In summer we have outdoor seating with gazebos and parasols.

With Cafes every second and fourth Thursday of each month, we have made a lot of new friends and have added more events to our diary. We can be found at our annual church fete every May, followed in June with "Jazz on the Lawn", where you are invited to bring friends and family for a summer evening picnic with music.

Last year we held a magnificent event for the Platinum Jubilee of her late Majesty The Queen, this year, we will hold a Coronation Lunch for His Majesty King Charles 111. The latest addition to our calendar is our monthly Trinity Talks where we invite a local resident to come along to give us a talk on a subject of interest from their life. The evening starts at 5.45 with nibbles and wine, the talk begins at 6pm and lasts 45 minutes with time for questions afterwards.

As we approach the Christmas season our café is suitably decorated and we enjoy the season's fayre of mince pies and cakes with a carol or two by the Christmas Tree.

Throughout the year we offer freshly made, home-baked cakes and pastries, delivered on the morning of our café. Hot chocolate, squash, fresh coffee, and a choice of teas all served in our collection of vintage china. We do not

have a price list; all donations are divided between our locally chosen charity and the upkeep of Trinity Hall. All are welcome and we have an area for children with books and toys. The cafe is the hub of Coleman's Hatch and all are welcome.

Always fundraising, these are some of our local charities: Our local Police Specials, Coleman's Hatch Alms Houses, Riding for the disabled, The Bevern Trust, Crowborough First Responders, The Ashdown Forest Foundation.

We choose a different local charity each year.

In Trinity Hall, Coleman's Hatch From 9.30am-12pm

Next dates are:

Thursday 8th December

Thursday 22nd December

For more information, please contact:

Sheila Van Maurik on 01892 770 273

Eve James on 07753 615032



Church Street Community Café

St Mary's Church

Please come and join us everyone is welcome!

With Homemade cake, tea and coffee.

From 2pm to 4pm

every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

Next dates are:

Thursday 1st December

CHURCH STREET COMMUNITY

CHRISTMAS CAFE

THURSDAY, 15TH DECEMBER

2PM – 4PM



COME AND ENJOY DELICIOUS HOMEMADE CAKE, TEA AND COFFEE

**WE WILL BE SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND MAKING
DECORATIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE**



EVERYONE WELCOME

for more information contact Joanne Griffin on 07941 856715
or email msjoannegriffin@gmail.com

Please pray for our choir Director, Angela Ogle and the choir as they rehearse for our Advent and Christmas services. We thank them for their dedication throughout the year. We also give thanks for Barry our organist.

Please pray for Donna Dewar our licensed reader for her prayerful dedication to Holy Trinity.

For our café teams. Those who bake and serve and all who generously support us.

We pray for all our Christmas services that they might reflect the wonder and glory of God. Please think about inviting your neighbours.

Kate's Children and Youth Corner

Connect @5 runs from
5 - 6.30pm

The next Connect @5 dates are:

Thursday 1st December – Connect @5 Social event

Thursday 15th December



The Next Sunday Discoverers dates
are:

Sunday 4th December.

Sunday 18th December.

If you would like to get in touch with
Kate her email is

katedillingham97@gmail.com



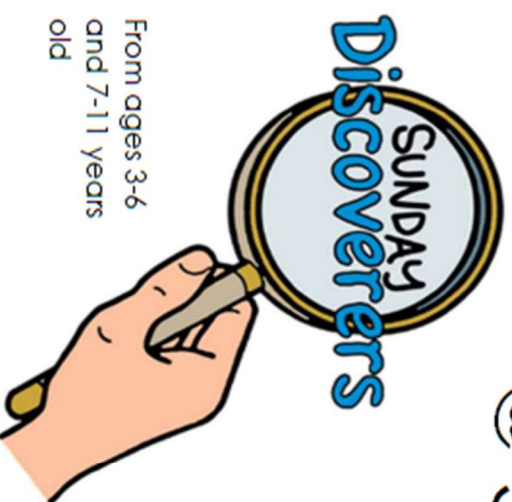
**If you are interested in
helping with the children and
youth group please let
yourself be known to Kate,
catch her in Church to talk to**

her or email her. A DBS check will be required.

katedillingham97@gmail.com

What's on?

@ St Mary's Church, Hartfield



From ages 3-6
and 7-11 years
old

& Holy Communion
1st & 3rd Sundays 9.30 am



Youth weekend away-
Camping, fun, food, and
bible talks. For year 6 and
up

Maycamp - 26th-29th May



2nd & 4th Sundays 9.30am



Coming soon - Little Stars. A Baby and Toddler
group. Starting January 2023
Every Monday morning @ 9.30-10.45



1st & 3rd Thursdays, 2-4pm

Kate will be there, so this will
be a chance to chat and
play games with her.



Twice a month @ 5pm
Games, food and bible study
for year 5 and up

Any queries contact Kate Dillingham: katedillingham97@gmail.com or 07526 135436
Or Revd. Julie Sear: revjuliesear@gmail.com or 01892 770436



The Advent story
of hope and mystery,
anticipation,
preparation,
a kingdom
of this world and the next,
and a king
appearing when we least expect.
Heaven touching earth,
the footsteps of the divine
walking dusty roads
as once they did in Eden,
and a people,
searching for a Saviour,
and walking past
the stable.
Open eyes and hearts,
that this might be
an Advent of hope to the world.

Please pray for....

For peace and justice in our world. For the leaders of the nations. For our government and all who bear responsibility on our nation, for wisdom to seek first justice and peace.

For refugees, the international response to the refugee crisis – and for our own response. Pray for the families we are welcoming into our parishes, for host families and for the whole support network.

For our schools – children, teachers and families.

For God's blessing on Kate Dillingham and all our children and youth work.

For those across the world suffering from the impacts of climate change. For a greater sense of urgency from politicians and major companies in tackling the causes and consequences.

Please consider giving to our discretionary fund to help struggling families or the elderly. If you would like to know more please contact Rev Julie on 01892 770436 or revjuliesear1@gmail.com

For all who have been bereaved this week. May they know the comfort of God and the love and support of friends and family.

We pray especially for the family of Brenda Brunsdon, Who's thanksgiving service will take place on Tuesday the 13th of December at 12.30pm in St Mary's Church.

For those who are unwell in mind, body and spirit. We pray especially for Rob McGlew; Andrea Johnson; Rosie Hewson; and all those known to us who need our prayers at this time.

Please give thanks for all who use their gift in the life of our churches and community.

*I can do all things
through Christ
who Strengthens me.*

- Philippians 4:13

