Newsletter 14th January 2024

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

Happy New Year to everyone!

Over the next four weeks we are going to be looking at our Mission Action Plans together.

These documents are the one collective way we as churches, can pray and equip ourselves as Christians. To make sure our own spiritual lives and the life and mission of our churches is healthy and growing. I really want to ask you over the next four weeks to take a MAP and read it. Please look at the bible readings and use them to pray in the coming weeks. I hope you feel excited about what God is doing across the Benefice.

This week we are looking at **upwards.** How are we doing with reading God's Word to enable us to know, love and follow Jesus throughout our lives. What brought us to faith in the first place?

I hope to remind us that God tells us that the power to do all these things is given to us in Christ, who strengthens us." And so I invite you to join me, as we look forward to the year ahead together.

WESLEYAN COVENANT PRAYER

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed for thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Our Services Today

Sunday 14th January

9.30am – Morning Worship - St Mary's 11am – Holy Communion – Holy Trinity

Upcoming Services

Sunday 21st January

9.30am – Holy Communion – St Mary's 11am – Matins – Holy Trinity

Sunday 28th January

9.30am – Morning Worship - St Mary's 11am – Holy Communion - Holy Trinity

Sunday 4th February

9.30am – Holy Communion - St Mary's
11am – Matins - Holy Trinity
6.30pm – Choral Evensong – Holy Trinity

Sunday 11th February

9.30am – Morning Worship - St Mary's 11am – Holy Communion - Holy Trinity

Wednesday 14th February – Ash Wednesday

10.30am – Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion - St Mary's

Romans 10: 8-15

⁸But what does it say? 'The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,' that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: ⁹if you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. ¹¹As Scripture says, 'Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.' ¹²For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile – the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³for, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

¹⁴How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

2 Timothy 1:1-14

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, in keeping with the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

² To Timothy, my dear son:

Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thanksgiving

³I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

Appeal for Loyalty to Paul and the Gospel

⁶ For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

⁷ For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. ⁸ So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God. ⁹ He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, ¹⁰ but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹ And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. ¹² That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.

¹³What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

<u>Collects</u>

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

> Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





<u>Websites</u>

Please take a look at the Hartfield and Colemans hatch websites at:

hartfieldchurch.org and colemanshatchchurch.org

for up-to-date information on Events and Services.

There is a *calendar* or *what's on* page which is being updated regularly.

Church Street Community Cafe

lst and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 2pm - 4pm.

Homemade cake, tea, and coffee. Everyone welcome.

Table with crafts and games for children.

<u>upcoming dates</u> Thursday 18th January Thursday 1st February Thursday 15th February Thursday 7th March

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





Trinity Hall, behind Holy Trinity Church, Coleman's Hatch, TN7 4HN

Friday19th January 2024 6pm

The North West Passage by Caroline Daszewska

The talks begin at 6.00pm and last for about 45 minutes.

Refreshments will be available from 5.45 and also after the Talk, when our speaker will be happy to answer your questions.

Contact the following for more details and booking.

<u>events@colemanshatchchurch.org</u> Caroline Daszewska– 07513 290482



TRINITY HALL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Recommences on Friday 26th January 2024

Our experienced caller, Alex, leads us with kindness and patience and it's quite surprising how quickly we learn the steps!

The music is uplifting, exuberant, and always enjoyable.

We are keen to recruit new participants so if you would like to join, we meet on the 4th Friday each month starting at 7pm, with a break at 8pm for our supper which we bring with us.

The entrance fee is £5 per person which includes a glass of wine. Children are free and most welcome.



Parent & toddler group Mondays @ St Mary's Church, Hartfield

Upcoming dates

15th January 22nd January 29th January 5th February

9.15 to 10.45am Tea and Coffee Provided



Join us for games, food and fun From 5-6.15pm in the Village Hall Thursday dates are 25th January 8th February 22nd February 14th March

For more information please contact Matt Marriott at m.marriott@btconnect.com



Held in the Oast House in the Anchor car park from 5pm-6pm, A monthly meeting for our connect crew. Thursday dates are: 18th January

Where Matt and Christina can share some food while we chat, read and question, while exploring the Christian faith together. hursday dates are: 18th January 15th February 21st March 18th April

For more information please contact Matt Marriott at m.marriott@btconnect.com



Held in the Rectory from 9.30am, for breakfast and chats, before heading back to church for communion.

Sunday dates are: 21st January 4th February 3rd March 17th March

Come, relax and chat as we build relationship with Jesus and each other!!

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If you would like to donate to the East Grinstead food bank, there are boxes in both churches.

Please note items must be in date, not homemade and nonperishable.

> Coffee Small/Medium Deodorant for Men Deodorant for Women Instant Mash Potato - Packet Kitchen Roll Spray Surface Cleaner Tinned Custard Toilet Rolls Washing Up Liquid All Purpose Cloths -10 pack

For any other information please go to their website <u>https://eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk</u>



This week we are praying for...

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. Ukraine. Israel and Gaza.

For refugees, the international response to the refugee crisis – and for our own response.

For those who are unwell and undergoing tests; we especially remember David Cooper.

For the Family of Timothy John Cottenham whose funeral will be held at Holy Trinity Church on Monday 15th January at midday. All those who have been bereaved.

For our schools – children, teachers and families.

For God's blessing on all who lead 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.

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

Please pray for our PCC's, as they meet on the 16th of January in St Mary's Church to look at this year's Mission Action Plan.

With every blessing, Rev Julie <u>www.hartfieldchurch.org</u> or <u>www.colemanshatchchurch.org</u>

Deadline for next newsletter is 12pm Monday 22nd January.

If you would like something placed into the newsletter please send it to <u>admsmht@gmail.com</u>

