



St. Simon's Church Newsletter

Sunday 23rd July 2017

Wayne Palmer

A Service of Thanksgiving for Wayne's life will be held at 1.30 pm on **Tuesday 1st August** in St. Simon's church, followed by a cremation at Portchester Crematorium at 3.15 pm; all are very welcome to attend either or both of these services.

Tuesday Bible Alive – future dates

There will be no meetings in August.

All meetings are at 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge.

Men's Breakfast, 29th July

The Men's Breakfast planned for **Saturday 29th July** has been cancelled. As an alternative, some men are meeting at 08.30 am at the Tenth Hole, Eastern Parade. All men are welcome.

Ladies' Mini Golf, 4th August

St. Simon's Ladies' Open Mini Golf Championship evening at the golf course in the funfair, Clarence Pier. Followed by a drink at The Canteen, Old Portsmouth. Please contact Dinah Walters to book.

Grub Club lunch

Grub Club – lunch at Rocksby's on **Wednesday 9th August**. Phil Gower is organising the group booking for lunch at Rocksby's. However, since planning this, Rocksby's has been taken over by the A-Bar and the menu is being changed. There is no longer a seniors' lunch; a limited number of main courses are priced between £7 and £9 for staples such as fish and chips, burgers and ham, egg and chips. Please contact Phil for details or to book.

Chernobyl Children

The Chernobyl Children will be in Portsmouth from 28th July for four weeks. A big thank-you to everyone for money and other gifts that have been given; they all help to make their stay special. A Tea Party will be held on **Wednesday 9th August** at St. Nicholas church hall, Battenburg Avenue, Copnor 2.00-4.00 pm. Please come – all welcome. Kathy Richardson.

Men's Mini Golf, 18th August

St. Simon's Men's Mini Golf and Pub Night at the golf course in the funfair, Clarence Pier. Please contact Phil Gower to book.

Minibus driver wanted – August 24th

Bryn is taking a group to Soul Survivor in August. Is anybody available to drive the minibus to bring them home on **Thursday 24th August** please? Please contact Bryn or Mick in the office if you may be able to help. Note that the venue is now the East of England Showground in Peterborough.

The Marriage Course

The Marriage Course starts on **Wednesday 6th September** and runs on Wednesdays until 18th October. Please see the leaflets (coming soon) on the Welcome Table for further details.

Ride & Stride 2017

Ride & Stride will be on **Saturday 9th September** this year. We need volunteers to help with welcoming and refreshments on the day and one or two people to co-ordinate things in advance – offers to Mick in the office please.

Cleaner/Caretaker volunteers

We need volunteers to cover essential cleaning duties when William is on holiday. Please contact Mick in the church office if you are able to help on an occasional or longer-term basis.

Marie Curie Helper Service

This is a new service for the Portsmouth area for those living with a terminal illness. They are looking for Helper volunteers aged over 18, who can give three hours a week to chat to people, help them get to an appointment or just be there with a friendly ear. For further information please call 0800 304 7023, or the email address is available from the church office. See website: mariecurie.org.uk/helper



Breakthru summer break

Please note that Breakthru is now on a summer break and will restart in September.

Little Shipmates summer break

Please note that the last session of Little Shipmates will be Monday 24th July. It will start again on Monday 4th September.

Future Newsletter dates

Due to the summer holiday period, the next Newsletter will be 13th August, then 10th September and then fortnightly as usual.

Regular Events

Little Shipmates (Mondays 9.30 – 11 am, Church Centre, term time)

Tuesday Time Together (Praise and Prayer, 10 am in the South Room)

Tuesday Bible Alive (Alternate Tuesdays, 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge)

Temples for 11-18 year-olds (Tuesdays 7.00-8.30 pm)

City Churches Prayer Meeting (Wednesdays 6.30am, at Oasis, Arundel Street)

Breakthru Self-Help Community (Fridays 10.30 am to 2.30 pm)

Fusion Café (Fridays 4.00-5.30 pm, term time)

Sunday Morning Worship with Children's Groups (see back page)

Sunday Suppers (Sunday nights 6.00 to 7.15 pm)

Rhythm of Prayer (Wednesdays at 6.00 pm and Fridays at 09.30 am)

Prayer for Israel (fourth Fridays 3.00–4.00 pm Lounge. Contact Ruth Warner)

There is also a variety of **Small Groups** for adults for discipleship, prayer and support. Phone the Church Office on 023 9282 9440 or you can find a list of our current groups on our website.

Notes

These Newsletters are published fortnightly. The deadline for contributions is midnight of the Tuesday before publication. Please send your news, notices of events, etc. to the Church Office.

Would you like to read this Newsletter in large print? Please let the office know.

This newsletter is available on the church website.

If you would like to receive notification via e-mail when future Newsletters are available, please request this from the Church Office.

Services at St. Simon's

Sunday 23rd July

10.30 am Morning Praise
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

Sunday 30th July

10.30 am Morning Praise
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

Sunday 6th August

9.00 am Shipmates
10.30 am Holy Communion
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

If you would like more details of any of the events listed here, please contact the Church Office, or visit the Calendar on our website:

www.stsimons-southsea.org.uk



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