



## St. Simon's Church Newsletter

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017

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### The Marriage Course

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The Marriage Course starts on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September** and runs on Wednesdays until 18<sup>th</sup> October. Please see the [leaflets](#) on the Welcome Table for further details.



## Tuesday Bible Alive – future dates

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19 <sup>th</sup> September	God's Plan for us: Part 4 – Deliverance
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	God's Plan for us: Part 5 - God's Promises
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Women of the Bible (2): Part 1 – Motherly Love
31 <sup>st</sup> October	Women of the Bible (2): Part 2 – It takes all sorts!

All meetings are at 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge.

## Deanery Confirmation Service

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The Deanery Confirmation Service planned for **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September** has been cancelled.

## Skiffle Orchestra Concert

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**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September**, 7-9 p.m. in the Church Centre – Southsea Skiffle Orchestra will be performing to support St. Simon's Church. Tickets are available from Hilary Poley - £5. A ploughman's supper will be served in the interval.

## Beetle Drive

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### **Beetle Drive**

**3-5 p.m., Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

**St. Simon's Church Centre**



**Adult £3**

*Tea/coffee/squash and biscuits included.*

*Suitable for 5-105 year olds!*

**Raffle**



**Child £1**

Tickets are on sale now - please contact Ruth Taylor.

## Harvest Thanksgiving

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Our Harvest Thanksgiving service will be at 10.30 on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September**. In addition to focussing on God's provision, we will be regarding the day as a Gift Day with a specific opportunity for us to give financially towards the ongoing work on the windows. Please come prepared for this and please consider Gift Aiding any donations where appropriate.

Please also bring any offerings of food. All dried/tinned food will be given to Sunday Suppers this year.

The service will be followed by coffee as usual and then a bring-and-share lunch. Please bring a plate of food to share on the day. Michelle McGannan is coordinating this event.

## Do Something Different Days

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'Do Something Different Days' for older people. These days run from 10.00 am to 3.30 pm with activities, lunch and a film in the afternoon. The cost is £5 per person to include lunch, payable on the day, but places need to be booked by contacting Jill Phipps (07710 394 351) beforehand for catering purposes.

Two further dates have been added:

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September** at St. Mary's church, Fratton Road

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October** St. Faith's church, Crasswell Street

## Pew available

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John Diani has one St. Simon's pew available. It is 9 feet long and has only one end piece. Please contact John if you might be interested in this.

## St. Margaret's Community Church

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St. Margaret's Community Church in Highland Road is launching its new services at 4.00 pm on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October** - Informal family worship, followed by coffee and chat.

## **Further LYCiG follow-up events**

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Two events coming up:

### **Whole-Life Discipleship and the Local Church**

Friday 6th October 2017 7pm-9:30pm

### **Whole-Life Discipleship and Work**

Saturday 7th October 2017 9:30am-2pm

These are free events and will be held at St. Jude's Church. Booking is required. Further details were in the 13<sup>th</sup> August Newsletter and are available from St. Simon's church office.

## **In memory of Wayne Palmer**

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One or two people have asked about making small gifts in memory of Wayne. We agreed with his family that the church would gather any such gifts and distribute them to Christian fellowships he attended, so if anyone would like to make a gift please pass it to the office in an envelope marked "in memory of Wayne". The Pastoral Team will decide on where it should be given.

## **Alzheimer's Society BBQ**

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Our recent BBQ at Gail's raised £225.00. Many thanks to all those who attended or donated.

## **Fusion Café - Age change**

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The age range for Fusion Café is now 10 to 14-year-olds (school years 6-9).

## **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.

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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 10<sup>th</sup> September

10.30 am Morning Praise  
3.00 pm Deanery Confirmation  
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September

10.30 am Holy Communion  
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September

10.30 am Morning Praise  
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October

9.00 am Shipmates Service  
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](http://www.stsimons-southsea.org.uk)



### Useful Contacts:

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