



St. Simon's Church Newsletter

Sunday 1st April 2018

Annual Meetings and Lunch

The annual church meetings will be held at **noon** on **Sunday 22nd April**.

There will be a break following the morning service when a free finger buffet lunch will be provided before the business of the meetings starts at 12.00. The lunch will include a vegetarian selection and everything will be nut free.

The meetings will include the election of two churchwardens and three lay members of the PCC. Nomination forms are available on the [church website](#), on the Welcome Table and from the church office. Agendas and the minutes of last year's meetings are also available on the [church website](#).

The [2017 Annual Report and Accounts](#) are available on the website. A printed copy is also available on the Welcome Table.

Revision of the Electoral Roll

The annual revision is now completed and a copy of the revised roll is available on the Church Administration noticeboard in the Church Centre until **Monday 9th April**. Please notify any errors or omissions to the church office.

Showing of the film “Risen”

There will be a showing of the film “Risen” in the Church Centre on **Wednesday 4th April**. Doors open at 6.45 pm with the film starting at 7.00 pm. There will be a half-time break for coffee. This event is free. [Risen](#) tells the story of the search for Jesus’ body from the point of view of the Roman soldier charged with finding it. The classification is 12A. Please let us know if you plan to come – Phil Gower, Hilary Poley, Mick Walters.

Work Morning

A Work Morning will be held on **Saturday 7th April** to provide an opportunity to help maintain the church building. There is a list of small DIY tasks, cleaning and other activities that need to be carried out. Please contact Louise Roulston-Thomas for details or just turn up on the day from 09.30 am.

Ladies’ Breakfast, 7th April

This event has been cancelled.

Men’s trip to Brooklands Museum

There will be a men’s trip to Brooklands Museum on **Saturday 14th April**. The minibus will leave the car park at 09.30 am. Entry to the museum is: Adult £15, Senior (60+)/Student £12.65, Children (5-16) £7.70. Cost of the minibus is a donation of your choice. Please contact Cliff Gollidge for further details and to book a seat.

Tuesday Bible Alive – future dates

17th April Journey of a lifetime (2): Part 3 – Keep on Keeping On
All meetings are at 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge.

Grub Club at Restaurant 69

This is on **Friday 20th April**. See <http://no69.co.uk/>. Please contact Dinah Walters to book a place.

Film Night - "The Shack"

A showing of *The Shack* will be in the church on **Saturday 12th May**. Please contact Cliff Golledge for details.

Christian Aid Week 2018

Christian Aid Week is 13th – 19th May this year.



Whole Church Day Away 2018

A Day Away for the whole church is being planned for **Saturday 9th June**. This will be at St. John's, Shedfield, which we have used for similar events in the past. Please put the date in your diaries. Further details will follow.

Appointment of a new priest in charge

The process to appoint a new priest in charge is underway. We plan to advertise in June with interviews to be held on Monday 16th July. This timing will tie in well with people coming to the end of a three- or four-year curate's post. It is hoped that we will have somebody in post before Christmas. The vicarage has been let in the interim. If you have any questions about the timing or the process, please contact either of the churchwardens.

Job Vacancy - Administrator

Aggie Weston's (previously, The Royal Sailors' Rest) is advertising for an Office and Finance Administrator, 12-16 hours per week. The closing date is 13th April. Details are available on the website - <http://www.aggies.org.uk/vacancies/>

Regular Events

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

Temples for 10-18 year-olds (Mondays 7.00-8.30 pm)

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

Play and Praise (Tuesdays 1 - 2.30 pm for over 2s, term time only)

Shipmates Cafe (Tuesdays 3.30 - 3.30 pm for under 10s, term time only)

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

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

Fusion Café (youth club for 10-14s) (Fridays 4.00-5.30 pm, term time)

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)

Home Groups. There are several mid-week Home Groups, to which church members are encouraged to belong. There is a list of the groups on the website and on the notice board in the lower hall. More information is available from Michael Piper, the Home Group Co-ordinator, or from the church office.

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 1st April

6.30 am Sunrise Service
9.30 am Shipmates
10.45 am Holy Communion
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

Sunday 15th April

10.30 am Holy Communion
6.00 pm Sunday Supper

Sunday 8th April

10.30 am Morning Praise
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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