

change the vote, if necessary, on the day. Julie thanked Mary for presenting the resolution.

There followed a quiz on all things to do with rivers.

The next meeting will be on **Friday June 9th** when Kay Hygate will be helping us to make crowns. Please bring, scissors, a pencil, and a ruler.

Prospective new members are welcome to come to one of our monthly meetings and can use the contact form on the website <https://castlegreenwi.org.uk>

Margaret Alcock

Finishing with a Smile ...

... The nice thing about living in a small town is that when you don't know what you're doing, somebody else always does!

... A local DJ was introducing a record at our annual parish party. "This next one," he said, "is for Charlotte, a choir member, who is a hundred and eleven! Hey, Charlotte, congratulations on a ripe old age!"

There was a short pause and then the DJ said in a somewhat more subdued voice, "I'm sorry, I got it wrong. This next one is for Charlotte, who is ill."



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ITEMS FOR THE JULY / AUGUST NEWSLETTER

If you have any items for the **combined July / August edition** of the magazine, please forward to Beth Lewsey, by: **24th June** by email if possible, to: parishmagazine@saltwoodchurch.org or deliver to 20 Castle Avenue. (Tel 01303 264577)



Castle Green W I

Our president Julie Andrews welcomed forty-one members to the May meeting. Valerie Humphries was thanked for the flower arrangement for the President's table: tea hostesses Julie Clark and Evelyn Frith were also thanked.

Apologies for absence were accepted and the record of the last meeting was approved and signed.

East Kent Federation had sent a flyer from a television production company who are looking for Hobbyists for a new programme with Jay Blades.

Subgroups. The **Book Group, Knit and Natter Group, Patchwork Group** and **Walking Group** held meetings in May. **Lunch Club** – next meeting will be on Thursday 22nd June at the Lord Whisky Tea Rooms. More details are on the website.

On **July 27th** there will be an outing to Walmer Castle and Gardens with a Cream Tea. More information is on the website.

Volunteers are needed to make the flower arrangement each month and for coffee hostesses.

Next on the agenda was a coffee break when we were served with tea or coffee and a warm croissant with butter and jam. As usual there was plenty of chatting as well.

Mary Hunter then took us through the resolution for this year's NFWI Annual Meeting which will be held in Cardiff on May 25th, Clean Rivers for People and Wildlife. There were many interesting facts and figures for us to think about and members unanimously voted in favour of the resolution. As is usual members gave our delegate discretion to

Guided Walks Around Old Hythe

Every Thursday, June to September

Discover the secrets of this ancient Cinque Port and soak up the atmosphere amongst its historic architecture. See the Royal Military Canal, built to keep Napoleon at bay. Visit St Leonard's Church (free tour included) and wonder at the bones in the famous ossuary/crypt. Tours of the church (without a walk) start at midday.

Meet at Hythe Town Hall, High Street CT21 5AJ
at 10:30am - no need to book.
Walk £3 per person (Ossuary £3 extra).

Allow 1½ hours for walk
plus 45 minutes for church/ossuary



A Letter from the Rector

The bunting is gone, and the excitement subsided. What great joy we all experienced through the many events of last month to celebrate the King's Coronation. What now? Do we go back to the humdrum of our busy lives unaffected? Do the decisions we make daily still rest on what we hear in the media or in the workplace. Do you simply go with the flow?

I can't help but reflect on the traditions of the past and question the meaning and the beliefs of those who went before. Much of what I saw in the coronation service still sits well with many today, but for too many it made no sense. Why was the King hidden behind a screen for example? I heard one person on TV ask, "Why was the King hidden, we have a right to see!" Clearly it isn't only understanding that we struggle with but an attitude and level of respect toward others or the positions they occupy. It is a sign of a lack of Christian teaching. This is nothing to do with church or belief. It is about the values we find in the Bible that have shaped our society and much of the world. Despite the media reporting that we are no longer a Christian country, the entire basis of our culture and tradition is Bible based. Even for those who do not believe it cannot be denied. I call into question the morals and motives of anyone who tries to undermine the foundation of our society.

People are generally very fickle. And so, it is vital that the Christian voice is heard loud and clear and not eclipsed by the din of the noisy minority with that questionable motivation. In the mid-sixties, in the southern states of America, over 75% of white people believed in the segregation of black people in public. Within less than two years this statistic turned completely the other way round. Challenge all thinking and motives, and good will overcome evil. Most people are uninformed or ill-informed. Teaching the truth of the Gospels, the values of Christianity, is the

mission of God as taught by Jesus. You don't have to believe in God to accept that fact.

Things are not perfect; they never have been. Humans have always abused the position of power and authority. We move ever forward, not always in the right direction and often motivated by the wrong ideals and values. This is why it is so important to teach biblical values and to understand the basis of our society. Then it begins to make sense and better decisions are made for the greater number of people.

Blessings,

Rev Barry

**Diary –
St Peter and St Paul**



June
2023



Thursday 1st	19.00	Choir Practice – and each following Thursday
Sunday 4th <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	08.00	Holy Communion BCP
	09.40	Prayer Meeting in the Lady Chapel
	10.00	Holy Communion & Sunday Club in the Lads' Club
Monday 5th	14.00	Monday Chats in the Lads' Club
Tuesday 6th	19.30	PCC Meeting
Wednesday 7th	10.00 – 11.30	Saltwood Toddlers in the Lads' Club – and each following Wednesday
	19.00	ALPHA in the Lads' Club – and each following Wednesday

ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYMPNE

COFFEE MORNING



SATURDAY 17 JUNE 2023

10.30am - 12.30pm

➤ *Come and join us for coffee, cakes and savoury bakes. If the sun is shining, sit out and enjoy. Well-behaved dogs welcome.*

Proceeds to maintenance of the church plus a donation to this month's nominated charity:

Hythe Dementia Awareness Forum

CHURCH SUMMER OPENING

The church is now open during the day throughout the Summer.

CHAIRS TO REPLACE THE BENCHES (PEWS)

Following the consultation process regarding the proposal to replace the tired old benches (*not called pews as they are not fixed to the floor*) with chairs, the overwhelming preference of sample chairs which have been on display for the past month was the **ICS Eton Light**. The next step is to obtain a faculty (church planning permission) and a fundraising campaign is being developed. Further information will follow.

LYMPNE FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Once again we welcomed Chris and Nic from Ashford Sings, who encouraged all of us to find our singing voices. After warming up and sorting out whether our voices were up in the clouds or well and truly earthbound at a lower level, we spent a (reasonably!) tuneful hour, as Chris put us through our paces, learning, practising and recording a hearty rendition of 'The Long and Winding Road'. Eat your heart out Eurovision! Our efforts were then rewarded with some delicious refreshments. As always, we thoroughly enjoyed a lively time together catching up with our friends. Next month we shall be meeting to share our annual lunch out.

Lympne Fellowship normally meets at 1.15pm in the Harry Margary Hall on the 2nd Thursday of the month, with a programme of interesting and informative talks and activities.

For further information about our group, please contact **Jill Page** on **01303 263756**.



Thursday 8th	18.30	Deanery Confirmation Service at Saltwood
Sunday 11th	09.00	Holy Communion BCP at Pedlinge
<i>Trinity 1</i>	09.40	Prayer Meeting in the Lady Chapel
	10.00.	Holy Communion
Wednesday 14th	14.00	Cinema Club in the Lads' Club
Saturday 17th	10.30	Coffee Morning at Lympne Church
	15.45	Messy Church at the Lads' Club
Sunday 18th	08.00	Holy Communion BCP
<i>Trinity 2</i>	09.40	Prayer Meeting in the Lady Chapel
	10.00.	Holy Communion & Sunday Club in the Lads' Club
Saturday 24th	N.B.	Last day for items for the July / August magazine
Sunday 28th	08.00	Holy Communion BCP
<i>Trinity 3</i>	09.40	Prayer Meeting in the Lady Chapel
	10.00	Hooba Family Service
	14.00	OPEN GARDENS and Flower Show
Thursday 29th		Feast Day of Peter and Paul, Apostles



I think that God's works are so beautiful that I am amazed that people can admire them but deny that they have a Maker.

– Commissioner Catherine Bramwell-Booth

A Prayer for the Month of June
(5th June is World Environment Day)

Eternal God,
 whose Spirit moved over the face of
 the deep bringing forth light and life;
 by that same Spirit, renew your
 creation, and restore your image in
 your people.

Turn us from careless tenants to
 faithful stewards,
 that your threefold blessing of clean
 air, pure water and rich earth

may be the inheritance of everything that has the breath of life
 and one generation may proclaim to another the wonder of your works;
 through Jesus Christ, your living Word,
 in whom the fullness of your glory is revealed.
 Amen.

*(Rt Revd Libby Lane
 Bishop of Derby)*



From The Parish Records

We welcome into the family of the
 Church:

Micah Hatfield and **Natalie Richards**,
 whose baptisms were on 21st May



Congratulations to:

Lucinda Hurley and Thomas Quested who were married on 27th
 May

**ST. STEPHEN'S
 CHURCH, LYMPNE**



**SERVICES AND EVENTS IN
 JUNE**

3rd	Wedding: Rachel and Oliver	14.00
4th	Parish Communion	11.00
11th	Hooba Family Service, led by Sunday Club Baptism	11.00 13.30
17th	Coffee Morning	10.30
18th	Morning Worship	11.00
22th	Parish Communion	14.00
30th	Wedding: Melanie and Shaun	12.00

SUNDAY CLUB

Meets at **The Lads' Club, Rectory Lane, Saltwood, CT21 4QA,**
10-11am during term time.

We have a wonderful time with all sorts of art & crafts and cooking,
 games and lots of drama. Fun groups for children aged 3-10 years. New
 faces are always very welcome.

For more information ring: Christine Clover on 0300 0301662,
 text: 07379 877846 or email:
christineclover@lympneandsaltwoodchurches.uk.

Trinity Sunday

The eagle-eyed among you may have noticed that the calendar on page 4 refers to Sunday 4th June as 'Trinity Sunday'. This is always the Sunday following Pentecost (or Whitsunday as some of you may still call it) and reminds us that the doctrine of the Trinity is one of the most important of the Christian faith, for it goes to the very heart of what God is like. The Bible is quite clear: there is one God, but He is revealed in three 'persons' – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The Bible reveals a pattern: God the Father lives in heaven and has never been seen. God the Son became the incarnate Jesus Christ, who made known to us the Father, and God the Holy Spirit, who is unseen, has been sent to live within and to equip His people, the Church.

The Trinity is basic to our salvation – for these three persons in the one Godhead have combined to save us from our sins: it is the WILL of the Father, the saving WORK of the Son, and the indwelling WITNESS of the Holy Spirit. (John 14:16, 23-26).



INTERCESSIONS FOR JUNE ...



Today we pray especially for.....

- 1 Those who live in Castle Road, Kiln Corner, The Close and Castle Crescent
- 2 Businesses in our parish
- 3 The Barnabas Trust
- 4 Those struggling with addiction, thinking particularly of those known to you
- 5 St Mary & St Ethelburga Lyminge, St Mary Postling and All Saints Stanford
- 6 Those who live in Cylinder Road and Freshfield Lane
- 7 Christian communities facing persecution
- 8 Our ministry team
- 9 Village community groups
- 10 Our own discipleship as a community of faith
- 11 Those who live in Fairlight Road and Harpswood Lane
- 12 Carol Cooke and John Campbell, our Churchwardens, and the members of the PCC
- 13 Our local hospitals and Tricia Hill who leads the Canterbury hospital chaplaincy team
- 14 The King and the Royal Family
- 15 Those with physical and mental health needs and those who care for them, thinking particularly of those known to you
- 16 Our prayer groups
- 17 Those who live in New Road and The Coppice
- 18 Messy Church
- 19 Deanery Synod, its committees and officers
- 20 St Mary & St Eanswythe Folkestone, and St Peter Folkestone
- 21 Those who live in Tanners Hill, Tanners Hill Gardens and Deedes Close
- 22 Barry, our Rector
- 23 The bereaved and those who care for them, thinking particularly of those known to you
- 24 Esubi – Ugandan Orphans

- 25 Saltwood Primary School – Paul Newton, his staff and pupils
- 26 Those who live on The Green, Old Saltwood Lane and Conway Close
- 27 St Luke Hawkinge and St Martin Acrise
- 28 Rose, Bishop of Dover and Darren, Archdeacon of Ashford
- 29 Mission Aviation Fellowship
- 30 Our Toddler groups

PRAYER MEETINGS



Sundays at 9 40 am in Saltwood Church
Fridays at 9 30 am in Saltwood Church

Please note the following **for June:**

The Afternoon Prayer Group meets on Wednesday 7th June at 2 30pm at 34 Harpswood Lane.

The evening Prayer Group is not meeting until the Alpha Course has finished.

We are getting a Rota together for people who would like to pray for others following Sunday Services. One team is already doing a Course on Prayer at the Living Well in preparation for this important task. There is another Course of five sessions commencing in either September or October. These courses are usually about 1.30pm to 3.30pm. If this is something you would be interested in, please have a word with Carol or John.



MONDAY CHATS

We are hoping to take a party of us from Monday Chats to the Clifton Hotel for afternoon tea on Monday 3 July at a cost of £12.95 per person. You would be very welcome to join us. Give Carol a ring on 07795 100 441 if you would like to come.

which included: Charlie's ears, Camilla cup-cakes and Balmoral Bakewell tart!

Well lubricated, various party pieces were provided by Roger Martin, Sue Lewis and Joan Hawkins who gave an exceptional rendition of "Albert and the Lion" plus northern accent.

Sing Song followed with 'Redcoat Barry' leading the chorus and the talented Richard Baulch twinkling the ivory keys.

It must have been good as everyone was reluctant to go home!



Save the Date!!



Saturday 9th September – RIDE & STRIDE event – watch out for further details next month – but do put the date in your diary now!

Saltwood's Sparkling Coronation Tea



Two important events occurred on the 6th and 7th of June.

The first was the Coronation of King Charles III on the Saturday then the fantastic Sparkling Celebration Tea at the Lads' Club on 7th June. It was a well attended village event with cardboard crowns and a sea of red, white and blue. Everyone was in a post Coronation mood and the sparkling wine kept flowing.

The food was exemplary and the choice was calorie-loaded. As usual, Sue Beggs, Penny Marsh and their team were at the heart of this wonderful spread. People were overwhelmed with the choice of food



Saltwood Cinema Club

on Wednesday 14th June

at 2pm in the Lads' Club

'The Lost King'

In 2012, after having been lost for over 500 years, the remains of King Richard III were discovered beneath a carpark in Leicester. The search had been orchestrated by an amateur historian, Philippa Langley, whose unrelenting research had been met with incomprehension by her friends and family and with skepticism by experts and academics. The Lost King is the life-affirming true story of a woman who refused to be ignored and who took on the country's most eminent historians, forcing them to think again about one of the most controversial kings in England's history. The film stars Sally Hawkins as Philippa and Steve Coogan who was also a co-writer of the film.

Cost £5 per person to include tea and cake

All proceeds to the Lads' Club Funds



**Donations still
welcome!**

Sadly, the Christian Aid Coffee Morning was not well attended this year. Well, it was a beautiful sunny day! However, there is still time to donate. Carol is always pleased to separate you from your money - well for a good cause that is, and there is a desperate need throughout the world for food and assistance to live. You can hand your donation to her, to John Campbell or to Laurie Maxfield.

St Peter & St Paul Saltwood

OPEN GARDENS & FLOWER FESTIVAL

Rectory Lane Saltwood

25th June

2.00pm to 6.00pm



A special opening of the gardens of Saltwood House & Benover

Floral Displays in Saltwood Church
Bell Tower will be open
PLUS Crafts & Cream Teas

In Aid of the Church Organ Restoration Fund

(Parking available in the Glebe Field)

VISIT THE BELL TOWER

As part of the Open Gardens event on 25th June, the Bell Tower at Saltwood Church will also be open to visitors, between 2pm and 4pm.

Do you know the difference between ringing and chiming? Here is the ideal opportunity for those if you who are aspiring campanologists to discover the answer! Bells need to be 'up' for ringing, but on this occasion they will remain 'down,' so there will be the chance to climb into the bell chamber, and also to chime a bell.

Our resident ringers will be there to greet you and literally 'show you the ropes'.

This month's cartoon happens to be very appropriate, but please do not take it seriously!!

