

St Denys Church

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

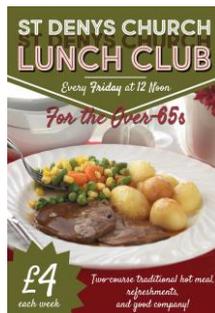
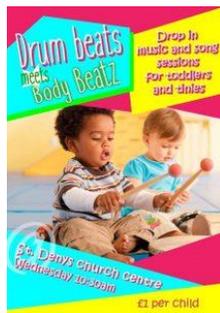
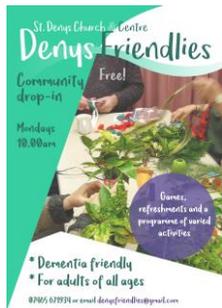
August 2018

- 6 **Denys Friendlies** Festival from 10am
- 8 **Prayer Together** continues throughout the summer
- 8 **DRUMBEATS** Picnic in Riverside Park 10.30am
- 8 **ALPHA** course at **St Denys** in the CHURCH
- 10 **Lunch Club** from noon in the Meeting Room. Chef Vikki

There will be no 9.30am Service until Sept 9th

Looking ahead

- 16 Hartbeeps Baby Rock Café in the Main Hall
- 18 “Unicorns and dinosaurs” Craft fair in the Main Hall



Sunday 5th August Trinity 10
11.00am Family Communion Service
“Gifts To All People”
Ephesians 4: 14 - 16

NEXT WEEK:

Wednesday 8th August

Prayer Together 9.00am in the Quiet Room
A gentle time of prayer for the world, our community and ourselves

ALPHA

In the church building 7 - 9pm

Sunday 12th August Trinity 11
11.00am Family Communion Service
“Imitators of God”
Ephesians 4: 25 - 5:2

No 9.30 communion services now until 9th September

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Our verse for 2018:

*‘Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.’
(Isaiah 40: 31)*



PRAYER TOGETHER



Prayer is at the heart of who we are at St Denys.

There are hosted prayer sessions each week, as follows:

Wednesday morning at 9.00am for half an hour

There is a Prayer Book in the Church, in which we invite anyone to write prayers of 'Thanks' and prayers for 'Help'. We use these notes for the intercession each Wednesday morning.

Please pray this week for:

- Priory Road including Griffin Court
- Dave & Denise Tombs and family
- The social and meeting places in our parish – the pubs the South Western Arms; the Dolphin and The Junction
- Namulesa Church in Uganda – lay reader Patrick Mugundo
- Sam and Cat are involved in leading Sizewell Christian Youth Holiday this week for 16-21 year olds. Sam is part of the team of musicians leading worship and Cat is responsible for the pastoral and spiritual well-being a small group of young people. Pray for wisdom, stamina, safety and good connections as they both leave their comfort zones.

Prayer Diary update

The Prayer Diary brings together all the people, places and situations that make up our ministry network, listed for Prayer (see above).

The booklet is currently undergoing revision.

Each week, there will be five categories to prayer for:

- Members of our church community
You may wish to speak to them personally, or just hold them in your prayers
- Streets in our parish
You may wish to visit the street, or pray for things going on there

- Our church ministry
These are the branches of our mission
- The wider community we serve
Groups that use our Church, the Centre and our resources
- Our mission partners
The charities we support and those with whom we share our vision



Ministry & Mission Snapshot

This week, Sera reflects on the Madding Crowd

"Sunday afternoon was an afternoon of conversation and creativity at the church. Young and old gathered around the Messy Church tables decorating recycled wood with mirror and mosaic tiles, to form a cross that they could take with them into everyday life. Then an eclectic mix of musicians and singers filled the church with beautiful music from the 17th & 18th century, leading the congregation in Evensong. It was a time of fellowship, discovery, beauty... and cake! ."

Could you be our next independent examiner?

As we at St Denys have a gross income of more than £25,000 charity law requires us to have some form of external scrutiny of our accounts. This can be carried out by anyone who is 'independent' – broadly not a PCC member or involved in the accounts preparation. An independent examiner is a limited form of scrutiny compared to an audit and, as the accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis, the examiner doesn't need to have accountancy training or qualifications. They simply need to have financial awareness and numeracy skills. There is guidance and a checklist to make the annual process straightforward and I will be very happy to guide throughout.

Please see Paula if you can help.