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IN FARNHAM

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Dear Church Leaders, CTF Representatives, Associates and other Friends

I am writing to you this month on behalf of Andrew, who will soon be back from his very well deserved long break touring in Scotland.

This E-News is going out earlier than usual because we have been asked to notify our members of the General Election Hustings at Farnham Maltings on Friday evening (2nd June). Free tickets for this event are obtainable from Farnham Maltings (see details below).

The newsletter also comes in time to remind you that All Saints Church, Tilford, will be celebrating its 150th Birthday this weekend (3rd and 4th June) with a festival of floral colour and scent (see details below). Everyone is warmly invited to attend this free event.

All good wishes

Mary Clarke - CTF Steering Committee

NOTICES

YOUR CHANCE TO QUESTION THE ELECTION CANDIDATES – Farnham Maltings is holding a General Election Hustings at 7pm on Friday 2 June. All the parliamentary candidates for the South West Surrey Constituency will be represented: David Black (Labour); Jeremy Hunt (Conservative), Dr Louise Irvine (National Health Action), Ollie Purkiss (Liberal Democrat) and Mark Webber (UKIP). This is a free event for which tickets are required. These are available from the Farnham Maltings Box Office (01252 745444) and farnhammaltings.com. If you are attending and wish to submit a question, please contact christine.lee@farnhammaltings.com or present it to the Box Office by 4pm on the day of the hustings. Please include your name and seat number for the event.

TILFORD ALL SAINTS FLOWER FESTIVAL IS THIS WEEKEND - The Church will be filled with colour and fragrance to celebrate its Sesquicentennial (150th anniversary). The Festival will be open to visitors from 10am till 4pm on Saturday 3 and on Sunday 4 June (following 10am Sung Communion) free of charge – donations invited in aid of church funds. Village and church groups and also individuals will be contributing floral exhibits to bedeck the church for this very special occasion. Tea and cake will be available. Everyone from near and far is invited - Come and enjoy!

The Flower Festival is one of a sequence of events this year to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the consecration of All Saints Church on 10th July 1867. Pick up a leaflet at All Saints or St Thomas' Churches or go to the CTF website for full details.

SUCCESS OF PICTURE RAFFLE FOR CHRISTIAN AID - Mavis Golding has good news regarding St Thomas' Lenten Picture Raffle for Christian Aid. She writes: 'The painting by local artist Sue Williams was won by Linda Bone from Rowledge. The raffle raised £955 – a great result! A big thank you to all the Churches and venues who sold raffle tickets.'

FARNHAM ASSIST NEEDS A LUNCH CO-ORDINATOR - Here are the details: "Farnham Assist has a staff vacancy for a Lunch Co-ordinator working 34 hours per month at £10.50 per hour, flexible working hours, but you must be physically fit and available 1 Saturday and 1 Sunday per month. Full training will be given, but we are looking for a good organiser. Farnham Assist is a Christian organisation that supports older people living in the local community. As lunch co-ordinator you would be overseeing the volunteer team including cooks and drivers to organise our regular lunches for up to 80 older people - please contact june.trantom@farnham-assist.org.uk or telephone 01252 717710 for more details if you are interested in this position."

DIARY Some special events in the next few weeks. Go to the CTF website via link below for more details of these and other church events, including posters to download for your noticeboard.

Friday 2 June – 7pm – Farnham Maltings – General Election Hustings – (see details under **NOTICES** above).

Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 June – 10am till 4pm - All Saints Church, Tilford - Flower Festival to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the consecration of the Parish Church. Pentecost Choral Communion Service at 10am on Sunday.

Saturday 3 June – 6pm – St Thomas-on-The Bourne Church – Summer Concert - Andrew Harrap (St Thomas' Organ Scholar) will play piano works by Bach, Fauré and Debussy; and a Quartet from the Girls' Choir will perform a variety of sacred and secular songs by Fauré, Mendelssohn, Sullivan, Elgar, Novello and others. Free entry, with retiring collection for church and choir funds. Light refreshments will be provided afterwards.

PENTECOST Sunday 4 June. Pilgrimage to Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Guildford. Full details from Guildford Cathedral website.

Sunday 4 June - 3pm – St John's Church, Hale – Pentecost Party – Art, music and refreshments.

Friday 9 June – St Peter's Church, Wrecclesham – The Chameleon on Arts Wind Quintet will present a Workshop at 2.30pm followed by a concert at 6pm. Music on the theme of 'Children and Other Animals' with participants from the afternoon Children's Workshop. Tickets £10 on the door or email ellisonsylvia98@yahoo.co.uk. There will be a retiring collection for Laura Sylvester's medical fund.

Saturday & Sunday 10 and 11 June – Alton Abbey - Open Days. The Anglican Monastery of Our Lady and St John in Beech will be open for visitors from 12 noon till 5pm on both days. Entrance £3 - teas £3. There will be beautiful plants for sale, with the grower there to give information. Also for sale: Fine stationary, second-hand books, Hadeel Products from Palestine. There will be Lace-making, and a display of work. Organ Recitals both days at 3pm by Duncan Bradley OSB Obl. Director of Music at St Mary's Church Southampton. 'If you have never discovered the beauty and peacefulness of the Abbey come this time; if you have been before, come back to rediscover the joy.' Find details and poster on the CTF website.

Saturday 10 June – 7.30pm - St Andrew's Church – Tilford Bach Society Poetry, Prose, and Music Evening with Graham Fawcett, Elizabeth Cooney and Grace Mo. Readings from the work of famous writers with local connections, including Jane Austen, Tennyson, William Cobbett, Keats, Edward Thomas and Gilbert White and violin and piano pieces by Elgar, Mozart, Vaughan Williams and others plus Persian folk music and Celtic airs. Book on TBS website www.tilbach.org.uk £9, or £12 at the door.

Saturday 10 June – 7.30pm - St Martin's by the Green, Lower Bourne – Diamond Jubilee Concert with the Anemos Wind Ensemble supported by Andrew Harrap on Piano. Refreshments. Retiring collection for Christian Aid. Contact Brian White on 710039 for more details.

Sunday 11th June - 10:30a.m - St Martin by the Green, Lower Bourne - Diamond Jubilee celebration of Holy Communion by the Rt Revd Christopher Herbert with the consecration of the new nave altar. Refreshments after the service.

Sunday 11 June – starting at Waverley Abbey School, Tilford – Walk for the Wards – annual sponsored walks of 5 and 10 miles in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. Cream tea at the finish. Enter on line at www.pth.org.uk or pick up an entry form.

Tuesday 13 June - Tuesday – 1.10pm - St Andrew's Church - Music While You Munch Organ recital by Gerald Marlow - enjoy listening to the music while eating your lunch. There is no charge for these concerts. Home-made soup with rolls are normally on offer, in addition to tea or coffee. Donations to a fund for development of music activities at St Andrews welcome.

Thursday 15 June - 3pm - Farnham Methodist Church - Farnham ASSIST Silver Service for Over Sixties - followed by home-made cakes and tea. Contact Farnham ASSIST for help with transport.

Friday 16 June - 12.30pm - St Thomas-on-The Bourne Church - Eat and Speak Lunch with Val Barton on 'Astonishing Birds' - contact Yvonne Bryant on 713671 or the Parish Office for Tickets.

Friday 16 June – 7:30pm – St Joan of Arc Church, Farnham – Concert by the Rowledge Community Choir presenting a programme of sacred music. Entry free with retiring collect for church funds. Drinks and light refreshments served in the interval.

Saturday 17 June – 12.30pm – St Andrew's Church, Farnham – Tilford Bach Festival – Adrian Butterfield (violin) & Rachel Brown (flute); admission £10 on the door.

Saturday 17 June – 7.30pm – St Andrew's Church, Farnham – Tilford Bach Festival Telemann Celebration Concert – Rowan Pierce (soprano) & London Handel Players – admission £17.50 in advance at www.tilbach.org.uk or £20 on the door.

Sunday 18 June – 7pm - All Saints Church, Tilford – Tilford Bach Festival – J S Bach – John Passion – soloists with London Handel Orchestra, conductor Adrian Butterfield. Contact www.tilbach.org.uk for ticket details (£20 to £35).

Tuesday 20 June – 11am – St Joan's Centre – Tilford Road – Churches Together Ecumenical Prayer Meeting – refreshments, followed by meditative readings, prayers and intercessions. All welcome, just come along.

Tuesday 20 till Saturday 24 June – Wintershall Estate, Bramley – 'Life of Christ' performances – an unforgettable experience – book tickets on Wintershall website.

Wednesday 21 June – 10am - St Andrew's Church - Bach to Baby – 10am Coffee; 10.30am Concert – ticket £10 adult with children.

[More about these and other activities on the CTF website at http://www.churchestogether.org/farnham/ where you will also find links to our member churches' and associates' individual websites, with details of services and other activities.](http://www.churchestogether.org/farnham/)