

Trinity Update

July 2009



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH ALDERSHOT
'A Church for Everyone'

JULY DIARY 2009

1	11.15am 7.45pm 8.00pm	Holy Communion, followed by tea & biscuits (Weds) Freedom in Christ at 2 Cranmore Lane * (Wednesdays) Fellowship Groups * (Wednesdays)
2	8.30am 10-11.30am 2.30pm 7.30pm 7.45pm	Prayer for Renewal (Thursdays) Contact - for parents & toddlers * (Thursdays in term) Women's Hour * (Thursdays) TCPT training at Garrison Church Fellowship Groups * (Thursdays)
3	1.15 for 1.30pm 6-7.30pm 7.00pm	Parents & Babies/Toddlers Home Group * (Fridays in term) Friendzy (ages 8 and up) * (Fridays in term) Soul Sisters Wine & Skittles, Jolly Miller
5	SUNDAY 10.30am 9.30am 11.15am 7-9pm	John Kellagher ordination, Guildford Cathedral Morning Praise Alternative Service Inclusion (formerly @7) for 14 to 18s (also 19th)
6	7.30pm	PRAISE, PRAYER AND PROPHECY in Crossover
7	11am & 8pm 7.45 to 9.30pm	Fellowship Groups * (Tuesdays) New Life Fitness for ages 20-40 (£3 per head) * (Tuesdays)
11	8.00am 10am	'Make A Difference Day' (Community Action) Men's breakfast at St Peter's Farnborough (see page7) Prayer Ministry Team meeting, Crossover
12	SUNDAY 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm	Holy Communion Alternative Service with prayer for healing HT Summer Sponsored Fun Run – see page 3
13	7.30pm	ALDERSHOT CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER at Park Evangelical Church G4G Teen Girls Fellowship Group (venue varies) J-Ladz
18	7.30-9pm 7.30-9pm 8.30am 10am 7.30 pm	Ladies Prayer Breakfast, 10 Wentworth Crescent, Ash Vale Praying Wives at HT Summer Soirée at 29 Northbrook Rd (see page 9)
19	CMJ SUPPORT SUNDAY 9.30am 11.15am	Morning Praise Alternative Service with Holy Communion The Big Lunch (see page 10)
25	11.30am	Wedding of Barry and Claire
26	SUNDAY 9.30am 11.15am from 1.00pm	Holy Communion Alternative Service Church picnic at Frimley Lodge Park
27	7.30 pm	PCC meeting, Crossover Note change of date
27th - 31st		Young people away at Viney Hill
31	8.00pm	TCPT Prayer meeting in Crossover

WOMEN'S HOUR

On May 28th Pat Claire finished her talk about her trip to Thailand and I understand it was very interesting, Jean and myself were sorry to miss the talk, but we were on holiday.

The following week we had a tea at 3pm in aid of the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice; we had various stalls and we were able to give £243.00 to the Hospice. We were all delighted with the amount raised and thank the many church members who supported us.

On June 11th we had a quiz and some music. I will have to make the quizzes harder, as our ladies are too good. I think the winners got 19 out of a possible 20 questions, so well done to that team.

On June 18th we had our very own Val Knight talking and demonstrating the various crafts that she does. What a talented lady! We were all amazed at the quality of the work she produces. Val is such a lovely person, she does many things within the church without any fuss and it's great to have her as a member of Women's Hour.

One of our members, Phil Entwistle, has been in hospital and we all wish her well. It has not been a good year for Phil and we look forward to her being back with us soon.

Jean and Daphne

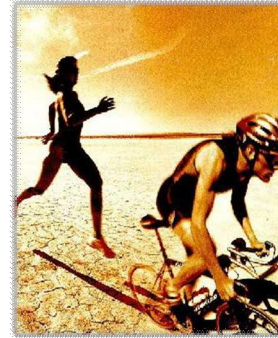
CONGRATULATIONS TO GEORGE !

**July 6th is the 10th anniversary of his ministry
as Vicar of HT**

[Update is now available on line at www.htca.org.uk](http://www.htca.org.uk)

**Thank you to everyone who contributed to this issue.
The August 2009 issue will be in Church on Sunday 26th July.
The LAST date for August articles will be Sunday 19th July.**

HT SUMMER FUN RUN



On Sunday July 12th we are holding a 'Summer sponsored Fun Run' with any monies raised going towards equipment for 'Friendly' and 'Inclusion' youth groups – we are also linking this with Change4life, the government campaign to encourage healthy living.

So whether you are a seasoned runner, or just fancy a challenge, or want to shape up a bit and dust off those trainers, this is definitely for you. The local route will allow you to do 3, 6 or 9 miles, we are also going to allow you to bike the route if you

prefer – quite where the fun comes in I don't know!

The HT Fun Run is open to anyone to take part in, so do be encouraging your friends and family outside of Holy Trinity Church. For more details see website or speak to Jonathan or Jamie Mahoney.

EXTRACT FROM '36 RULES OF LIFE'

Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognise a mistake when you make it again.

There's always one more imbecile than you counted on.

By the time you can make ends meet, they move the ends..

No man has ever been shot while doing the dishes.

Thanks to Paul Clark for these

SOUL SISTERS

Calling all skittles fans!!! Join us for an evening of fun with wine and skittles at 7.00 pm on Friday 3rd July at the Jolly Miller in North Warnborough. For a bargain price of £6.00 you can enjoy bowling, chatting and eating.



If you haven't already signed up, please see one of us (Sue, Heidi, Kris, Marian or Trisha). We need to confirm the numbers to the Jolly Miller by Monday 29th June if possible, so would ask you to pay the money by Sunday 28th June.

Our next event is a visit to the Canal Centre at Mytchett on Thursday 13th August. We plan to arrive there in time for coffee. There is a pleasant open space with a play area for children and plenty of picnic benches. A café serves hot and cold food at reasonable prices for those preferring a cooked lunch.

Trisha Haley and I recently enjoyed a walk through the adjacent woods and back along the canal. This took about 40 minutes and passes along the edge of Frimley Lodge Park, which also has a children's play area. Inside the Canal Centre there is a small display showing the history of the canal and a gift shop. Boat trips along the canal are available; the cost is either £4.00 for a 45-minute trip, or £11.00 for a 90-minute trip, which includes a cream tea. There needs to be a minimum of 25 for the cream tea boat ride and we would have to book this in advance. So, ladies, please extend an invitation to all your friends and relatives. Mums of young children may elect not to go on the boat, but to organise some activities in the lovely open space.

We hope there is something to encourage many of you to join us: having coffee and lunch by the water, taking a gentle stroll by the canal, enjoying a relaxing boat ride, spending time in the play area (children only!) or taking advantage of the open space to let off steam! Look out for leaflets in church in the next few weeks giving more details.



Finally, the next Ladies' Prayer Breakfast will be held at the home of Joan Davies, 10 Wentworth Crescent, on Saturday 18th July at 8.30am. All are welcome, but please let Joan know if you plan to go (328984).

on behalf of the Soul Sisters xx

Marion

LADIES' PRAYER BREAKFAST

The ladies' prayer breakfasts have been an important part of our ladies-only calendar for many years now at HT, and are open to all ladies aged 14 and over.

Firstly and most importantly, you do not need to be invited, you just come along (but if possible please let the hostess know beforehand that you plan to come). They offer the opportunity for us girls to meet together in the comfort and warmth of someone's home. We start at 8.30am and finish around 10am. Not only do we share breakfast together, but we pray, we support each other, and build friendships with one another.

I went along for the first time a couple of years ago and was made to feel so welcome. I was fearful of praying out aloud, and that was what had put me off from going. I soon realised that to be still and silent before God is just as important as speaking to Him.

We meet on the third Saturday of the month on a bi-monthly basis. The next date is Saturday 18th July 8.30am and the venue is the home of Joan (10 Wentworth Crescent, Email: joancdavies@hotmail.com).

Maybe you want to find out more, or you may like a lift; if so, please have a chat with me or with one of the hostesses.

See you there

Kris

Future dates (provisional):

Saturday 19th September; hostess Trisha
Saturday 21st November; hostess Marian

Other hostesses: Carol, Dawn, Christine

SAVE YOUR HOME: PRACTICAL TIPS TO HELP YOU AVOID REPOSSESSION

Leaflets available at the back of the Church or speak to George or Heidi for more information.

You may already be aware that here at Holy Trinity, since the recession hit, we have been putting together a team to give encouragement and support to those who are facing financial difficulties. We recognise that this could be for any of a number of reasons, including redundancy, reduced working hours, ill health, etc.



A few of us recently attended a workshop organised by a fantastic Christian organisation called Care for the Family.

Care for the Family have produced a really handy sized, instructive leaflet called "Save your home". This easy-to-read booklet is written in plain English and is full of practical tips and advice for home owners facing repossession.

Although it may not be something that is openly discussed, more and more families are finding it difficult to pay the mortgage and are worrying that one day soon their home will be repossessed.

This booklet is ideal to give out to **anyone** you know who is either in this situation or knows someone who is.

Heidi

Things children say:

MARC (age 4) was engrossed in a young couple who were hugging and kissing in a restaurant. Without taking his eyes off them, he asked his dad: 'Why is he whispering in her mouth?'

TAMMY (age 4) was with her mother when they met an elderly, rather wrinkled woman her Mum knew. Tammy looked at her for a while and then asked, 'Why doesn't your skin fit your face?'

Thanks to Joan for these

FLORRIE WHEELER

Extracts from a letter sent to George by Florrie's daughter

Dear George,

I am writing to thank you for the funeral service on Friday [29th May]. Everyone I spoke to felt it was an excellent celebration of Mum's life and a comfort.

The collection for Cancer Research raised £210 – a magnificent sum. I can't thank everyone individually, but perhaps you could pass on our thanks to the church members.

I was delighted to see how many people attended the service. It was comforting to know how well Mum was remembered.

Yours with best wishes

Eileen

'Don't All Religions Lead to God?'

This is the topic that ex-Hindu Vijay Menon will speak on after the next Men's breakfast at the Parish Centre at St Peter's Farnborough.

8am on Saturday 11th July 2009.

The event will conclude by about 10am after a Question & Answer session.

All men (believers or not-yet-believers) are invited to come and explore this current hot topic. This is, of course, an ideal opportunity to which men can invite their not-yet-Christian (male) friends.

Book soon to avoid disappointment

Tickets from Brian Jones: brian.jones4@ntlworld.com or tel: 01252 660279.

Full English breakfast £5, Continental breakfast £4.

CHIEF'S CONCERNS

'**Mind the Gap**', hey did you know that two of our young people are signed up for Christian Gap Years starting in September 09 – this is such exciting news for us as a church!!

Both Sarah and Tom have been accepted to do a one year Christian training programme. Sarah will be joining London City Mission and Tom will be joining Xplore which is Church Army's Global Gap Year scheme.

To find out more about their respective programmes and what they need to do as preparation, do catch up with both Sarah and Tom + look out for Sarah's article in this month's Update and watch out for any news or interviews from the front of church.

Other events involving young people this summer include Viney Hill Christian Adventure Holiday in the Forest of Dean; numbers are good with only a couple of places still up for grabs. As in previous years, if anyone is able to make us a cake to take it will be very much appreciated – they always get eaten!

Also, we are working on a programme for short term mission for our teenagers up in Manchester; this will be taking place in August when we will be joining the Seedley and Langworthy Trust (SALT for short) in Salford. The Christians there have formed a Fresh Expression of Church, reaching out predominately to the people on their door step, sharing meals and blessing the community in practical ways. Our youth from HT will be joined by other Christian young people in the surrounding area and will be aiming to make a difference to the local community.

Lastly, the young people will be heading down to Soul Survivor in mid August - if you are interested in supporting any of the above ventures in prayer or other ways please do talk to me or our resident Assistant Youth Pastor, Belinda.

Book, I read a great book when I was on holiday recently, not the book I intended to read, but God spoke. **Deep** is by Frog and Amy Orr-Ewing and I recommend it... here is a snippet.

Speaking on destiny - *'What is the ultimate end of human beings? Is it just 'today we live and tomorrow we die', or is there a life beyond the grave that means it is worth giving ourselves in the cause of others so that they might meet Jesus and be with him beyond the grave?'*

There is a life beyond this life, therefore I don't just live for my own material comfort; I live for the sake of Jesus and for the sake of others, because one day we will be with Him. Many of us in the church have lost that clear orientation.

History can be a useful corrective to the faddishness of a contemporary church blown this way and that by the newest theological techniques, which promise so much but deliver so little.'

Summer Soirée, Dave and Trish are kindly opening their garden for a summer soirée on Saturday 18th July. The evening will be a 'bring a share,' and I expect Dave will be blessing us again from his repertoire of great live music.

The evening is open for anyone to come, an easy opportunity to invite non-Christian friends and family - everyone likes food and drink in a friendly environment. For details speak to Dave and Trish.

Jonathan

Dave and Trisha invite you to a

Summer Soirée

At 29 Northbrook Road

Saturday 18th July from 7.30pm

Bring and Share food

All welcome

GEORGE WRITES

Dear Friends: It was, I think, on July 6th 1999 that I was licensed to Holy Trinity, having served for six years in Blackpool previously. That means that I have been with you for ten years this month. For me it has been a privilege and pleasure serving with you and I can look back with thanksgiving on many things over these ten years, as well as being with special people. This gives me faith and hope to look forward to what the Lord has in store here over the coming years, which I look forward to.

The first few verses in Isaiah 61 are very familiar to me (about the Spirit of the Lord being on 'me' and anointing 'me' to share good news, to bind up broken hearts etc etc), but it struck me afresh that we so need that anointing as we reach out. In one sense it is not enough that we simply reach out, but we need the presence of God through His Spirit to make that effective. That passage may be the key passage for the Town Centre Pastoral Team as we look to reach out and share good news, but at the same time come pastorally into contact with folk whose hearts need binding up with God's love. We would very much like to increase the number of folk on the teams that go out, so if you are interested in joining, please let me know.

But later this month is the '**Big Lunch**' which is happening nationally on 19th July. It would be great to see Christians initiating street parties where they live, to bring back some of the sense of community that has been lost over the last decades and yet is so important. One possible street for this, a trouble spot for the town and of real concern for the local authorities, happens to be right next to our church building: Arthur Street. If you are interested in being involved with this, let me know asap.

It seems that a lot more is happening on the Sundays in Summer than normal. On 5th, John is being ordained, which should be a special occasion. The following week there is the church sponsored **Fun Run**. The next week is the Big Lunch which I hope lots of us will be involved with. So we have struggled to find a good date for the **Church Picnic** (usually before the schools break up), but we have had to go for 26th July, which is a clash for some people. But I still hope that this will be a fun church occasion bringing together folk from both congregations as we eat and play together. As in most previous years, this will be at Frimley Lodge Park from 1pm. Bring food and games and I will bring my canoe for use in the canal there.

There are plenty of other events this month. On 2nd July there is some training for the TCPT with the Army chaplaincy helping us for those opportunities that come up regularly with those from the Army who share, often for the first time with us, of some of the traumas they have been through. On 3rd the Soul Sisters have a Wine and Skittles outreach. On 4th The Fuse has their next meeting to bring together

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teenagers and young adults and draw others in. Through the first week or so the Assembly Team will be going into all the schools in town. On 18th there is a soirée at the Haley's. On 25th Barry and Claire get married at Trinity, and the last week of the month sees a large group of children head off to Viney Hill. Please pray for all these important things, even if you are not involved directly.

Please note that I have had to change the date of July's **PCC** meeting to 27th.

Looking back – we had a most brilliant Day Away. Our speaker, David Willey, spoke very clearly and in such an affirming way on the Beatitudes, the venue was very special with swimming, rowing, tennis, croquet and many other activities, and the food everyone brought was delicious! I wish I had been able to record the talks, both for myself to hear again, but also for those who missed out.

I also want to say – enjoy the summer and keep your eyes fixed on Jesus in all things. May the Lord bless and renew you at every level and lead you into more of His ways.

Verses and visions from June's PPP:

- Believe that things can change, and we need to trust the Lord for that in our lives, church and town, especially where things seem unchangeable.
- Look carefully to where the Lord is leading us; be ready for change and Aldershot can be changed.
- Aldershot, like Nineveh, needs to and can cry out to God for His mercy.
- Seek first the kingdom and His righteousness and all these things (what we had been praying for in the PPP) will be added to you. Lets get our priorities right!
- Should we do the 'Big Lunch' for Arthur Street?
- We have an amazing creation to steward; let's make sure we do it well.

George

Isaiah 61:1-3 The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion-- to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.

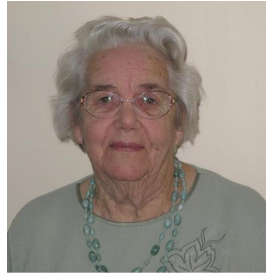
SPOTLIGHT ON RUTH

Ruth is a widow, with a son and a daughter, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

What are your role(s) at HT?

I am a member of the 11.15 congregation and of the Eggar's Court Fellowship Group, which I lead when George is away.

I've given up most of the jobs I used to do, but I'm still on the coffee rota. In the past I've helped with young wives, led Women's Hour, made coffee for Contact and done cleaning, flowers and gardening.



What was your family background?

I was the youngest of three children, with an older brother and sister. My father was in the army and we lived for six years in Gibraltar, when I was aged 5 to 11. I've been back once and the hills seemed a lot steeper and longer than they used to be! We walked a lot, because my mother didn't like riding in a horse-drawn vehicle. The school used to take us to the beach for swimming lessons.

We came back to the UK in 1935 and my father worked in a part of the Military Police which ran the military prison in Aldershot, commonly known as 'The Glasshouse'. After he was demobbed he carried on working there as a civilian warder. He went back to the army as a volunteer as soon as war was declared.

What's the first news story you remember hearing?

It was about the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War (1936) and the closing of the border with Gibraltar. We had visited Spain a number of times while we lived in Gibraltar and we knew a number of people who lived in Gibraltar but worked in Spain.

Have you lived in Aldershot ever since 1935?

Yes; I was exempted from National Service during the war, because my mother was ill. Then later my sister and I were able to keep the house so that there was a base for my father and brother, who were both in the Forces.

What jobs have you had?

Before the war I worked in the office at Thomas White's, which was a department store opposite Marks & Spencer and then after my mother died I worked at REME. After my family had grown up I helped a friend in her grocery store and later worked in a bakery – I went there to help out when there was a strike and stayed

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for over 10 years. I've also had to nurse quite a lot of elderly relatives during my life. It's funny – I never wanted to do nursing when I was young.

How did you become a Christian?

My family were churchgoers, but I first became a Christian in Gibraltar, where my best friend's father was an evangelical Scottish Presbyterian and the Missioner at MMG (the mission to the garrison). I can't say that there was a particular day when I became a Christian, but I asked Jesus into my life at a very young age.

What brought you to Holy Trinity?

My sister found Holy Trinity first, when she was working in Victoria Road, and then I came along with her. I must have been here just over 70 years – I think there are only two people in the congregation who've been here longer.

I met my husband, Stanley, at HT. He was working as an auditor at Radford & Sergeant, but then he was in the army in India during the war, so we didn't marry until after the war ended.

Has your life as a Christian been all plain sailing?

No. For a long time I felt that things weren't quite right, that I wasn't really good enough. I had to learn that we don't have to be 'good enough' – we're accepted as we are.

Also, Stanley died after we'd been married only 3½ years (probably as a result of the amoebic dysentery he'd had in India); Margaret was only 9 months old and Clive 2½. People say they don't know how I coped, but you just have to get on with it and take things a day at a time.

Because of my experience, I later did quite a lot of babysitting for other people, because I understand how much it means to be able to have an evening out. I've also tried to keep an open house and always welcome people in.

Would you recommend Christianity to others?

Yes, people who don't have a faith, don't have anything to hold on to.

'Blessed are the poor in spirit.' When someone says 'I could never be good enough to be a Christian' – that is the path to faith. After a while we may be tempted to think 'I'm a failure' – but God smiles; He can now start to work. If we have the Holy Spirit, it's a guarantee that we have the promise of the kingdom

(David at the HT Away Day)

SARAH'S GAP YEAR

Starting on September the 7th, I am going to London to join the London City Mission Gap Year scheme. I will be moving to London for the year and working with Bermondsey Christian Centre in Central London, near Tower Bridge.

Bermondsey Christian Centre is involved in a wide variety of work. I will be a part of a professional team, and I'll have a say in how the Centre is run. I will be working with children as young as 4, all the way up to people as old as 90. I will be involved in 2 children's clubs where I will have opportunities to teach the children Bible stories, play games, do craft activities, go on outings etc. There are also 2 school lunch clubs where I'll be able to join in with RE lessons and assemblies. The Centre is also involved in lots of youth work, where I will be able to discuss life issues with the youth, play games with them etc. There is a Bible study group for adults and the centre has an active part in the local Churches Together group.

To be able to go, I need to raise around £2000, so I am willing to do any odd jobs you may have, e.g. dog walking, ironing, cleaning etc. I would be really grateful for anyone who could help me raise money. Donations would also be gratefully received.

Thank you!

Sarah

NOSTALGIA

Do you remember when:

- It took five minutes for the TV to warm up
- Nearly everyone's Mum was at home when the kids got home from school
- All your male teachers wore neckties and female teachers had their hair done every day and wore high heels
- They threatened to keep kids back a year if they failed - and they did it!
- Having a Weapon in School meant being caught with a catapult
- 'Race issue' meant arguing about who ran the fastest

Thanks to Jean for these

CMJ - THE CHURCH'S MINISTRY AMONG JEWISH PEOPLE

Sunday 19th July is CMJ Sunday, when we support the work of The Church's Ministry among Jewish people

This year marks CMJ's bicentenary; it was founded in 1809 by a group of Christians who included William Wilberforce and it began its work amongst poor Jewish immigrants in the East End of London. In the 19th century its main focus was on the relief of poverty amongst Jewish people, mainly in Europe, but it also worked to counter anti-Semitism and supported the political moves which led eventually to the establishment of the state of Israel. Today CMJ's work is mainly in Israel, but it continues to work amongst Jewish people in the UK.

CMJ's mission is:

To encourage Jewish people to come to faith in Yeshua (Jesus) as their Messiah, to support them in serving him as Lord in the light of God's purpose for them, and to equip the church to be involved in this mission

CMJ's work in Israel provides help for both residents and visitors and includes:

- Christ Church, an Anglican church in Jerusalem's Old City, which serves both residents and visitors and shares facilities with a Messianic Hebrew congregation
- Hospitality and retreat centres in Jerusalem and Galilee
- Christian schools, including the Anglican International School in Jerusalem
- Biblical study tours .

In addition to fund-raising to support the work in Israel, CMJ's work in the UK includes spreading the Gospel amongst Jewish people, encouraging and supporting the spiritual growth of Messianic believers and congregations (ie Jewish Christians), teaching about the Jewish roots of the Christian faith in churches, theological colleges and universities and providing teaching materials.

There is more information at the back of church and also on: www.cmj.org.uk

Don't believe everything you think

The best ideas are the ones you haven't had yet.

I can only be nice to one person a day and today is not your day. Tomorrow doesn't look too good either.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN SUMMER SCHOOL

The annual Diocesan Summer School, this time with the theme of 'Getting grounded', runs from 4th to 18th July, with a variety of whole-day, half-day and evening sessions, including formal talks and less formal workshops as well as exhibitions.

Full details of the programme and a booking form are in the green-covered Diocesan Summer School booklet (copies at the back of church) or on www.cofeguildford.org.uk. We understand that late bookings are possible for most events.

The programme includes the following:

The Bishop's Candlesticks – one act play with supper

Friday 10 July at 7.30pm in the cathedral refectory.

Cost for the evening: £20.

A drama based on scenes from *Les Miserables*, giving a demonstration of God's unconditional love and forgiveness. It involves a one-act play between courses and a chance to discuss with friends over coffee. One of the ideas behind this session is learning how to put on such an event in the parish, maybe as an evangelistic event prior to running Alpha.

OPPORTUNITIES TO PRAY

This month, as in most months, there are two opportunities to pray closer to home:

Holy Trinity's own Prayer Praise and Prophecy is on the first Monday of the month, ie July 6th, at 7.30pm in Crossover



The ACT (Aldershot Churches Together) Prayer Meeting is on the second Monday, ie July 13th at 7.30pm at Park Evangelical Church in Church Lane East.

Prayer is powerful, prayer changes things. Join us to pray!

ORDINATIONS

John Kellagher

John Kellagher is being ordained as deacon on Sunday 5th July at Guildford Cathedral at 10.30 am. John and Jacquie have been with us at Holy Trinity since September and John will become Curate at HT, although part time, as he still has his day job. Everyone is welcome to attend the ordination service, but we are advised to arrive in good time and, if possible, share transport.

Alison Brown

Alison Brown, ex HT member and daughter of Val & Jim Knight, is being ordained priest on Saturday 4th July at Guildford Cathedral at 11.00 am. Val reports that 'All are warmly welcomed to this service.'

Alison is a curate at the church of St Mary the Virgin in Horsell.

Please pray for both John and Alison in their ministry.

Deacon, priest, curate – what's the difference?

(Something you may have wondered, but never liked to ask)

Deacons and priests are both part of the ordained ministry of the Church of England. Most (but by no means all) work in parishes as vicars or curates, leading and preaching in services, but also ministering to individuals, overseeing the running of the church and much more besides. They are men and women who have felt called by God to serve Him and have followed a formal course of training.

The person is ordained first as deacon and usually serves for about a year in a parish before being ordained priest (the word 'deacon comes from the Greek word for 'servant'). The main practical difference is that only someone who has been ordained priest may lead a Communion service.

'Curate' is a job title, used for someone who serves in a parish under the direction of a vicar. A curate must be ordained, but can be either deacon or priest.

For more information ask George.

Arthur & Christine

At home - to celebrate 40 years of marriage

Saturday 29th August and Saturday 5th September, 2.30 to 7.00pm

Light refreshments

All HT members welcome

Come either day – if possible let us know in advance

Guildford Diocese in association with Acorn

Healing Day at the Cathedral

Saturday 5th September 2009, 10.00 am to 4.00 pm

Teaching, workshops, worship and healing prayer

Contact Acorn Christian Healing Foundation ~ Tel: 01420 478121)
or Email: acornday09@googlemail.com

More detail in August Update

[Update is now available on line at www.htca.org.uk](http://www.htca.org.uk)

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