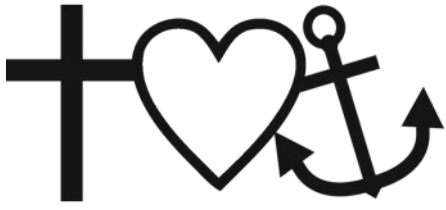


The Parish Magazine

Holy Trinity Sunningdale

Church and Community

to live by faith, to be known by love, to be a voice of hope



Looking to the Future 2016 - 2020

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**We hope to be
welcoming our new
Vicar to Sunningdale
this Summer!**

Summer 2017

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

SUNDAY SERVICES

HOLY TRINITY SUNNINGDALE (C OF E)

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8:30 am

Holy Communion

10:00 am

Morning Service

Typically two Morning Worship and two Communion services per month please see website for further information

3:30 pm

Service at Lynwood

(in association with other local churches)

SUNNINGDALE BAPTIST CHURCH

Linda Brooks

01344 626140

10:30 am

Morning Service

SACRED HEART (CATHOLIC CHURCH)

Father Antonio

01344 621238

10:00 am Mass

11:30 am Mass



Join us for Monday Prayers

You are invited to come along to a time of silence, reflection and contemplation as we await the arrival of our new vicar. We will follow a simple formula of prayers and readings, with opportunities for anyone to voice their own prayers and also silence for private meditation.

**Meet in church at 7 pm
on the following Mondays:
April 24, May 8 and 22,
June 5 and 19, July 3 and 17**

Pastoral Team

Please call 01344 621886
if you would like someone to talk to
or someone to help you in
a time of need



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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS:

In this edition of our Parish Magazine we're sharing some details of the selection process for our new Vicar. This has involved taking a fresh look at who we are and where we're headed. As part of the process, a Parish Profile is prepared that describes the parish, our mission priorities and the selection criteria. The Parish Profile followed a formal diocesan process that involved consultation with the Bishop of Reading, Oxford Diocese Parish Development Advisor, Area Dean and the Parochial Church Council (PCC) that represent our church members. The PCC approved the Parish Profile at a special meeting with the Bishop in January. The full version of our Parish Profile can be found on the home page of our website and we have included some extracts on the next pages of this magazine outlining our "Mission and Priorities", the "Person Specification" and "Where We're At".

The Parish Profile is our opportunity to tell potential applicants about our community and life at Holy Trinity, which is important as they may be uprooting their families or moving great distances away from their support networks. The Parish Profile also sets out our thinking about our future, and the attributes of a candidate that we believe are necessary for success. This is embodied in the Person Specification that is used as the objective selection criteria.

By the time this magazine goes to print, the interview process will have taken place on 20th March with an expectation of welcoming our new Vicar in the Summer. According to that time frame we'll be introducing our new Vicar in the next edition.

As your local Church, our mission statement is "**To live by faith, to be known by love, to be a voice of hope**". Why not find out more and come for a coffee at our Rendezvous Café (2nd Wednesday of each month) with your friends or family? We also have other regular events, the details of which are outlined in this magazine or can be found on our website.

**Rogan Hounsell-Roberts and
Anne Houlihan, Churchwardens**

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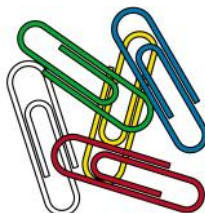
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Monday 9-3

Tuesday 9-12

Wednesday 9-3
and Thursday 9-3



Sunningdale Village Hall



For all enquiries, please call 01344 297250
www.sunningdalevillagevenues.co.uk

Baptisms

We recently celebrated the baptisms of

Charles Francis Dowthwaite - 5 March
Kiran Artur Roopun - 26 March

Funerals

Please pray for the family and friends of

Frederick William Parsley
Robert Bryan
Edith Doyle
Hilda Butters
Barbara O'Grady
Bill Ryder
Marion Smith
Anthony Tittle
Albert William Dowdell

"You may shed tears that they have gone or you can smile because they have lived" anon

THESE PAGES CONTAIN EXTRACTS

Our Mission and Priorities

Our mission statement is “**To live by faith, to be known by love and to be a voice of hope**”.

To live by faith,

we seek to be centred on God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit - to be passionate about Christian discipleship in order to have greater confidence in our faith and in Jesus Christ whom we seek to serve - to offer opportunities for worship using the best of the traditional and the new.

To be known by love,

we seek to be oriented towards the world and its needs - to serve God in bringing His love to people near and far - to make the best use of our facilities to meet changing needs.

To be a voice of hope,

we seek to be a blessing, connecting with people, both in their communities and in their culture in new ways - to communicate God’s word and God’s love - to establish links with those presently outside the church.

Feedback from the congregation has highlighted several priorities for growth in the life of the church which we need a new leader to help us bring about:

- **Children and youth programmes** to reinvigorate our efforts to engage with, and to attract, young people of all ages.
- **Develop facilities** that will enable us to support the mission of the Church. Providing a community hub, and flexible space for Church growth.
- **Heartfelt music and worship** that will encourage everyone to encounter the Living God.
- **Outreach and evangelism** that we may be a beacon of light, drawing all people to a new life in Christ.

Person Specification

We are thankful for the 18 years of leadership and initiative of our previous incumbent, and now seek a leader so that we can expand our mission capabilities. This section further describes the characteristics of a visionary leader aligned with our current mission and priorities.

Calling

- Confident in their own calling as a leader in Christ’s Church.
- Who knows and understands the grace of God at work in their life.
- With a clear sense of being called to lead Holy Trinity in future mission and ministry.

Character

- Prayerful, with a **faith filled** dependency on Jesus.
- Having a **loving heart** for all, that builds mutual trust.
- **Inspiring hope** in God’s Kingdom.
- Open and friendly.

Chemistry

- Sensitive to the different demographics and cultures within the Holy Trinity family.
- Able to build collaborative partnerships across our wider community.
- Engages readily with other local Church leaders.

Competence

- Challenging and equipping, authentic leader, who will bring people together for a **shared vision**.
- Will evaluate and lead our desire to be a **community hub**.
- Experience of managing teams and delivering programmes.
- Experience of building **children’s and youth** teams.
- Will **lead worship** across various styles of service.
- Experience and commitment in leading people to faith.

FROM OUR PARISH PROFILE

Where we're at...

Children and Young People

Currently we provide groups for children and youth from ages 0-18. We have excellent links with our Church Primary School, and Charters, our village Secondary School. A number of young people come to New Wine, and some serve on team. Young people have also been to Soul Survivor and a recent mission trip on a working holiday to Ooty in India with Friends of Smyrna Home. The Church has employed several children and youth ministers in the recent past.

We believe in investing in children and young people because they are integral to the church of today, and vital for the church of tomorrow.

Our Worship

Our Sunday services include a quiet traditional communion and a more informal service - reflecting the wide age span and worship needs of the village and regular worshippers. These are supported by experienced lay leading, preaching, prayer ministry and worship teams and an organist. We also provide regular services at Dormy House and Lynwood care homes and, during vacancy, have been piloting a monthly café style service on a Saturday afternoon that is open to all and aimed at young people in secondary education.

We believe that worship draws us closer to God, unites us in Christ, and helps us to become more like Christ in our daily lives.

Outreach and Evangelism

Currently we describe ourselves as Church Family and aim to welcome all people, of all ages, and all backgrounds. Amongst other activities we reach out to our community through:

- Strong Pastoral ministry.
- Connecting with the local community through schools, care homes, community support and events.

- Caring Cuisine, which provides ready prepared food and prayers for anyone in need.
- Regular 4Women and 4Men events.
- Monthly Lunch 'n' Meet providing a meal, friendship and activity for older people.
- Youth café open to all secondary school youngsters.
- Rendezvous café open to all ages including mums and toddlers.
- We also reach out to the wider world supporting work in Kitgum, Uganda via an on-going partnership with Tearfund. We support St Augustine's Hospital in Muheza, Tanzania and in India we have links with Friends of Smyrna Home, a UK charity that supports Smyrna Home, working with the poorest sectors of Indian society.

We believe that inspiring our congregation in outreach and evangelism will empower each of us to share our faith.

Community Hub

Currently we have planning permission from the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead (2015) for an extension to provide new community rooms, catering and toilet facilities. Previously there was insufficient support for completing this in one big build, and therefore moving forward we are considering an incremental approach. Although we have not applied for a Faculty, the DAC and other stakeholders have been fully involved in the formation of the current plans. To make our building more welcoming, we have installed new heating (2016) and are working on new seating. We have enjoyed a strong history of community engagement.

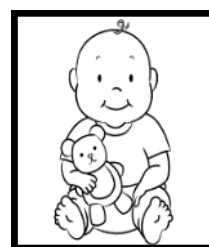
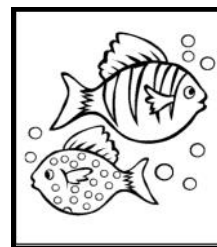
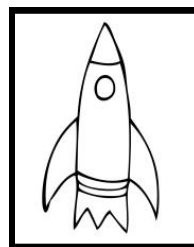
We believe that a community hub will help strengthen encounters with existing community partners by providing much needed facilities, and provide new opportunities for mission activities.

***The full Parish Profile document
can be viewed on our website
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Children ...

“Children are a vital part of the church today and the leaders of the church of tomorrow.”

Mission-Shaped Church

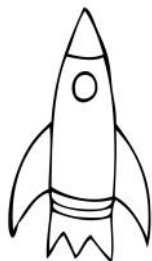


At Holy Trinity Sunningdale (HTS) we also think **children** are brilliant.

We have different **groups** for them, from 0 to 11 years.

The groups meet **every week** in term-time.

All our leaders have **DBS** Checks.



THE ZONE (School years 1-6): Sunday 9:45 am

9:45 am Arrive for refreshments at church

10:00 am Service begins

10:10 am Walk to Village Hall with Leaders

10:15 am Games, craft activities, Bible stories, discussion

11:00 am Return to church

BUBBLES (age 3 to 5 years): Sunday 9:45 am

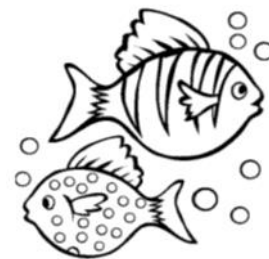
While our parents are in church in the morning service at 10:00 am, we escape to the Chapel to have our own learning and activity time.

Each week we have a craft project, so we always have something to take home.

This reminds us of the story we have heard that day.

Mums and Dads say they really love the things we make at Bubbles.

They even pick up ideas for us to try at home. We love it! It's great!



CRÈCHE (under 3s): Sunday 9:45 am

Even the smallest people are welcome at HTS. There is coffee for Mum and Dad on arrival! From 10:00 am, we spend time with our leaders/helpers in the Church Room, while our parents are in the morning service. It gives Mum and Dad a welcome break! And ... they can take their turn on the rota too.

For more information about any of these groups or if you would like to get involved in one of the teams, please contact Helena Redpath

at the Church Office

T: 01344 621886

E: htschildrenandyouth@gmail.com

**Refreshments
are available from
9:45 am every
Sunday!**

Youth ...

At Holy Trinity Sunningdale (HTS) we know how critical and tricky the teenage years can be for young people.

We have several different groups for those aged from 11 to 18 years.

Our young people come from various schools in the Ascot area.



FUEL Tuesday 8:00 - 9:30 pm



This is a safe gathering place for those who are in school year 10 up to those who are aged 18. The group meets in Paul and Susie's home.

In a chilled-out atmosphere, we look at what the Bible has to say about current issues, discuss and debate different angles on important things and have fun getting to make new friends.

YOUTH CAFÉ Friday 7:00 - 8:30 pm

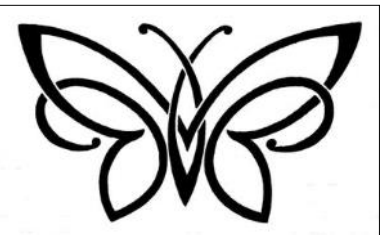


Twice a month on Friday evening (usually 2nd and 4th Friday of each month during term-time) we make the church building available for young people in secondary school (school years 7 through to 13) just to hang out and meet friends in a safe and relaxed environment.

Amazing games, hot chocolate and marshmallows and you can bring your own music too!

This term: April 28, May 5 and 19, June 9 and 23 and BBQ on July 14.

NEW CREATION Sunday 9:45 - 11:00 am



At the Village Hall, those in school years 6-9 have their own programme in the New Creation group.

It's a great opportunity to talk, to think and to discuss ideas in a fun atmosphere with Barry and Judith.

For more information or to volunteer to help on the teams please call the Church Office on 01344 621886

Easter Week 2017

Monday 10 April
Tuesday 11 April
Wednesday 12 April
7:15 - 7:45 pm
Easter Meditation

Maundy Thursday, 13 April
7:15 pm
Bring and Share Passover Supper

Good Friday, 14 April
2 pm
An hour before the cross

Easter Saturday, 15 April
3 pm - 5 pm
Messy Easter
Fun family
Easter celebration,
suitable for
all ages.
Crafts, drama,
Easter egg hunt.



Easter Sunday, 16 April
8:30 am
Holy Communion
10 am
Family Communion

Small Groups

Questions? Questions?

Do you ever leave Church with questions?
Ever wish you could interrupt the talk and ask
"Can you tell me what you mean by....?"

The answer may be to join a small group.

Friendly weekday small groups meet to share and learn together. Building on what we hear in Church, working out how to put our faith into practice. Currently groups meet on Mondays 1:30-3 pm, Tuesdays 8-9:30 pm, Wednesdays 8-9:45 pm and Thursdays 10:30-12 noon.

**If you would like to find out more please
contact the Church Office.**



4Women Monthly Curry Nights

Our curry nights are held on the 4th Monday of each month at the Rajbhog Restaurant, Sunninghill High Street. Do join us for a great evening.

4Women Charity Dinner 7.45 pm, Friday 12 May 2017 "Allergy Awareness" at Sunningdale Village Hall

Invite your friends to join us at our next 4Women Charity dinner. As well as sharing a delicious meal, we will be hearing how to cope with the growing number of food allergies experienced by our family and friends. Profits from the evening will go to support allergy awareness charities.

Tickets £15

**Please contact the 4Women team
to reserve your place email
4womensunningdale@gmail.com**

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The last 4Women Dinner on 4 February raised an amazing £462.90 for Friends of Smyrna, thank you to everyone who attended and we look forward to seeing you again in May.



4Men Pub Evenings

Informal get togethers at The Nags Head on the 2nd Thursday of the month. All welcome. Meet at 8 pm.

**For further information please
email hts4men@gmail.com**

Rendezvous Café in Church

2nd Wednesday
of every month

9:15 am - 12:00 noon

April 12, May 10, June 14,
July 12, August 9,
September 13

We'd love to welcome you for tea
or coffee and home baked cake.

Meet up with your friends
or come alone.

Crèche room available for little
ones and free Wi-Fi.

Do drop in!



CARING CUISINE

Our gift to you, given with love

There can be times when
(due to a variety of life changes)
having a light meal cooked or a cake
baked for you would be a very welcome gift.
In line with the HTS Church Family
ethos of caring in the community,
we are delighted to offer:

Caring Cuisine.

How does it work? We have a team of
volunteers who cook a gift of a meal suitable for
freezing for 2-4 persons, soup in similar
portions, a cake or small cakes. After an illness,
it is nice to be able to offer a lovely slice or
small cake with a cup of coffee or tea, when
visitors call.

Who is eligible? Anyone in the community, not
necessarily in the Church Family. A new baby
arrives. The main carer in a family is ill or has
had an accident. Someone is recuperating after
an operation. Someone is moving house. Any
time when we are going through temporary
challenging changes.

What do I need to do? If you know of someone
you feel needs a caring gift from **Caring
Cuisine** please contact Amanda in the church
office (01344 621886). She will pass on the
details to me and I will call to offer our gift.
Arrangements can then be made to bring the
gift to you at home.

Warmest wishes **Karen Fisher (07770 211971)**

Lunch 'n' Meet!

A meeting place for
older people, young at heart

Meal, Friendship and Activity

Last Friday of each month

1 pm – 3 pm

at The Hope Centre
High Street, Sunningdale

All Welcome

For more info please call
Rita on 01344 845123

Youth Café

Twice a month during term-time.

Usually 2nd and 4th Friday
evenings @ HTS

7 pm to 8:30 pm

All secondary age children

April 28,

May 5 and 19,

June 9 and 23

and BBQ

on July 14

FRIDAY YOUTH



CAFE

GET INVOLVED WITH HTS OVERSEAS PARTNERSHIPS

tearfund

Join me on a trip to Uganda this October.

It is said that there are only two certainties in life – death and taxes – I think there is a third certainty – your life will be changed for the better by going with me to Uganda.

I am planning a trip to join up with our friends in the Diocese of Kitgum in Northern Uganda this October, hopefully to coincide with the school half term break.

I would like you to join me and spend time learning from communities that will inspire you beyond belief; to see how dignity is being restored, communities are flourishing, and people are being empowered. When I visited in 2014 it changed my whole outlook on what it means to bring 'good news to the poor'. In reality it was the poor who brought 'good news' to me.

You will meet people whose laughter and community spirit will challenge your understanding of what being blessed by God means.

If you would like to know more details and likely cost, please contact me in person or by telephone Terry Ward-Hall 07734 107143

Visit to Smyrna Home, India, Summer 2017

In the last issue of this magazine we featured our visit in July 2016 to Smyrna Home in Ooty, in the Nilgiri hills in India, the Christian charity working amongst poor and needy people in the area.

We organised crafts and activities with the young people and adults and helped with their therapy. We also got involved in the feeding programme for the neediest in the community where, once a week, they receive a good hot meal, and we witnessed the building of a new home for a poor family in the local community, which was funded through our trip.

Each of the team brought back their own special memories of the trip but, perhaps the abiding memory will be the joy of serving God together as a team as we sought to bring help and hope to people who have so little of the world's material wealth and yet can teach us so much through their cheerfulness and faith. It was such a great experience that we are planning to arrange a similar trip to Smyrna Home this coming August (14-31). If you are interested in joining us and would like some further information, please contact **Tony and Val Neal** (tonyandvalneal@gmail.com), **Sam Marchant** (samuelmarchant@btinternet.com) or **Emily Dodsworth** (emilyyodsworth@icloud.com).

Returning to Holy Trinity Church this June

**JOHN GREGORY
AND
THE LIPINSKI BAND**

UN-PLUGGED



A not to be missed opportunity to enjoy an exclusive and fabulous evening of live music. A mixture of original songs and rock, soul and gospel covers.

Charity concert organised by former England player and football manager John Gregory.

June date will be confirmed shortly. Please check the Holy Trinity Church website for further details and ticket information.