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Collect

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Information

Fellowship News is now being sent out by email to everyone who has given consent under GDPR. If you do not wish to receive Fellowship News by email

Fellowship News

Welcome to everyone

If this is your first time with us, or you are visiting today, then a very special welcome to you: we hope you have a great time with us. Please do make yourself known to one of the welcoming or leadership team, who will be able to tell you more about life at St Helens and St Barnabas. Refreshments are served after both services; in church at St Barnabas, and in the church hall at St Helens. Please do join us!

Kids Church

As today's service is an All Age service at St Helens, there will be no Kids Church.

Keep in Touch

For more information on the life of our church and the various activities to get involved with:



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TODAY

9.00am at St Barnabas
10.30am at St Helens

Today is Mothering Sunday and at St Barnabas we will be celebrating Holy Communion, whilst at St Helen we welcome the Rainbows, Brownies and Rangers for an All Age Service. Our theme is "Family Belonging" and the reading is 1 Samuel 1: 20—end (Page 271)

7th April

9.00am at St Barnabas
10.30am at St Helens
6.30pm at St Barnabas

Next week in our service of Morning Worship our theme will be 'Transformed by Glory' and our reading will be 2 Corinthians 3: 1—18 (Page 1159)



Our Mission Statement

Our vision is to be a healing community, loving like Jesus; growing His Kingdom in our families, church life, town, nation and world.

Weekly Diary

Monday 1st April	12.45pm	St Barnabas	Monday Prayer
Tuesday 2nd	10.00am	St Barnabas	Art Group
Wednesday 3rd	9.30am	St Helen's Hall	Happy Hands
	9.30am—12.30pm	Church House	Prayer Room Open
	11.00am	St Barnabas	Holy Communion
	1.45pm	St Barnabas	CAMEO (see below)
Thursday 4th	7.30pm	St Helen	Worship Team Practice
Friday 5th	6.30pm	St Helen's Hall	Youth Group

Notices

FELLOWSHIP NEWS ITEMS DEADLINE: 6PM WEDNESDAY

PRAYER MINISTRY is offered at the end of the service at St Helen's Church each Sunday. To arrange prayer during the week please contact:

Leader: Lynn White

Organiser: June Potter

PRAYER IN CHURCH HOUSE Prayer for the service at St Helens takes place in Church House from 10am each Sunday. All welcome!

HAPPY HANDS BABY & TODDLER GROUP on Wednesday mornings during term time in St Helen's Hall. Tea/Coffee served from 9.30am. All welcome!

PRAYER ROOM OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY! The former creche room in Church House is open as a prayer room between 9.30am and 12.30pm each Wednesday. Colossians 4:2 'Devote yourselves to prayer...'

GDPR CONSENT FORMS If you haven't yet completed a GDPR consent form and are happy for your details to be held by the Church then please speak with Lois or email sthelensoffice@gmail.com to get a form. Thank you!

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL: Forms must be returned by **11th April 2019**. After this date the Electoral Roll will be closed and no additions to the Roll will be made until after the APCM on Monday 29th April 2019. If you have any questions, please do ask! Thanks. Lois

STAMPS & BIBLES Cynthia Care is collecting used stamps for the Bible Society. Any used stamps, British or foreign received at church. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE! Church BBQ after Sunday services on **Sunday 14th July 2019**.

PRAYER & PRAISE The next Prayer & Praise will take place on Sunday **7th April** at 6.30pm at St Barnabas—All Welcome!

SAVE THE DATE! Shared lunch in St Helen's Hall after the morning service on **Sunday 12th May** to celebrate Richard Keep's 60th! Please let Anja know if you are planning to be there.

Notices

BIBLE BY THE BEACH 2019—3rd to 6th May 2019, Congress Theatre, Eastbourne. The theme is AMAZED—Sin, Grace and an Amazing God! See www.biblebythebeach.org for more information and booking details.

WILDLIFE GARDENING DAY! In conjunction with 'Happy Hands' we are having an eco-gardening day on **Wednesday 10th April**. It is open to all ages, but children must be supervised by an adult. There will be a morning session from 10am until 12 Noon, Lunch provided between 12 Noon and 1.00pm and an afternoon session from 1pm until 3pm. A small charge of £1.50 for one child or £2 for a family will be made per session. We will be planting a wild bird friendly hedge, creating insect hotels, sowing wildflower seeds and other wildflower activities. For those too small to garden, toddler group activities will be available in the hall. If you are able to help out on the day with the gardening activities, making tea/coffee/lunch etc. please speak with Lois or Christine Aitken. We also need plant pots, bamboo canes, terracotta pots, roofing tiles, pine cones, wooden pallets, newspapers and any unwanted adult and children's gardening tools. Again, please speak with Christine Aitken if you can help, or contact the church office.

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: Hastings Interfaith Forum and Pestalozzi are holding an afternoon looking at various cultural attitudes to well-being. John Geater is speaking as is Dr Tom Fonseka known to some at St Helens and the afternoon will include food and dancing by students at Pestalozzi. All are welcome. **Saturday 13th April, 2pm to 5.40pm** at Pestalozzi Centre, Pestalozzi Village, Ladybird Lane, Sedlescombe, TN33 0UF

FIRST SUNDAY WALK Sunday 7th April @ 2.30pm. Meet at Crowhurst church for a wander amongst the wood Anenomes (hopefully!).

BIBLE READING AT ST HELENS If you are not on email but would like to be included in the list of people who do the Bible Reading on a Sunday morning at St Helen's, then please speak with Lois.

PASTORAL CARE Our Pastoral Care Team are Karen Walker, June Potter and Pat Purle. We rely on friends, relatives and church members to tell us where there is a need, but we are also aware that some people prefer their privacy. Pastoral Care is everyone's responsibility—we all need to care for each other.

Some 40 **CAMEO** members and friends spent an enjoyable couple of hours at the Brickwall Hotel, Sedlescombe, last Wednesday lunchtime. Pre-booked from an attractive menu, the four round tables were soon served by an efficient team of waiters, while the food was cooked and presented to a high standard of perfection. Our own team of drivers provided valued assistance in getting everybody to and from this popular venue, and warm thanks were recorded to the organising committee under the direction of Pearl Wingfield.

This Wednesday (3rd April) our monthly QUIZ and TABLE SALE begins at 1.45 pm at St. Barnabas - be there a little earlier to secure the best bargains!