# FAREHAM EFOCUS

# Summer is here!

This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PSALM 118:24

**JULY 2025** 

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<u>Services for the Month of</u>
<u>July 2025</u>

06 <sup>th</sup> July	10:30 am. Revd. Dr. John Illsley. Family Holy Communion 14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
13 <sup>th</sup> July	10:30 am Local Arrangement. "Action for Children" 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.
20 <sup>th</sup> July	10:30 am. Revd. Pauline Crispin. All Age Worship. 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.
27 <sup>th</sup> July	10:30 am Local Arrangement – Linda Press 17 <sup>th</sup> in Ordinary Time.
	6:00 pm Revd. Pauline Crispin. Holy Communion/ Reflective Service.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	10:30 am.

Revd. Pauline Crispin. Holy Communion.

#### Sunday Coffee and Tea Rota July 2025

06 <sup>th</sup> July	Cath Steven and Magaret Boyd.
13 <sup>th</sup> July	lan Bagshaw and Lanre Akwenuke
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Elizabeth Wilcock and Terry Ferguson.
27 <sup>th</sup> July.	Lynda Haydon-Jones and Rae Shepherd.
03 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Rach Davies and Jenny Chalmers.

Meet and Greet on a Sunday. July 2025			
06 <sup>th</sup> July	Christine Fielding		
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Christine Fielding		
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Christine Fielding		
27 <sup>th</sup> July	Heather Murphy		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Christine Fielding		

Flower Rota July 2025		
06 <sup>th</sup> July		
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Linda Foster	
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Margaret Henderson	
27 <sup>th</sup> July	Malcolm Race	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Lin Woodhams	

#### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY AT 7:30 PM.

Please send any reports to Heather by 8<sup>th</sup> July, if possible.

Thank you.

### **VESTRY JOTTINGS**

Hello all,

I'd like to start by thanking everyone involved in the "Holiday at Home" 'trip' to Greece. It was, as always, an awesome effort from all involved. All the guests *really* enjoyed themselves.

There are 2 pairs of glasses (eyeglasses, as the Americans would say!!) at the back of the church, above the hymn books; they have been there for a wee while now; if anyone is missing a pair, please have a look.

The next evening communion service will be on the 27th. If you'd like to join a more contemplative, quiet service, this is the service for you. It is a more peaceful, low-key service, where we sit in a horseshoe, leading to a more personal and intimate time of worship; this I know has helped many of the congregation and visitors in the past. As stewards we commend the service to you, and we look forward to welcoming you on the 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Audrey on behalf of the Stewards.

# THANK YOU, MESSAGES,



Margaret Temple would like to thank the church for the lovely flowers delivered by Liz Avison for her birthday.





#### Brunel Primary and Nursery Academy now has a brand-new playground

This joyful space is a celebration of what's possible when we come together for the planet. We had a blast at the installation, and we hope you'll join us in cheering on this incredible achievement.

Take a look at our playground with a frame made of 100% recycled materials–including recycled food containers!



An interesting article from Money Supermarket.

What Vehicle make is most popular among thieves?

The most popular vehicle make among thieves is Mercedes-Benz. There were 2,460 Mercedes stolen in 2024 – with BMW and Ford coming second and third. Least stolen car Peugeot.

Most stolen colour of vehicle Black – with Grey and Blue coming second and third. Least stolen colour is Yellow

So, the best car to buy is a Yellow Peugeot !! Thank you, Bobby, Playgrounds like this aren't awarded regularly but every shipment you send makes a difference.

#### Editor's note

Well, we seem to have survived the last heatwave. Phew glad it is now cooler but still sunny.

Guess where this patch of prettiness is at church.



Thank you, Maggie,

As I am at the Holiday Club at the end of July deadline for next efocus will be  $2^{nd}$  August .



## HOLIDAY AT HOME TO GREECE.







Everyone had an amazing time. The film was "Shirley Valentine", Greek dinner was served with honey cake for dessert. The day ended with lemon cake and tea. Even had one lady dancing to the music of "Mama Mia.". What a day trip we all had.

Thank you all so much for the lovely Greek Day you arranged for us we appreciated all your hard work in making it a success YOU'RE THE BEST! with best wis hes. Ynghett Batt. Jocquie Turser. Thank you All. B kristene Fielding abry ela M Barroul = XX Jenny Notos

a big Very big Thankyou for the gift of 'a Day in Greese For the :-Planning, Organisation, Shopping, Preparation, Cooking, Layout, Service, phewl Everyone agreed that they had enjoyed a "Wonderfal time, and that the food was splendid!

What more can I pass on ?

# The Prayer Tree

The Prayer Tree is in the Welcome Area. Anyone who would like the Prayer Circle to pray for them, or others, please write your request on a leaf and hang it on the tree. These will be collected each month when the group meets.

# The Thursday prayer group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary.

All are welcome to join us, for five minutes or for as long as you wish. We will pray with or for you or you may prefer to just listen and pray silently. Our prayers will include any from the prayer tree left during the month.

4<sup>th</sup> September Bob

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# THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Thursday morning bible study is continuing to look at the women in the Old Testament.

If you would like to join our small but friendly group on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10:00 am. Please pop in or if you would like more information, it will be great to speak.

Bobby kindly took this photo when she visited on the annual open day for the Queen's Copse and Platinum Copse. This is our Sweet Chestnut tree – it is looking very healthy

Thank you, Bobby.

# Audrey Mann







#### SUNDAY LUNCH ON 20th July 2025 AT 12.15 P.M. APPROX.

This is open to all members of the congregation, family and friends. We ask for a donation (of at least £5 each if you are able, please) towards the cost of the meal and any profits will go to a charity named on the day. If you would like to make a pudding of your choice and bring it along that would be very good – thank you.

#### The Menu

Starter: Soup or Egg Mayonnaise

Main Course: Pork, Sausages, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables.

Puddings:

Variety.

There will be a list in the Welcome area for you to sign.

Please come along and enjoy a Sunday lunch!

If you can stay to help until all the washing up is done please sign the helpers list. It then means that those who have been at church since 8.45am can slip away before 3pm! Thank you. Jill Groom

Harvest 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025 Our Harvest service this year will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> September. We are looking for someone who would like to be responsible for the decoration of the church for this on Saturday 20th September or anyone who would like to be part of a team to do this. If you feel you could help with this, please let one of the Stewards know as soon as possible and preferably by Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July. Jean Petter, on behalf of the Stewards

# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

After several disappointments I am pleased to introduce Oscar, the new addition to the Haydon-Jones family He was well worth waiting for. Lynda

> Photos of our 4 grandchildren. Audrey

Pauline's wonderful garden. What a transformation in less than 2 years. A lot of love has been put into it.







# JUNE MESSY CHURCH



Once again, a lot of fun was had by all. The theme this month was The Prodigal Son. The hot dogs went down very well for our meal. Fruit skewers were created alongside a tasty chocolate cake which always goes down well.

THERE WILL BE NO MESSY CHURCH IN JULY AND AUGUST.