

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**  
**Please inform Kathleen if you want**  
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**In the parishes:**

Friends of Margaret Doak: Nigel and Jenny  
And Margaret's cousin: Sally

Please contact Kathleen if you would like any names under this section.

**Residential Care, Nursing Homes and Hospitals: Kims Hospital, Cygnet Mental Health Unit, 21 Church Lane:** all those

Who live and work at 21 Church Lane

**Residential Care:** Doris Corbett,  
Myrtle Clare,

**Hillbeck:** Alan Lumb

**Pilgrims Nursing Home:** Joan Faulkner

**LVCourt Nursing Home:** Marjorie Cork

**Bower Mount Road:** Doreen Croucher

**Invicta Court Care Home:** Marjorie Gibson,  
Roy Foot

**Otterbourne View Nursing Home,**

**Winchester:** Lorna Humphrey

**Sutton Road:** Miriam Cott nee Britcher, is now out of hospital and back at the nursing home

**Deceased:** Jean Corps – Funeral Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 11am at Holy Cross Church  
Ted White – Funeral Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 10.30am at Holy Cross Church

**The families and friends of those whose anniversaries fall:**

Peter Monckton, Frederick Naylor,  
Margaret Flint, Ronald Attafield,  
Debbie Raymen, Barbara Ravenscroft



**NORTH DOWNS TEAM MINISTRY**

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**Eighth Sunday after Trinity**  
**7<sup>th</sup> August**

8.00am Eucharist  
10.00am Joint Classic Style Service  
6pm New Way Style Service

**8.00am Eucharist**

Presider/Preacher: Anthony Hirst  
Reading: Genesis 15: 1-6 – Thelma Horne

**10.00am Joint Classic Style Service**

Presider: Colin Terry  
Preacher: Ann Harrison  
Intercessions: Angela Legood  
Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-5 – Jane Tricker  
Luke 9: 10-17

**6pm New Way Style Service**

Leader: Cathrine  
Intercessions: Pam Prymjeski  
Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-5 – Diana Sandford  
For those who are attending the New Way evening services, starting at 6pm you are invited to join the bring and share finger supper following the service. You are kindly asked to bring either a savoury or sweet finger buffet dish (to serve approx.6). Please also bring own liquid refreshments. Plate and napkin will be provided.

**Daily Morning Prayer**

Monday-Thursday – 9am  
<https://zoom.us/j/99035645865?pwd=NWNGK1FCSHdVYkIORFFrK3EzZU1wZz09>  
Meeting ID:990 3564 5865Passcode: 624122

**Ninth Sunday after Trinity**  
**14<sup>th</sup> August**

8.00am Eucharist  
10.00am Joint Classic Style Service

## **NOTICES**

### **1. SEASONS OF LOVE**

A summer concert by Mixed Blessings in aid of Ukraine on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August at Holy Cross Church, Bearsted, 7pm. Tickets £10 to include a glass of wine/soft drink, available on the door or in advance from Tom Lee 01622 738580; 07545 413330; email [tom\\_lee@btinternet.com](mailto:tom_lee@btinternet.com)

### **2. NEW CHAIRS**

The public notice regarding installation of new free standing chairs is now on display inside and outside church.

### **3. UKRAINE REFUGEE FUNDRAISER UPDATE**

Yes we did it, musicians and singers from Holy Cross, Kingswood, Langley and Otham churches provided 6 hours of continuous modern worship on the hottest day of the year. Thank you to all those that participated and supported this event.

£505 was raised which will be sent to the Christian Aid Ukraine appeal.

You can still donate by cheque or bank transfer, details as follows:

**Cheque** - Holy Cross Bearsted PCC. Add 'UKRAINE' to the back of the cheque.

**Bank transfer**- Holy Cross Bearsted PCC. 40-52-40. Account number 00020328  
Your reference 'UKRAINE'

### **4. UPDATE FROM CATHRINE FROM LAMBETH CONFERENCE**

Thank you all for your prayers. Lambeth conference has been going well. (Just a brief update in Italics)

*It is been so much joy to meet many Christian brothers and sisters from across the world. My highlights so far are;*

*The opening service at Canterbury Cathedral was a joyful occasion with music drawn from different traditions. The readings and prayers were said in various languages. You can catch up on <https://youtu.be/RcX4jxvQP7c>*

*Chairing a seminar discussing the importance of young people's ministerial formation in the life of the church. You can read some of the conversations on, <https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2022/07/30/young-leaders-talk-challenges-importance-of-youth-ministry-at-lambeth-seminar-with-presiding-bishop/?fbclid=IwAR2SNPq72OdczUsj4BfbVPOzPOocMLroe6oZ6IDyeAUOyqrPZSYLWs7Z0U>.*

*It was preaching to myself and a challenge to rethink about my engagement with young people around me.*

*I have had the privilege of chairing a plenary session on Reconciliation, an important theme in my personal ministry. The plenary contributors were the internal Archbishop of Mozambique, Maori Bishop from Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, Bishop of Amristar North India, and World Wide Mother's Union President. You can watch it on [https://youtu.be/ry\\_zzCFCerw](https://youtu.be/ry_zzCFCerw)*

### **5. HOLY CROSS PILGRIMAGE 2023**

As alternative act of fellowship and worship it is proposed that we travel between the cathedrals of Winchester and Salisbury, a distance of 26 miles.

The aim would be to make the experience accessible to as many members of our church family as possible and therefore anticipate at least three types of participation:

1. Walkers – walk an averaging 8.3 miles a day
2. Support Group - would transport walkers to and from overnight accommodation and helping to arrange midday picnic.
3. Drivers and Passengers – touring the area and joining the rest of the group for meals and overnight accommodation.

It is envisaged that the pilgrimage would take five days:

Day 1 - travel from Bearsted to Winchester, walkers have the option to travel by train via London Waterloo. Includes visiting cathedral.

Day 2 to 4 -. Support Group driving walkers between overnight accommodation at start and end of each leg of the days walk, plus meeting for midday picnic. Drivers exploring area with suggested itinerary to visit places of worship and interest.

Day 5 – arrive at Salisbury Cathedral, possibility for some form of special service or joint celebration and return journey home by car or train.

Overnight accommodation would be at a Premier Inn, or a similar chain, at Winchester and Salisbury with the Support Group transporting walker's luggage at hotel changeover. It is suggested that we plan for May or early June 2023 spread over a long weekend so that those in work are more able to be included. Further details will be provided at Sundays service.

## **6. NEW WAY EVENING SERVICES**

For those attending either or both of the New Way evening services, starting at 6pm on 7th and 28th August, are invited to join the bring and share finger supper following each service. You are kindly asked to bring either a savoury or sweet finger buffet dish (to serve approx. 6). Please also bring own liquid refreshments. Plate and napkin will be provided.

## **7. CREAM TEA**

Following the success of our cream tea last year, the Ladies Group are hosting another event in central Bearsted on Saturday 3 September from 2-4 pm. It will be in aid of the Bana Besu feeding project in Zambia. Tickets cost £7 and will include scones, cake and a free glass of Prosecco (takeaway if wet). Tickets are available from: [julie.pennells@hotmail.co.uk/mob](mailto:julie.pennells@hotmail.co.uk/mob) 07702 954832. As food prices increase not only here but abroad, it makes it even harder for Mutinta and her team in Zambia to make ends meet and decide which orphan can have a meal and which one can't. We would, therefore, be so grateful for your support to raise much needed funds to support this project in Zambia.

### *A Prayer for East Africa*

Loving and compassionate God,  
When famine stalks the land, nothing grows.  
Plants cannot, people cannot, ideas and dreams  
cannot.  
Everything withers and dies.  
It is a violent aberration of your will for the world  
And it is multiplied now  
By conflict, climate change and Covid.  
God of the flourishing field, there is enough to  
feed us all.  
Call us to that sacred sharing  
Neighbour to global neighbour  
Your gifts of food, water,  
A chance to live the life so delicately crafted  
By your divine spirit.  
We will not turn away but turn towards each other  
With generosity and a justice-driven compassion  
That searches for solutions.  
Famine stalks the land, so may our outrage grow,  
May our determination steel itself,  
May our solidarity spur us into action.  
God of the flourishing field,  
Help us feed each other.  
Amen