

Welcome to the March edition of **Grapevine**, the monthly e-bulletin for clergy and parish teams, put together by [comms@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:comms@cofeguildford.org.uk).

## Thy Kingdom Come 2018



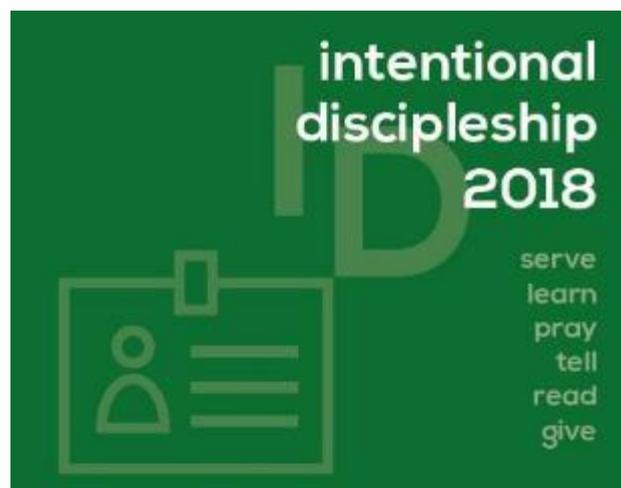
*Thy Kingdom Come* is back and promises to be bigger than ever. Hundreds of thousands participated in the global wave of prayer last year – growing hugely from the year before, three quarters of those who took part last year hadn't the year before.

This year there are lots of resources available and events planned in the local area as we join in with the prayer 'Thy Kingdom Come'.

On Sunday 20 May from 16:00 we will once again be gathering at Guildford Cathedral as a community in Christ for worship and prayer. Hope to see you there.

There are also opportunities to prepare for *Thy Kingdom Come* as a church, group or individual with [training](#) and [resources](#) available.

## Intentional Discipleship 2018



The call of Jesus to 'follow me' is a lifelong journey. But because life can often get in the way, it's also a call to daily response, daily transformation into God's glorious image, as the Apostle Paul puts it. A call to intentional discipleship.

The vision of the Diocese, laid out in the *Transforming Church, Transforming Lives* strategy, is for a community committed to lifelong learning with its members equipped to 'love and serve the Lord' in their neighbourhood, workplace, home, school and elsewhere.

**Intentional Discipleship** features a programme of important and engaging events throughout 2018, designed to help support and grow in personal discipleship. Details, booking information and resources from the Intentional Discipleship 2018 programme are available [from the Diocese of Guildford website](#).

## Coming Soon... Living Church Magazine

The communications team is delighted to announce the imminent arrival of the Diocese of Guildford's new printed publication – *Living Church*. Full of interesting features *Living Church* will be pitched so that anyone picking up the magazine will be able to relate to it and is designed to provoke and inspire readers towards a stronger faith and discipleship journey.

The first issue of *Living Church* will be in churches from 19 March and will include a feature on pilgrimage. If you have any upcoming pilgrimages you'd like to advertise please email [livingchurch@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:livingchurch@cofeguildford.org.uk) with the key details (name, contact information, destination and website link) before Thursday 15 March.

Follow us on Twitter @LivingChurchMag

All the latest news stories from around the Diocese of Guildford are [live on our website](#).

## YMCA Guildford Sleep Out Challenge

**One night to make a lifetime of difference in Guildford.**

Sleep Easy 2018 are looking for over 150 people to stand with them (well sleep!) outside on the night of Friday 16 March. So far there are: **28 people signed up for Guildford!**

It won't be warm and it won't be comfortable, but we know that the money we raise will make a huge difference to many young people.

All money raised through Sleep Easy 2018 will help young people change their lives.

The YMCA provides much more than just a place to sleep. It offers support and opportunities so that the young people can achieve their full potential, aiming for young people to feel that they belong, contribute and thrive.

[More information.](#)



### Ring Out for Armistice

Church bell ringers around Britain are invited to join a major event later this year to commemorate the centenary of the end of World War 1.

The commemoration, organised by Battle's Over, seeks more than 1,000 churches ringing their bells simultaneously at 7.05pm on the night of November 11th 2018. [More information.](#)

All upcoming events for the Diocese of Guildford are available in the events section on our website – [visit it regularly](#) to stay up to date. Some of our featured events are included below.

### Staying in touch

There's a lot more happening around the diocese than we can fit into *Grapevine* so visit our [website](#) for all the latest stories.

If you want help publicising a news story or event please get in touch at [comms@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:comms@cofeguildford.org.uk).

## Hearing Children's Voices



How can we best include children in our decision making at church? Join this opportunity to consider and reflect.

Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Rd, GU2 7YF

Thursday 8 March 10:00 – 12:00

To book please email [pdet.admin@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:pdet.admin@cofeguildford.org.uk)

## Managing Change in the Local Church

Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Rd, GU2 7YF

Tuesday 13 March 14:00 – 16:00

Have a vision for your church? Wondering how best to manage the change? This training session for anyone in church leadership will help you ensure you take the people along with you.

To book please email [pdet.admin@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:pdet.admin@cofeguildford.org.uk)



## Where Adventure Begins – Faith in the Family



Where Adventure Begins is a performance which looks at why it is important that we pass on our faith to the next generation.

The performance will help us engage with two very important questions: why do we pass our faith on to our children and how do we do it? The performance is funny, engaging and extremely motivating!

Monday 5 March 19:30

St Saviour's Church, Woodbridge Road, Guildford GU1 4QD

[Watch the trailer.](#)

Tickets are £8 – [book your place.](#)

## Thy Kingdom Come Resource Week

Come along to the Church House Resource Centre for all your Thy Kingdom Come and Pentecost resources:

Service ideas, All age services, Dramas, Church Schools, Children and youth.

**No need to book, just show up!**

Monday 5 March – Friday 9 March

Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Rd, GU2 7YF



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## Updates from Guildford Cathedral

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### Coffee Concert

On Thursday 15th March, Leigh Parsons will join to sing songs from the musicals. Leigh is a singer and has been singing from a very early age – after watching her first musical she fell in love with singing and performing on stage.

Coffee is served from 10.30, with the concert starting at 11.00 and finishing at 12.00.



A concert poster for the Wimbledon Choral Society. The background is a landscape with a green field in the foreground and a sunset sky in shades of orange and yellow. The text on the poster reads: 'WIMBLEDON CHORAL SOCIETY', 'We are the music makers And we are the dreamers of dreams', 'Dvořák Te Deum', 'Symphony no. 8 in G Major, op. 88', 'Elgar The Music Makers', 'WITH ORCHESTRA VITAE', 'JOSAPPA TOWNSEND (SOPRANO)', 'BETH MOXON (MEZZO SOPRANO)', 'RICHARD WIRGOLD (BASS)', 'SATURDAY 7TH APRIL 2018 7.30PM', 'GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL', 'STAG HILL, GUILDFORD GU2 7UP', 'Tickets from £20, children &amp; students £10', 'Tickets available from: Guildford Tourist Information Centre, 155 High Street GU1 3AJ', 'Tel: 01483 444334', 'www.visitguildford.com', 'Or from: www.wimbledon-choral.org.uk/tickets'. There are also social media icons for Twitter and Facebook.

### Guided Tours

Guided tours of Guildford Cathedral are now back up and running on Thursdays!

Join our expert Guides and explore Guildford Cathedral, The People's Cathedral, an iconic Grade II listed building, designed and built by Sir Edward Maufe.

The tour lasts approximately an hour and is charged at £4 per person; tickets are available from the Cathedral Shop.



### BBC Singers at Guildford Cathedral

Join Barry Rose as he celebrates his 60th anniversary of working with the BBC Singers by conducting a special performance of Stainer's The Crucifixion, an oratorio considered to be one of the cornerstones of Victorian choral music.

Coming together in the striking setting of Guildford Cathedral - the cathedral for which Barry founded the cathedral choir in 1961 - soloists Peter Auty and Jeremy Carpenter are former choristers who have sung under Barry at Guildford and St Paul's Cathedrals, returning to sing alongside current choristers and the BBC Singers.

Sunday 25 March – 19:00

Tickets are free of charge but places are limited and must be [booked in advance](#).



## Eco Church



We have nine awarded eco churches in the diocese. Come for inspiration and practical tips about the scheme from Bishop Andrew and Rev'd Lesley Crawley.

This morning will give you the opportunity to find out more about the Eco Church scheme and hear from people who have got their churches involved and people who would like to.

It's a chance to share successes and difficulties and meet up with others who want to help the Church care for the environment.

Saturday 17 March – 10:30 – 12:30

St Nicolas Church, Bury Street, Guildford, GU2 4AW

[More information and book your place.](#)

## Social Media Training



Open to all involved in their churches social media accounts and websites this training will cover:

- The latest developments in social media and look at how churches might engage with this opportunity to reach existing and new audiences.
- An Introduction to the relaunched A Church Near You and how to write engaging content for an online audience.

Wednesday 21 March – 9:00 – 16:00

Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Road, GU2 7YF

[Book your place.](#)

## Weekend of Invitation

Friday 15 – Sunday 17 June

One weekend. Multitudes of personal invitations to those outside our churches. All with a simple request to please 'Be our guest'.



Beyond our churches, almost 3 million people are open to being invited. Ready to receive an invitation to church or a suitable event. Join us in offering a welcome to those who may just have been waiting to be invited.

Simple? Yes. And it is something every church can be part of.

Resources and ideas available from [weekendofinvitation.com](http://weekendofinvitation.com)

## GDPR Resources



As we continue to build on the resources available to Parishes for GDPR we have created a [dedicated GDPR page on our website](#) which will be updated regularly with new information as it becomes available.

We are also arranging a number of GDPR workshops for Parishes across the Diocese coming up in March. Further details will be published on our website soon and an email will go out to key parish representatives.

## Commonwealth Big Lunch

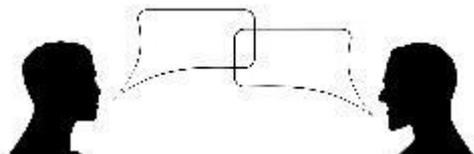
Bring people together to celebrate community and build connections across the Commonwealth from Monday 12 March – Sunday 22 April 2018.

Churches are invited to celebrate being part of the Commonwealth by hosting a Commonwealth Big Lunch, to bring people together for food, friendship and fun!

During this time the UK will host the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, a summit focused on creating a better future for people across the Commonwealth with leaders from all 53 nations expected to take part. [More information & Resources.](#)



## Hearing Champions Network Meeting



An opportunity to network with other parish hearing champions over coffee, learn about the latest hearing aids and the missional development of hearing aid clinics.

Featuring a presentation from Phonak about the new hearing aids (issued by NHS audiology in Guildford, Chertsey, Ashford and Frimley hospitals) and a review of the maintenance process for the new open-fit Phonak models.

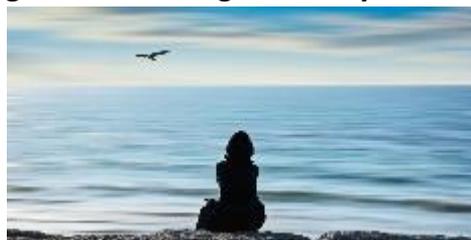
The closing presentation, led by Alan Hulme, will be looking at how this practical ministry can be developed and how you can encourage clinic visitors to other parish activities.

Monday 19 March – 10:00 – 12:30

St Andrew's Church, Goldsworth Park, Woking, GU21 3LG

[Book your place.](#)

## Running and Resourcing Quiet Days and Retreats



Ever wondered how to run a quiet day? Come along to 'running and resourcing quiet days', a training day packed full of practical information and ideas, featuring a range of experienced retreat leaders.

Open to all this day will particularly suit people who want to learn how to or develop their ability to run quiet days or want to encourage their church to have a go at quiet days and retreats.

Sat 9 June 2018 10:00 – 15:00

Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Rd, GU2 7YF

[Book your place.](#)

# It's Your Call

*"Be who God Created you to be and set the world on fire"*

St Mary's Church Hall, Stoke D'Abernon, KT11 2PX

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018 from 10am-1pm

Do you have a sense that God might be calling you?

Come, ask questions and find out more

- hear clergy and lay people tell their stories
- find out about ministry in all shapes and sizes, lay and ordained
- a chance for conversations to seek God's purposes for you

Book a place at [cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events](http://cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events)

Further information from [glynis.beazley@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:glynis.beazley@cofeguildford.org.uk)



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# CRACKING YOUTHWORK

Cracking Youthwork is back and exploring the theme of 'What's Changed?' All speakers are taking the same topic, to give us a fascinating insight from different viewpoints. They may disagree. They will challenge and encourage. They will be informative, practical and down to earth AND they will each all do it in 10 minutes.

Cracking Youthwork is aimed at anyone involved in youthwork in Guildford Diocese, from those with 40 minutes experience to those with 40 years or more. From employed, volunteers, helpers, leaders to those 'just interested', all are welcome!

If you book in advance tickets are just £5 or £10 for a group ticket (up to 10 people!)  
Entry includes unlimited tea/coffee/pastries/muffins.

**Saturday 10 March from 9:30 – 13:00**  
**St John's Stoke Guildford, Stoke Road, Guildford, GU1 1HB**

[Book your place.](#)

## What Makes a Brilliant Primary School Assembly?



A training session for Christians who lead primary school assemblies – whether you're a member of church staff, a volunteer or part of an assembly team.

The training will cover worship in a school setting, the contribution that can be made by Christian visitors, what visitors leading assembly should avoid and resources and ideas for collective worship with primary aged children.

**Thursday 10 May 10:00 – 12:30**  
**Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Rd, GU2 7YF**

To book please email [jane.whittington@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:jane.whittington@cofeguildford.org.uk)

## Religious Education in Primary Schools – Clergy Briefing

A session briefing intended for clergy who have a primary school in their parish.

The session will cover the new Surrey Agreed Syllabus for Religious education – giving clergy an overview of how the syllabus has been created and highlight opportunities for clergy to contribute to the primary Religious Education curriculum.

It will also enable participants to consider the best ways to partner with the schools they serve in the delivery of Religious Education.

**Thursday 17 May 14:00 – 16:00**  
**Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Rd, GU2 7YF**

To book please email  
[jane.whittington@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:jane.whittington@cofeguildford.org.uk)



## Walking with d-o-G Backwards! Clergy Reflective Walk



All members of clergy in the Diocese of Guildford are invited to join Bishop Jo Bailey Wells for a reflective walk and pub lunch.

We shall be stopping along the way as Bishop Jo will be leading reflections on the theme of 'Walking with d-o-G – backwards'.

This is a moderate walk of about 8 miles with some inclines but not very steep – walking boots are a must and waterproofs if wet. It can be very muddy and slippery if wet so walking poles would be a helpful addition.

[Book your place.](#)

## PREACH!

A two day course for 16 – 25 year olds that explores and develops the art and skill of preaching.

Come and explore ways in which Christians can share the Gospel and try out and improve your public speaking skills.

[Read the blog](#) by Daniel Taylor, who attended last year's PREACH course, and [watch](#) the video wrap up.



**9 – 10 April from 10:00 – 16:00**

**St Nicolas' Church, Bury St, Guildford. GU2 4AW**

[Book your place.](#)

## Vocations Day of Prayer

Guildford Cathedral



**Saturday 21 April - 8:00 - 20:00**

The day before Vocations Sunday we invite you to come and pray:

- for all those who are called to ministry
- for your own sense of call
- for those you will encourage

Drop in and spend time in the presence of God in prayer, meditation and worship.

Resources for Vocations Sunday will be available.



## Practical Aspects of Christian Spirituality - Pilgrimage

Revd Canon Andrew Wheeler will be speaking on the topic of 'Pilgrimage: Journey to the Heart'.

We will be exploring pilgrimages from different perspectives from the micro where one hour or half a day could be turned into a pilgrimage to the macro where our whole life could be a pilgrimage, a framework for our lives, pointing towards God.

**Saturday 17 March  
09:30 – 12:30**

**St Mary's Church,  
Quarry Street,  
Guildford,  
GU1 3UA**

[More information.](#)



## Hear Here Training

**1 in 6 people** have a hearing loss in our Diocese.

With an increasing older population and longer life expectancy our church buildings need to be able to welcome and accommodate those with sensory loss to aid communication.

### We are looking for volunteers to:

- Be trained in the basic maintenance of hearing aids to become 'Hearing Champions'
- Offer these simple maintenance sessions at existing church social events e.g. coffee mornings, lunches, afternoon teas.

A number of training sessions are available to attend across the diocese with sessions in [April](#), [May](#), [July](#), [September](#) and [October](#) – book your place now.

[Watch a video](#) about the impact of the Hear here project.

## St Columba's Retreat

The Association for Promoting Retreats' Autumn Retreat.



### 'Take off your shoes' Exodus 3:5

Led by Rt Revd John Stroyan, Bishop of Warwick, this is an opportunity to turn aside and look - and to see that the ground on which we stand is holy.

To be reminded that the holy ground of God is deep within each one of us and a time set apart for God is to help us (re)discover his love for us and his presence with and within each one of us.

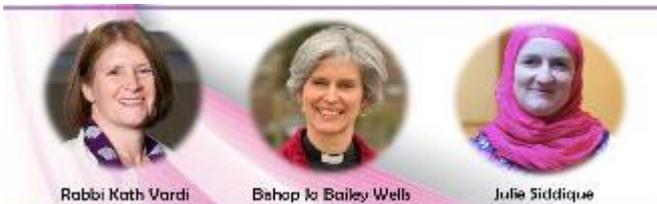
**Tuesday 6 – Thursday 8 November**

**St Columba's House, Maybury Hill, Woking, GU22 8AB**

[Book your place.](#)

## Do Women Have a Role in Leading Religion?

Open to all, this event will explore the important topic of gender in the leadership of religion with perspectives from three prominent leaders followed by Q&A from the public.



Rabbi Kathi Vardi

Bishop Jo Bailey Wells

Julie Siddique

From 18:30 there will be an opportunity for a guided tour around St Mary's, the oldest church in Surrey.

Free to attend – places should be booked in advance.

**Tuesday 1 May 19:00**

**St Mary's Church Hall, Stoke Rd, Stoke D'Abernon, Cobham, KT11 3PX**

[Book your place.](#)

## Calling All Cricketers

Consider yourself a regular Joe Root? A James Anderson in the making? Come and join the diocesan cricket team!

Most matches, friendlies and the Church Times Cup, are played on Monday afternoons until early July.

Players need to be ordained, licensed or in full time Christian Work.

If you would like to be a member of the team, please contact the secretary:

**Revd George Newton:**  
01252 320618  
[g@gj.sk.prestel.co.uk](mailto:g@gj.sk.prestel.co.uk)



## ***Good people wanted – great opportunities***

For all the latest clergy and non-clergy vacancies in the Diocese of Guildford, please visit [our vacancies page](#). You'll also find [Church of England job opportunities on the national website](#).



### [Director of Music – St Nicholas Church, Shepperton](#)

Closing Date: 30 April

St Nicholas Church, Shepperton, seeks a Director of Music, with organist skills, able to lead Christian worship sympathetically and with a familiarity with Anglican traditions.

### [Organist and Choir Director – St Mary's, Cuddington](#)

The Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin, Cuddington, in Worcester Park is seeking to appoint an Organist and Choir Director.

### [Children and Families Minister – Holy Trinity Church, Aldershot](#)

Closing Date: 9 March

Are you the enthusiastic leader who will build on this vision, working alongside us to encourage, equip and empower our volunteer teams?

### [Guildford Christians Against Poverty Job Club Manager](#)

Closing Date: 9 March

Could you commit to 6-8 hours per week to help people get back into work? No previous experience is required and training would be provided.

