

Friday 29 September - Sunday 1 October

SOUTHSEA, St Jude's Church, Kent Road (Friday: 12noon-5pm; Saturday: 10am-5pm, 7.30pm-9.30pm and Sunday: 10.30am): *'The Event': Flower festival, concert and craft fair.* Floral carpet (45ft long) and displays in nave, plus refreshments, art and craft, home-grown produce, children's activities, Christian flag workshop, prayer and ministry. Entrance: £3/£2 (children free). Includes **(Saturday, 1pm): Children's concert;** **(Saturday, 7.30pm): Evening choral concert.** Show-stopper and music from the musicals. Entrance £5; **(Sunday, 10.30am): Harvest Festival service.** Details: 023-9275 0442 or see: www.stjudes-southsea.org.uk

Sunday 1 October

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (8am, 9.30am, 11am & 6pm): *Harvest Festival.* **GOSPORT, St John's Church, Forton Road (9.45am):** *Procession from St Vincent College.* With the HMS St Vincent Association and Brighton Sea Cadets Marching Band; **(10am): Concelebrated Festival Mass.** Preacher: the Ven John Green, chaplain of the fleet, with brass quintet from HMS Sultan Volunteer Band. Followed by champagne reception; **(6pm): Solemn Vespers and Benediction.** Preacher: Fr Peter Wadsworth, vicar of St Saviour's, St Albans. All events to celebrate church's centenary. **PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (6pm):** *Parish harvest supper.*

Monday 2 October

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (7.30pm): *Mass and meditation.*

Tuesday 3 October

LISS, St Mary's church hall (7.30pm-9pm): *Christian behaviour in a multi-cultural society.* Diocesan further education adviser Gareth Denby explores advice given by Paul to the Corinthians and its value to us. Continues on **October 10 and October 17.**

Wednesday 4 October

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (12noon): *Mass and charity lunch.*

Friday 6 October

PORTSMOUTH, St Faith's Church, Crasswell Street, Landport (7.30pm): *Patronal mass.*

Saturday 7 October

PURBROOK, The Rowans Hospice, Purbrook Heath Road (11am-3pm): *Open day.* Includes tour of hospice, chance to meet staff and volunteers, displays and refreshments. Coincides with World Hospice and Palliative Care Day. **PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (5pm):** *Evensong with members of Old Choristers' Association and Friends of Cathedral Music.* **CATHERINGTON, All Saints Church, Catherington Lane (7.30pm):** *The Highbury Area Band in concert.* This talented youth wind band present show-stoppers, popular music, marches and classical pieces. Tickets: £7, £3 (under-16s), available on 023-9242 0984.

Sunday 8 October

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (10am): *Sung mass. (11.30am-3pm): Book signing.* The Rev Christopher Dobb signs copies of his book: *Freddy Temple: A Portrait.* **PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (11.30am):** *Royal Marine Bands' Memorial Service.*

Wednesday 11 October

SHEET, St Mary Magdalen (8pm-

9pm): *Open Book.* The origins of the Bible and how we should read it, in the light of challenges from *The Da Vinci Code.* Led by the Rev Rob Dewing. This session: 'How the Bible came to us'. Continues on **November 8 and December 6.**

Thursday 12 October

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (7.30pm): *Concert.* By the Band of Her Majesty's Royal Marines, Portsmouth, and the Royal Marines School of Music. Tickets: £6, £5 (concs) or £3 (children). **PORTSMOUTH, St Wilfrid's Church, George Street, Buckland (7.30pm):** *Patronal mass.*

Thursday 12 October - Saturday 14 October

GUILDFORD, Wintershall Estate, Bramley (Thursday & Friday: 7.30pm, Saturday: 2.30pm & 7.30pm): *The Acts of the Apostles.* The story of how Christ's word was spread across the world. Tickets: £16 (children/students: £8), available on 01483-892167.



Steph Mekwuye (October 16)

Friday 13 October - Sunday 15 October

COWPLAIN, St Wilfrid's Church, Padnell Road (Friday: 2pm-5pm; Saturday: 10am-5pm; Sunday: 10.30am-2pm): *Art exhibition;* **(Friday: 6.30pm):** *Fun, bangers and bands for young people;* **(Saturday, 10am):** *Morning workshops;* **(Saturday, 2.30pm):** *The Big Paint;* **(Saturday 7.30pm):** *Langstone Big Band in concert;* **(Sunday, 2.30pm):** *Paint the Psalms;* **(Sunday, 6.30pm):** *Music, readings and worship.* Events to celebrate patronal festival weekend. See page 4 for details.

Saturday 14 October

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Grammar School, High Street (9.30am-1pm): *Introduction to youth work and ministry.* Diocesan training session. Features Phil Greig, Tim Sudworth and Ben Mizen. Cost: £6.50. Contact: Kay Lancaster on 023-9289 9656 or kay.lancaster@portsmouth.anglican.org **SOUTHSEA, House of Bethany, 7 Nelson Road (10am-4pm):** *Quiet day.* Conductor: Sister Mary Joy SSB. Please bring a packed lunch, drinks and tea provided. Please let the Sisters know if you want to attend on 023-9283 3498 or ssb@sistersofbethany.org.uk **PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth**

situations vacant

DIocese: The dioceses of Chichester, Portsmouth, Guildford and Winchester seek a regional head of IT systems to enable more effective and efficient development and management of IT systems within and between the four dioceses.

The successful candidate will have a track record of working effectively in IT, in a technical and a strategic capacity, with management responsibility and experience in project management and budget control. Knowledge of server

operating systems, workstation software and local and wide area networks, messenger systems and databases is also essential. The person will possess excellent communication skills, have the ability to prioritise and hold a UK driving licence.

Salary: £36-£40,000 and pension. Application pack available from Rebecca Williams on 023-9289 9660 or rebecca.williams@portsmouth.anglican.org. Applications to be received by October 2.

BISHOP'S WALTHAM DEANERY AUTUMN LECTURES

The theme of this year's lectures is the life of the Church in town and country. They take place in the Paterson Centre, Swanmore, at 7.15pm for 7.30pm on Tuesdays.

Tuesday 3 October

'Faith and Democracy: the Church and politics today' by Prebendary Andy Windross, a Hackney priest, local councillor and chair of a hospital trust.

Tuesday 10 October

'Christ in the 19th century city and country' by Professor Michael Wheeler, a lay canon of Winchester Cathedral, author and former professor of English literature.

Tuesday 17 October

'The Church and the countryside' by Canon Dr Jean Coates, the Salisbury diocesan rural and environmental officer for Dorset. She trained as a biological scientist.

Cathedral, High Street (5pm): *Royal School of Church Music Choir Festival.* Based on the Week of Prayer for World Peace.

LIPHOOK, Liphook Church Centre, Portsmouth Road (7.30pm): *Pipe Dreams.* Staged by Riding Lights Theatre Company. Hilarious whodunnit about what's going on with our water. In support of UK charity WaterAid. Tickets: £9, £6 (concs), £5.50 (groups of 10+). Box office: 01904-613000.

FAREHAM, Ferneham Hall, Osborn Road (7.30pm): *Handel's Messiah.* Performed by the Fareham Philharmonic Choir, with orchestra and soloists. Tickets: £10.50, £9 (concs) and £2 (under-16s), from 01329-318731 or 01329-664948.

BOTLEY, All Saints Church (7.30pm): *Come and sing show songs.* To support Friends of All Saints Botley. Tickets: £5 (under-14s: £1) available on 01489-782445, 01489-789738 or 01489-786850.

Sunday 15 October

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (11.15am): *Seafarers' service;* **(3pm):** *Lions International service of dedication.*

PORTCHESTER, St Mary's Church (2.30pm): *Concert.* By the Vilensky String Quartet. Afternoon tea provided. Tickets: £7 (including refreshments), in aid of St Mary's restoration appeal.

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (3.30pm): *Choral Evensong.* Sung by the full choir.

FAREHAM, Holy Trinity Church, West Street (6pm): *Concert.* By Portsmouth Cathedral Choir. Admission free.

Monday 16 October

PORTSMOUTH, 'Lux' nightclub, Portsmouth students' union, Cambridge Road, (7.30pm): *One World fashion show.* International model Steph Mekwuye and others wear the latest in Fairtrade clothing. Opened by Harriet Lamb, executive director of the Fairtrade Foundation. After-show entertainment by DJ Albino Monkey. Tickets: £6 (includes glass of Fairtrade wine) from 023-9284 3640 or ftfashionshow@hotmail.co.uk.

Tuesday 24 October

'A Deafening Peace: RS Thomas, the faith of a country priest' by the Very Rev Nick Bury, dean of Gloucester Cathedral.

Tuesday 31 October

'From the Seychelles to Hackney: a personal story' by the Rev Rosemia Brown, vicar of St James'. Clapton. She will come fresh from having led a pilgrimage in the Sinai desert.

Tuesday 7 November

'Christ and Cosmopolitan Witness' by Canon Jane Hedges. She was a residential canon at our cathedral, and was installed as the first woman Canon of Westminster Abbey earlier this year.

Tuesday 17 October

SHEDFIELD, St John the Baptist church hall, Church Road (6.15pm-9pm): *Training for churchwardens.* Includes information on legal framework, areas of responsibility, buildings and people. Cost: £4. Contact: Kay Lancaster (023-9289 9656 or kay.lancaster@portsmouth.anglican.org)

Wednesday 18 October

GREATHAM, St John the Baptist (8pm): *Workshop on rural affairs.* Led by the Rev David Heatley, diocesan adviser on rural affairs (mainland). Preceded by Communion at 7.30pm.

Friday 20 November

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (7.30pm): *Concert.* Music in the Round, by the Vanbrugh Quartet.

Saturday 21 October

PORTSMOUTH, Cosham Baptist Church, Havant Road, Cosham (10am-4pm): *Bridging the Gap.* Get the tools to evangelise to those over 55 with the good news of Jesus. Speakers include: Julie Anderson (Prayer for the Nations) and the Very Rev David Brindley (dean of Portsmouth Cathedral). Cost: £10. Details: www.theway.co.uk/bridgingthegap

Tuesday 24 October or Saturday 28 October

SOUTHSEA, Sisters of Bethany, 7 Nelson Road (9.15am-5.30pm): *Experience life in our convent.* Join the Sisters for the day, or part of the day. Timetable includes Terce, Mass, a talk on aspects of religious life, lunch, Vespers and Compline. Donations in aid of Portsmouth Cathedral fundraising appeal. Please let the Sisters know if you want to attend on 023-9283 3498 or ssb@sistersofbethany.org.uk

Thursday 26 October

PORTSMOUTH, Milan Mandarin Suite, Fratton Park (11.30am-1.30pm): *Birthday celebrations for city's ecumenical website.* See page 1 for details.

Friday 27 October

PORTSMOUTH, Buckland Community Centre, Malins Road (7.30pm): *Tri-namic.* Local bands IsThisOn, Young Once and 6-foot-4-11-and-a-half raise money for the Rowans Hospice. Tickets: £3.50, £6.50 (VIP ticket) available on 07717-203136. See page 4 for details.

Saturday 28 October

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (10am): *Autumn fair.* **PORTSMOUTH, St James's Church, Milton (10.30am-12noon):** *The Benedictine Life.* Talk by the Rt Rev Dom Timothy Bavin, former Bishop of Portsmouth. Coffee from 10am; **(12noon)** *Eucharist.* Followed by light lunch. Cost £3. Ring 023-9269 1372 or 01329 232880 to book a place.

FAREHAM, St Peter and St Paul Church, Osborn Road (7.30pm): *From Russia With Love.* Sacred and secular music from Russia, presented by the Renaissance Choir. Includes Rachmaninov, Gretchaninov and other choral and organ works. Tickets: £8, £6 (concs) and £2 (students) available on 023-9278 9546. See: www.renaissancechoir.org.uk

Saturday 28 October - Sunday 19 November

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (9am-6pm): *Exhibition by Art and Sacred Places inter-faith project.* Includes discussion to be chaired by the dean on **November 1.**

Sunday 29 October

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (10am): *Mass sung by the choir of St Peter's, Streatham.* **PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (3pm):** *The Rowans Hospice service.*

● *Would you like your church's events for November listed here and on our website? Send details to: Pompey Chimes, Diocese of Portsmouth, First Floor, Peninsular House, Wharf Road, Portsmouth, PO2 8HB or to neil.pugmire@portsmouth.anglican.org by October 9.*

wanted

EMPSHOTT: Holy Rood Church in Empshott, in the Petersfield deanery, desperately need a replacement green altar cloth. Can you help? Contact John Gibbon on 01420-538423 or john@hawkley.force9.co.uk

announcements

Appointments:

Canon Michael Cooper, vicar of St Mary's, Portchester, to become honorary Canon Emeritus of Portsmouth Cathedral following his retirement.

The Rev John Draper, rector of St Mary, Rowner, and St Matthew, Bridgemary, was licensed as associate rural dean of Gosport on September 5.

Canon David Isaac has resigned as director of education and will now be head of Mission and Discipleship section.

The Rev Tim Jessiman, priest-in-charge of Hart Plain Church, was installed as vicar of Hart Plain Church on July 14.

The Rev Peter Sutton, vicar, St Faith's, Lee-on-the-Solent, was licensed as rural

dean of Gosport on September 5. **The Rev Nick Ralph** has resigned as social responsibility adviser to be head of Mission and Society section.

Resignation:

The Rev Mark Hill-Tout has resigned from his post as vicar of St Peter and St Paul, Wymering. His last service was August 27.

Departure:

Canon John Byrne, vicar of St Jude's, Southsea, to become vicar of All Saints, Branksome Park (Salisbury diocese) and Canon Emeritus of Portsmouth Cathedral.