

**Tuesday 18 April -**

**Friday 19 May**

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (9am-6pm daily): *Exhibition of new sculpture 'Family Tree' by Rafael Klein.* Touring exhibition of sculpture and graphic work by internationally-renowned American artist Rafael Klein. See page 3 for details.

**Monday 1 May**

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (10am-4pm): *May Fayre.* Celebration of Fratton life, with 10,000 visitors, real ale tent, arena displays, bouncy castles, bands, funfair rides and more than 100 stalls. To book a display space, ring 023-9281 4444.

**Tuesday 2 May**

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (7pm): *Artist Rafael Klein in conversation with the Dean of Portsmouth.* See page 3 for details.

**Wednesday 3 May**

EMSWORTH, St James Church (7.30pm): *Public meeting.* Members of the local community are invited to help the parish consider what qualities they'll be looking for in their new vicar.

**Thursday 4 May**

RYDE, All Saints Church (3pm): *Thanksgiving service to mark 35 years of the Earl Mountbatten Hospice.* See page 2 for details.

**Friday 5 May**

SHANKLIN, St Saviour-on-the-cliff, Queens Road (4pm-6pm): *Table-top sale.* Tables: £5. Parking and refreshments. Details: 01983-863797.

**Saturday 6 May**

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (9.30am): *Learning to Lament.* Spirituality day, led by the Rev Amanda Bloor, vicar of Holy Trinity, Bembidge.  
ALTON, Alton Abbey (7.30pm): *An evening with Rudyard Kipling by Philip Geddes and friends.* The story of Kipling's life, with readings of his poetry and prose. Tickets: £15, including wine, soft drinks and refreshments. Details: 01428-712938 or friendsofaltonabbey@gmail.com.  
SOUTHSEA, Church of the Holy Spirit (7.30pm): *Concert by the University of Chichester Chamber Choir.* Directed by Arthur Robson. Programme largely of German Romantic choral music.

**Sunday 7 May**

VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Solemn sung mass.*  
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (10.30am): *Eucharist; (6pm): Evensong.* With presentations of the St Thomas Award, followed by reception. See page 3 for details.  
CROOKHORN, Church of the Good Shepherd (6.30pm): *Portsmouth New Wine Network celebration.*  
HAWKLEY, St Peter and St Paul's Church (7pm): *From Mozart to Modern.* Music recital to launch project to make the church more welcoming. See page 4 for details.

**Monday 8 May**

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (10.30am): *Legal service.*

**Wednesday 10 May**

PORTSMOUTH, Church of the Resurrection hall, Drayton (2pm-4pm): *Care and fellowship group.*

**Friday 12 May -**

**Sunday 14 May**

SHANKLIN, St Blasius Church (10am-4pm): *Flower festival.* Theme: Gifts from God. Plenty of flower arrangements, including amazing rhododendrons. Plus

**Pianist celebrates 60th birthday**

HE'LL be celebrating his 60th birthday with an evening of music and poetry.

Pianist Charles Timberlake will mark the milestone with a special concert at St Peter's Church in Titchfield on June 3.

It will involve a trip down memory lane as he performs medleys from 1957 onwards, including

songs from the 60s, 70s and 80s. They'll also be time for some of his own compositions and a time of worship accompanied by the music group from Shoreline Church, Stubbington.

Other guests includes the poet Samantha Wynne-Rhydderch, who will read some of her work.

The evening aims to raise funds for the Friends

of St Peter's Church, who help to maintain the building.

It starts at 7.30pm and tickets are priced at £12, including interval wine and nibbles. They are available from the church office on 01329-847003, or from John Hiett on 01329-315893.

For more details, see [www.friends-of-st-peters.org](http://www.friends-of-st-peters.org).



**Charles Timberlake (Titchfield, June 3)**

refreshments and bookstall.

**Saturday 13 May**

HAYLING ISLAND, St Peter's Church, Northney (9.30am-1pm): *Plant sale.*

SOUTHSEA, House of Bethany, 7 Nelson Road (10am-4pm): *Quiet day.* Led by the Rev Jeffery Bell. Please bring a packed lunch, drinks and tea provided. Cost: £6. Please let the Sisters know if you want to attend, on 023-9283 3498 or [ssb@sistersofbethany.org.uk](mailto:ssb@sistersofbethany.org.uk).

PORTSMOUTH, St Faith's Church, Crasswell Street (10am-12noon):

*Christian Aid big breakfast.* Support Christian Aid at breakfast with bacon rolls, cereals, fruit, toast.  
GOSPORT, Leesland C of E Junior School, Gordon Road (10am-12noon): *Prayer Spaces in Schools.* Learn how to create reflective places for pupils. See page 1 for details.

SHANKLIN, St Blasius Church

(10.30am): *Walk for Christian Aid.* Circular walk, starting from the church. Part of the Isle of Wight Walking Festival. Details: John Cooper (07999-853807 or [cooperjayemm@gmail.com](mailto:cooperjayemm@gmail.com)).

TITCHFIELD, St Peter's Church

(1pm-4pm): *Annual church fete.* Includes stalls, crafts, refreshments, live music, entertainment, children's games, barbecue and fancy dress competition for under 7s on theme of 'What I want to be when I grow up'.

PURBROOK, St John's Church (2pm): *Cake competition.* Includes men's section and several children's/youth sections. Prizes and rosettes will be given out.

PORTSMOUTH, Church of the Resurrection, Penrhyn Avenue, Drayton (2pm-4pm): *Build@Church.* Space for families to hear Bible stories and respond creatively using Lego and Duplo bricks. Followed by prayer and refreshments. Details: [www.farlingtonparish.co.uk/BuildatChurch](http://www.farlingtonparish.co.uk/BuildatChurch).

FAREHAM, St Peter and St Paul's Church (7.30pm): *Concert by Fareham Philharmonic Choir and Orchestra Spring Concert.* Includes Handel's *Messiah*. Soloists are Alexandra Stevenson, Tim Clifford Hill, William Wallace, and Richard Hooper. Tickets: £12/£10/£2, available on 01329-664948 or 01329-231899.

**Sunday 14 May**

VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Solemn sung mass.* For the Feast of St Matthias.  
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (10.30am): *Eucharist; (3pm): Rowans Hospice annual memorial service; (6pm): Evensong.*

**Tuesday 16 May**

SANDOWN, Christ Church (6.15pm): *Deanery synod with certification of lay worship leaders.*

**Wednesday 17 May**

SOUTHSEA, House of Bethany, 7 Nelson Road (10am-3pm): *Julian festival.* Led by the Rev Barbara Mosse. Please let the Sisters know if you want to attend, on 023-9283 3498 or [ssb@sistersofbethany.org.uk](mailto:ssb@sistersofbethany.org.uk)

**Thursday 18 May**

PORTSMOUTH, St Wilfrid's Church, Fratton (12noon): *Charity lunch.*

**Friday 19 May**

IDSWORTH, St Hubert's Church (7pm): *Poetry and Prosecco.* Evening of poetry and music, including the work of Edward Thomas. Tickets: £7.50, available on 023-9241 2669.

WINCHESTER, The Stripe, University of Winchester (6.15pm for 7.15pm): *Bruce Parker interviews Alan Titchmarsh.* 'Memorable moments in words and music', raising funds for Hampshire and the Islands Historic Churches Trust. Tickets: £18. Book on [www.winchester.ac.uk/memorablenoments](http://www.winchester.ac.uk/memorablenoments).

SOUTHSEA, St Jude's Church, Kent Road (7pm-9.30pm): *Creating a Culture of Welcome.* With the Ven Bob Jackson, a national expert on church growth. Follow-up session for parishes that took part in LYCIG process.

PORTSMOUTH, St Faith's Church, Landport (7.30pm): *Easter bunny drive.* Seasonal variation on a beetle drive. Proceeds to Christian Aid.

**Saturday 20 May**

SHANKLIN, St Saviour-on-the-cliff, Queens Road (10am-2pm): *Puzzle and plant sale.* Refreshments available.

SOUTHSEA, St Jude's Church, Kent Road (10am-2pm): *Creating a Culture of Welcome.* With the Ven Bob Jackson, a national expert on church growth. Follow-up session for parishes that took part in LYCIG process.

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (11am-4pm): *Thy Kingdom Come preparation day.* Clergy and lay leaders drop in to tell the bishop plans for prayer during Thy Kingdom Come, between Ascension and Pentecost. Includes worship on the hour, and prayer stations throughout. See page 5 for details.

PORTSMOUTH, St Philip's church hall, Cosham (11am-2pm): *Table-top sale.* Tables to hire for £5, book in advance. Refreshments with bacon rolls and homemade soup. Entrance: 50p. Details: 023-9237 9278.

PORTSMOUTH, Church of the Resurrection, Penrhyn Avenue, Drayton (2pm-4pm): *Messy Church.* Families can enjoy puzzles, art and craft, a short celebration and a simple meal and drinks together; (7.30pm): *Portsmouth Light Orchestra concert.* In aid of the Drayton Centre Development and orchestra funds. Tickets: £7, available on 023-9237 1135

or 023-9236 3926.

BOTLEY, All Saints Church, High Street (7.30pm): *Singsational Voices.* Spring concert with special guests Cantando Female and Mixed Voice Community Choir, Emma Francis and Inspire. Tickets: £12/£10 available on 07858-686286, 01489-782448 or [singsationalvoices@gmail.com](mailto:singsationalvoices@gmail.com)

**Sunday 21 May**

VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Solemn sung mass.* For Rogationtide.  
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (10.30am): *City service; (12noon-3pm): Beating the Bounds; (6pm): Eucharist.*

TITCHFIELD, Parish Rooms, St Peter's Church (1.45pm): *Christian Aid sponsored walk.* Walk to the sea in aid of this development charity. Registration from 1pm. Bring a pre-walk picnic if you like. Choice of five-mile, 10-mile or short family walks. Dogs on leads welcome. Free tea and cake for those who finish.  
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (4pm): *Music foundation concert.* With Adam Denman on trumpet. Raising funds for the foundation, which supports young people from the area in developing their musical skills; (6.30pm): *Thanksgiving service for the ministry of the Rev Charlotte Hetherington.* A celebration of her ministry as she retires after 13 years as associate vicar.

**Wednesday 24 May**

NEWPORT, Newport Minster (5.30pm): *Archdeacon's Visitation.* Churchwardens and clergy gather from across the island. Includes presentation on Getting Your Church Noticed at 6.30pm and worship at 7.30pm.

**Thursday 25 May**

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (6pm): *Eucharist for Ascension Day.*  
PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (7.30pm): *Ascension Day parish mass.* Includes commissioning of the Parochial Church Council.  
ALTON, Alton Abbey, Beech (7.30pm): *Ascension Day concert* by Maria Magdalena Chamber Choir. The group from Stockholm will perform Scandinavian music. Free admission, retiring collection. Details: 01428-712938 or [friendsofaltonabbey@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofaltonabbey@gmail.com).

**Saturday 27 May -**

**Tuesday 30 May**

BEMBRIDGE, Holy Trinity Church (10am-5pm daily): *Flower festival.* Theme: children's story books. Admission free, donations welcome. Includes Parish Communion on May 28 at 10.30am.

**Saturday 27 May**

NEWTOWN, Holy Trinity Church (2pm): *Church fete.* Opened by Chris Coleman and Charlotte Coleman Jackson. See page 1 for more details. Contact: Sue Wells on [sjwells@meonwood.co.uk](mailto:sjwells@meonwood.co.uk) or 01329-834130.

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (2pm): *Messy Cathedral.*

**Sunday 28 May**

VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Solemn sung mass.* For Ascensiontide.  
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (10.30am): *Eucharist; (6pm): Evensong; (8pm): Taizé-style night prayer.*

**Monday 29 May**

IDSWORTH, St Hubert's Church (10am): *Guided walk around the Idsworth Valley.* Two-hour walk, with refreshments and question-and-answer session.

**Wednesday 31 May**

VENTNOR, St Alban's Church (9.30am): *Said Holy Communion.* For the Feast of the Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Saturday 3 June**

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (6pm): *Diocesan baptism and confirmation service.*  
TITCHFIELD, St Peter's Church (7.30pm): *Serenades and sonnets at 60.* See panel for details.

**Sunday 4 June**

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (10.30am): *Eucharist.* With the D-Day and Normandy Fellowship Service; (6pm): *Evensong.*  
WATERLOOVILLE, St George's Church, St George's Walk (3pm) and HAVANT, St Faith's Church, West Street (6pm): *Saints Alive* by Roger Jones. Musical telling the story of the birth of the Church on the day of Pentecost. See page 5 for details.  
CROOKHORN, Church of the Good Shepherd (6.30pm): *Portsmouth New Wine Network celebration.*

**Sunday 11 June**

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road (4.30pm): *Commemoration of the death of Charles Dickens.* Evensong, followed by refreshments and readings in the church hall.

● *Would you like your events for June listed here? Send them to Neil Pugmire on [neil.pugmire@portsmouth.anglican.org](mailto:neil.pugmire@portsmouth.anglican.org) or at Diocesan offices, First Floor, Peninsular House, Wharf Road, Portsmouth, PO1 2HB by May 8.*

**announcements**

**Resignations:** Canon David Isaac will resign as associate area dean, Isle of Wight, with effect from April 30.

The Rev Charlotte Hetherington, will resign as associate priest, parish of St Mary's, Portsea, with effect from May 31.

**situation vacant**

**FAREHAM:** The PCC of St John's Fareham is seeking a parish administrator.

The job will involve supporting and assisting the vicar and leaders of the parish in a range of tasks including: essential key office/ church administration functions and demonstrating Christian love and pastoral care for all. Applicants should have appropriate qualifications and experience and be a practising Christian.

Salary: £6,591 (gross) per annum, equivalent to £8.45 per hour; any employee tax and NHI required will be deducted from this. Hours of work: 15 hours per week Monday to Friday, 9am-12noon. Holiday: 4 weeks per annum, pro rata plus statutory holidays

The appointment will require DBS Enhanced Disclosure. This is a post with a genuine occupational requirement under regulation 7 of the Employment Equality (Religion or Belief) Regulations 2003.

Applications with a CV should reach Rev Bruce Deans by May 15 with interviews on May 25. Details: [bruceatjohns@btinternet.com](mailto:bruceatjohns@btinternet.com) or 01329-281544.