

The Buzz



November 2018 Monthly information for the Parish of Ifield

Thought for the Month



In this month when we commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War, I am giving the lead article over to writer and theologian Nick Fawcett, who expresses the mood far better than I ever could.

Jill

Tears of Victory

There were crowds in the streets of London the day the peace was signed, They sang in exultation; they danced, they wined, they dined; For the dreadful war was over, the slaughter at an end, And now at last a broken world could slowly start to mend. But among the celebrations, the cheerful, happy cries, A multitude were weeping, no laughter in their eyes. For these there was no reason to share the festive mood, Their hearts were bowed with sorrow, their every thought subdued. For while the throng around them gave vent to shouts of joy, They grieved a loving husband, they mourned their precious boy They thought of dads or brothers, of cousins, nephews too, Of uncles, colleagues, trusted friends, so many they once knew.

So when some talk of glory, of mighty deeds once done,
Think also of the suffering with which it all was won.
and when they speak of victory upon that glorious day
Remember all those buried in fields so far away.
It's true that time's a healer, and it was all long ago,
It's true we've learned to live with the ones we once called foe;
But many still are haunted by thought of those they lost,
Still struggling with their feelings, still counting out the cost.
So if you would pay tribute and honour those who fell,
Then work for peace and justice, and make our freedom tell.
There is no way more fitting we can repay the debt,
Nor better way of saying that we will not forget.

Nick Fawcett

SERVICES AT ST. MARGARET'S

Sundays	8.00 am	Said Eucharist	
	11.00 am	Sung Eucharist	
2nd Sunday	9.30 am	FIISH for young families	
1 st , 3 rd , 4 th & 5 th Sundays	during 11.00 Sung Eucharist + Sunday School		
4 th Sunday	9.30 am	Re-FRESH	
Monday-Saturday	8.30 am	Morning Prayer	
	5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	
Wednesdays	10.00 am	Said Eucharist	
2 nd Thursday	10.00 am	Squeals on Wheels Pram & Toddler Service	

PARISH EVENTS

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<u>November</u>		
Fri. 2 nd	1.30 pm	MU Meeting in Lychgate Cottage
Sun. 11 th	9.30 am	2 nd Ifield Scouts Remembrance Day Service
Sun. 18 th		Crazy Christians' Cake Sale in aid of Springboard
Tues. 20 th	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
Wed. 21 st	8.00 pm	Creative Prayer Group at Tree House, Rusper Road
<u>December</u>		
Sun. 2 nd	6.00 pm	Advent Carol Service
Fri. 7 th	1.30 pm	MU Meeting
Sun. 9 th	11.00 am	Toy Service Plus
Wed. 12 th	7.00 pm	2 nd Ifield Scouts Carol Service
Sat. 15 th		Crib Festival
Sun. 16 th	5.30 pm	ReFresh Service
Tues. 18 th	7.00 pm	Carols Down the Pub (The Plough)
Thurs. 20 th	2.00 pm	Alzheimer's Carol Service
Sun. 23 rd	6.00 pm	Christmas Carol Service
Mon. 24 th	4.00 pm	Crib Service
	11.15 pm	Midnight Service
Tues. 25 th	10.00 am	Family Christmas Service

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

We plan to run a weekday evening course starting in the new year. If you would like to take part, please contact Jill Bell (reader@ifieldparish.org)

PARISH HOUSE GROUPS

Besides being a way of deepening our faith, being a member of a house group is a great way to get to know other members of the congregation in an informal setting. If you would like to know more about any of these groups, please contact the person named below, or speak to our Reader, Jill Bell, on 01293 521699 (reader@ifieldparish.org).

Day & Time	Contact	Venue
Tues. 7.30 pm	lan Edgson 552662	Varies – please check
Tues. 8.00 pm	Chris Bell 521699	Tree House, Rusper Road
Wed. 2.00 pm	Viv Smith 01403 891059	175 Ifield Drive
Fri. 10.00 am	Jill Bell 521699	St. Alban's Church

In addition to these groups, which are open to all, Simon runs a Men's House Group on alternate Mondays. Please contact him for details.

Also Naomi Gater, our Youth and Children's Officer, is setting up Youth House Group in Lychgate Cottage on Sunday afternoons. For further information, please contact Naomi, whose details can be found below.

WINTER FUEL ALLOWANCE

If you receive a winter fuel allowance and don't feel you need it, please would you consider donating the money to FSW, the Chichester Diocesan Association for Family Support Work?

You may remember the Director of FSW, Martin Auton-Lloyd, visiting us in July and telling us how the charity works with disadvantaged families, with a particular emphasis on the needs of the children. A practitioner, Becky Long, has recently been appointed to work in Crawley and is already making a difference to families in our town.

Your cheque (made out to CDAFSW) can be sent to: Family Support Work, Garton House, 22 Stanford Avenue Brighton BN1 6AA. Should you wish to Gift-Aid, an online form can be found at www.familysupportwork.org where you can read more about the charity's work.

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