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## Sue, one of our Assistant Priests, writes

The timing can be tricky when writing this letter. Will what I'd like to share with you still be topical and fresh when you read it - maybe in fourteen days' time or in a few weeks time? I've decided to take the risk because my judgement is that the answer to my question will be 'Yes'.

The name of Emma Raducanu is on everyone's lips at present and her photo in all the newspapers and on TV. Two nights ago - on 11 September - she won the US Open at the age of 18. The impact of her achievement has already been felt in the ground roots of tennis, with youngsters who play at the tennis club in Bromley where she first practised saying they are now inspired to practice harder and with the children in the school she attended being prepared to persevere with their learning. The impact of Emma's record breaking victory also influenced the Bishop of Dorking, the Rt. Revd. Jo Bailey Wells to change the beginning of the sermon she preached when she came to preside at the 9.30am Sung Eucharist on our Patronal Festival on 12 September!

Bishop Jo remarked on how in an hour and a half at Flushing Meadow Emma's life was turned around and commented on the way in which she responded with an astounding combination of naivety and resilience. Emma's story helps us engage with Mary's story, Bishop Jo suggested. The Blessed Virgin Mary is just a teenager when visited by the angel Gabriel and her life is turned around during the time it takes for the message of her unique vocation to be delivered: she responds with a combination of maturity and grace.

I think we're all aware of the importance of having good role models for women and for men; for black people and for people with disabilities; for the young and for those of more advanced years. Good role models are essential in all walks of life. Emma is a brilliant role model - she has become 'an inspiration to every immigrant, to every teenager, to any young hopeful who is willing to give up everything to follow a dream' - the words of Bishop Jo. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the perfect role model for every Christian seeking to be obedient to God's calling. Not long after the birth of her baby she is told that a sword will pierce her soul. She loses her son for three days when he is only twelve years old. She must think he has gone mad when he reaches thirty and begins his ministry. What must her thoughts have been as he is arrested in the garden of Gethsemane and later scourged? What despair must she suffer as she stands at the foot of the cross and then waits a further three days until the resurrection? Yet she continues her journey trusting in God and being with the disciples before the Spirit is outpoured at Pentecost. Mary is a wonderful role model for us all as we journey through life,

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going down into the valleys and climbing up the mountains.

But here's another thought. The fact is that we are all role models for everyone whose life we touch. Each one of us is called to take the risk of being obedient to God's calling as Mary was because we too have an impact - an impact which we might never imagine. In a survey carried out in 2006 86% of the respondents had at least one relationship with a Christian, which was significant to them becoming a Christian. Other statistics supported the concept that most adults coming to faith in Christ are helped by a relationship with a Christian who they know and trust.

Bishop Jo reminded us that God's way in fulfilling his purposes for the world is to work in and through human beings - through you and through me. On Sunday 3 October we'll be celebrating Harvest Festival when we give thanks to God for all his 'good gifts around us'. As well as the gifts of produce we may bring to church as a thanksgiving let us also offer our lives - body, mind and soul. If we are unable to get to church we can make the same offering in the quietness of our homes. It's an offering to make to God at the start of every day!

You continue in my prayers

Sue Ayling

## THE CHURCHWARDENS WRITE

When I was quite young there were two main things I looked forward to, Christmas and the summer holidays. The problem was that at that age time went very slowly indeed and the wait seemed like an eternity, but eventually what I was looking forward to came to pass. As you get older time goes much more quickly but when we realised just how long it was going to take to find a new vicar that seemed like an eternity as well.

After a quiet spell in August the Choir went to Chichester, we celebrated our Dedication Festival and then in September many of the services and other activities we had missed for so long were able to recommence. Being able to enjoy hymns again after such a long time was a wonderful and moving occasion, even if it was behind masks. This all then culminated in the Visit of the Bishop of Dorking to our Patronal Festival, which was exceptional in every way. We then had Ride+Stride on the 11th when the church was open and we welcomed over 16 people throughout the day, and the Ewell History Day on the 18th, with lots going on throughout the village, including St Mary's being again open with a self-guided tour and quiz available in church. Next month we will have a write up following the Archbishop of Canterbury's visit to Epsom for 'Big Questions' on the 25th.

Things were also moving in relation to the search for a new vicar with applications closing on 15 September followed by shortlisting of the potential candidates and we now know who we will be interviewing on 5 October. They will be visiting St Mary's and meeting many of those who make it such a special place. Feelings reminiscent of the night before Christmas come to mind and wondering what will be inside when the wrappers come off. In this case however, we should be hoping for what we need and not so much what we want.

*Nicholas Allsopp*



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## AV/SOUND DESK AT ST MARY'S

We are still seeking volunteers to learn how to operate our AV/Sound desk and to join the team helping with livestreaming/videos at our various services - mainly Sundays but could be funerals and other services.

This is now a vital part of our outreach so if you think you may be able to help, please contact the churchwardens.

# IN CHURCH IN OCTOBER

Our Patronal Festival took pride of place last month, with the Bishop of Dorking, the Rt Revd Jo Bailey Wells, presiding and preaching on Sunday, 12 Sept. There is much about this in this issue of the EPN.

You will know, or have read, that September in church gave us much to enjoy with the start of the new 11.00 am St Mary's Tots, which was great fun, and will be held on the first and third Sundays of each month, and then the preparation for the new 4.00pm St Mary's for All, which we hope will attract a number of families and their children as well as members of the existing congregation - the preview looks to be very exciting and there will be something for everyone, young and old alike, so do come and support Sandi and co., and enjoy a new experience on 10 Oct.

September saw the first Choral Evensong for many months so if you missed it come on 17 Oct. Check out the back page calendar for other musical interludes, including Jonathan's monthly lunchtime Bach Recitals, Choral Mattins and two Baptisms, with St Mary's Singers on the 24th and the Parish Choir on the 31st Oct.

For those who used to attend the 10am Tuesday morning Holy Communion service, will have been delighted to know that Revd Sue Ayling has reinstated these on the second Tuesday of each month, the next one being on 12 Oct. The monthly Bereavement Café continues to be held on the second Thursday, in Ewell Hall.

October starts with the long awaited 'A Day for All' on Saturday, 2nd. This is an absolute must to attend with so much

going on during the whole day - all free except for the fish&chip supper (£6). Live animals, craft, competitions and plenty more to entertain and enjoy. This is followed by Harvest Festival on the 3rd. We are having coffee in the Hall following the weekly Sunday 9.30am service, and also continuing the virtual coffee on Zoom, this month on the 3rd, 17th and the 31st. Our not-to-be missed Quiz night on Zoom will be held on Wednesday the 13th.

We are delighted to again be welcoming Revd John Baxter to take our Sunday morning service on the 17th.

The Julian Group meets again on the 18th and the second of our monthly First Communion Classes meets in the Parish Room on the 23rd.

Each year at St Mary's we keep a day of thanksgiving and memorial for the lives of our loved ones who have died and All Souls' Day this year is being celebrated on Saturday the 30th, with a Requiem Eucharist at 12 noon and Memorial and Thanksgiving Service at 4pm. After Communion or a blessing at each service, everyone is invited to light a candle for those being remembered. The following day, Sunday 31st, we are celebrating All Saints' Day.

See the back page for the calendar but do check the Weekly Notes, website and elsewhere for up-dates or new events.

November EPN will include details of the Remembrance Day service, Christ the King and the Advent Carol Service, besides other events. How near we are getting to Christmas - but don't let's count down the days just yet!!

## PHOTOS OF VISIT OF BISHOP JO BAILEY WELLS FOR OUR PATRONAL FESTIVAL



## SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT DUCKS

All along the backwater,  
Through the rushes tall,  
Ducks are a-dabbling,  
Up tails all! ( Kenneth Grahame )

You probably know 'Duck's Ditty', the poem from which the above verse is taken. The author is, of course, well-known for 'Wind in the Willows'; here he takes a light-hearted view of an interesting subject: the behaviour of ducks foraging for food.

Midwinter is much the best time to see wild ducks and admire the pulchritude of their plumage. The London Wetland Centre at Barnes attracts large numbers of ducks like Teal or Gadwall, which come from Northern Europe and stay all winter. These species, like our familiar Mallard, behave the same way. They up-end as in Grahame's poem. The smart black-and-white Tufted Duck, on the other hand, prefers to dive for food, much like Coots, quietly dropping below the surface for a few seconds. If the water is clear, you can watch them moving along underwater. All ducks are strictly vegetarian. Different kinds of waterfowl have adapted to eat different types of plant material that can be either above water or submerged. Swans, for example, with their long necks, can obviously reach a long way down; birds such as Moorhens tend to tackle water weed and other surface vegetation. The Cormorant dives, too, but only for fish. Ducks that up-end are known as 'dabbling' ducks. Though they can walk well on land, they merely dip their beaks below the surface. Diving ducks, on the other hand, are clumsy on land because their legs are positioned much further back. They are well designed for diving.

What all ducks have in common, though, is superb waterproofing. When one comes ashore, look how the water has collected into globules on its back. These globules just roll off - hence the saying 'like water off a duck's back' meaning 'without being remotely bothered'. Less aquatic than Coots, ducks cannot spend too much time swimming but must come on land to loaf, as the period of rest is called, and maintain their feathers.

Not only is the Mallard our most widespread duck, it is also the ancestor of farmyard ducks such as the Aylesbury. At one time, thousands of Mallards were hunted and trapped, by using a 'decoy'. This term derives from the Dutch 'eendekooi' or 'duck-cage', which denotes a model bird used to encourage others to settle on the water and then be lured into a cage. It is interesting that decoys that were originally set up in the Middle Ages have survived to the present day and have been restored to working order. However, their use nowadays is more beneficial. Rather than being destined for the pot, ducks are caught by experts specially trained in handling live birds. They are scientists working under the aegis of the British Trust for Ornithology. Any duck caught in a decoy is identified by a ring attached to one of its legs. A unique code inscribed on the ring bears a telephone number and indicates the place and date of ringing. If and when that bird is subsequently found - whether alive or dead - the person finding it should be able to contact the Trust with the relevant details. Over the years, this ringing activity has helped to increase our knowledge and understanding of ducks and their lives, and so to take measures for their conservation.

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## Prayers for October



### Creator God

We bring our thanks for seeds that have grown, harvests gathered, storehouses filled, mouths fed. And, as your good earth rests through winter's cold embrace, we look forward to its re-awakening by spring's first touch.

For fruitfulness and creativity in all its many forms we give you thanks. For selfless love, grace, wisdom, knowledge, sacrifice and all who take that which you have given and make with it something of beauty.

In gratitude for the harvest, help us not to forget all those who struggle and so frequently go without. Help those of us who have plenty to share with those who are not so fortunate.

**We bless you God of Seed and Harvest, and we bless each other that the beauty of this world and the love that created it might be expressed through our lives and be a blessing to others now and always. AMEN**

## WINDOWS UPDATE



Much needed repairs have recently been completed to the South Clerestory Windows by our expert church carpenter.

## FROM OUR CHILDREN & FAMILIES WORKER



**To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under Heaven. Ecclesiastes 3:1**

**Lesson 1: Accept change** Autumn shows us that nature is ever-changing. The leaves of last year must fall to make way for new ones. Like the nature we see around us, humans too are part of nature. And even though we may not like it, we all have to experience change at some time. A change of home, a new school, a death in the family—these are all possible events that could change our lives in some way. Whether a change is positive or negative, it's important to accept it and know how to adapt to it.

**Lesson 2: Appreciate what you have** We are blessed with nature all around us and yet we often barely notice it. As soon as it starts to change or disappear however, we miss it. In the same way it is so easy for us to forget to notice all the beautiful things around us that we are blessed with. Let us learn to notice the beauty around us.

**Lesson 3: Let go** Like the falling of old leaves and the growing of new ones, we need to learn to let go of what has happened in the past and embrace what is to come in the future- it is the only way that we will grow. Letting go is part of growing up and it shows us that beautiful things can grow from us having the courage to let go.

**Lesson 4: Live Life to the fullest** Autumn represents the circle of life. Leaves that were once lively and green, slowly change colour and wither away. We are shown during this season that nothing lasts forever. Life is short and precious and we need to make the most out of each day and live life to the fullest.

**Lesson 5: Accept bad times as well as the good** Like the bare trees of Autumn, we can sometimes feel bare, broken, hurt, alone, sad or depressed in our lives. The joyful part is, that like the new shoots that start growing again, if we remain patient, we too can develop new joy in our lives. Whenever you are feeling sad, remember the trees and the promise of a new spring.

Much love,

Sandi

Children and Families worker  
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## URGENT APPEAL



We are desperately looking for volunteers to assist with our Children's services and activities during the week or at weekends.

Please contact Sandi on [families@stmarysewell.com](mailto:families@stmarysewell.com) if you would be willing to give us some of your time. It will be greatly appreciated

## EWELL HALL UPDATE !!!

Barbara and Barb report that, as well as welcoming back old hirers, there has been a high volume of new bookings in June and July after the May relaunch.

As confidence has returned, the advance bookings for Sept 2021 onwards are now also heavy. There is a pent up demand for childrens parties, fitness groups, dance and exercise classes and there has been lots of positive feedback from hirers about Ewell Hall and its new facilities.

With great support from both the PCC and the Strategy Group, and always mindful of balancing the St Mary's Church and community needs, we are raising valuable funds which will be put to great use.

Always room for more bookings, so do spread the word that Ewell Hall is OPEN FOR BUSINESS and please remember to book early for your Christmas / New Year events to avoid disappointment!



# Ewell Hall

## EVENTS + ACTIVITIES



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## FLEXIBLE PLASTIC RECYCLING

Keen recyclers will be pleased to hear that large Sainsbury's stores are now offering a 'flexible plastic' recycling service.

Whereas the council will only accept firm plastic like bottles and trays after a successful trial earlier in the year Sainsbury's will now take:

### Dry food flexible plastic:

bread, cereal, rice and dry food bags, confectionary, biscuit and cake wrappers, crisp and snack packets

### Other food flexible plastic:

cheese wrap, peelable film lids and frozen food bags, fruit, vegetable and salad bags and flower wrapping, multipack film wrap, cling film and sleeves on bottles

### Pouches and sachets:

coffee, confectionery, home care, sauce pouches, baby, pet food microwaveable food pouches, toilet-ries refill pouches, packets and sachets

### Non-food flexible plastic:

carrier bags, clothing bags, bubble-wrap, magazine and newspaper wrappers, toilet roll and kitchen roll wrapping.

Sainsbury's does not want the items that the council currently take i.e. the hard plastic.

The nearest stores locally offering this service are Kiln Lane and North Cheam and further afield Kingston and Leatherhead

The Co-op has also started a similar scheme and Tesco is also planning one.

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If you have any ideas you'd like to feed in or a favourite tip to share please get in touch with Sue Ayling at:

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## FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS BAPTISM

We welcome you into the Lord's family

29 August Peter David Simpson

## HOLY MATRIMONY

A holy estate, instituted of God himself

27 August Nicholas Trueman and Victoria Kate Apel  
4 September Matthew Harry Stewart Howard and Hanna Rysztof

## FUNERALS

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

*Ashes Interment*

18 August Barbara Jean Abdy, aged 92

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2021

**Operation Christmas Child** is back and, as a church we will be supporting the campaign again this year.



Operation Christmas Child is a superb example of how one person's action can impact on thousands and even millions! Back in 1990, Dave Cooke, a father of four from Wrexham, North Wales, was watching his TV and saw news broadcasts of the plight of abandoned children in Romanian

orphanages. He was so moved that he asked friends to help fill a truck with toys and drive to Romania. In that first year, overwhelming response from local people raised £60,000 and so Operation Christmas Child was born. As the years went by, it became too big a project to remain locally based and, at this point, it merged with Samaritan's Purse, an established international relief organisation. Now it is an annual campaign that thousands of churches, schools, and other organisations across Britain get involved with between October and November each year and, since its inception, millions of disadvantaged children in over 130 different countries worldwide have received shoe boxes filled with gifts. It is truly amazing how such a simple act, the giving of a shoe box gift, can bring so much hope to the families that receive them.

Don't forget, if you are buying new shoes for yourself or for your children, or you know someone else who is, **hang on to those shoe boxes** and get ready to join us as we once again support Operation Christmas Child during November.

If you want to know how to fill a shoe box with appropriate items, go to the Operation Christmas Child website for all the latest information or pick up a leaflet from church.

There will be opportunities to drop off your filled shoeboxes at church via the main entrance on

**Saturday, 13 November 10 - 12**

**Wednesday, 17 November 10 - 12 or 2.30 - 4.30**

**Friday, 19 November 10 - 12**

**Saturday, 20 November 10 - 12**

If you have more than a dozen boxes to bring along or have difficulty dropping your boxes off at the times detailed above, we would be grateful if you would phone Lynne in the Parish Office (tel 020 8393 2643) in advance so that we are properly prepared. Many thanks.

*Linda Staff*

# MULTI-PIANOS CONCERT

## Saturday 12 June

*Sarah & Jonathan Holmes, Simon Gregory and Matthew Burgess*

How many famous Swiss can you think of? There is Roger Federer, of course. Martina Hingis, too, from the world of tennis. Among musicians, the French composer Arthur Honegger (of Pacific 231 fame) had Swiss parents and always regarded himself as Swiss. Anyone else? One man who may or may not have existed, and who is the subject of legend, is, of course, William Tell. The Italian composer **Gioacchino Rossini** wrote an opera about him. The splendid *Overture to 'William Tell'* is very frequently played, and it made a fine introduction to a summer evening's concert at St. Mary's Church.

St. Mary's possesses three pianos in excellent working order. All three of them were put through their paces in a concert spanning two centuries and with repertoire ranging from ballet to jazz. Although Covid restrictions had been relaxed to some extent, the musicians were restricted to playing their 'own' piano with no moving about between them as there used to be. It was not possible to provide interval refreshments.

All eight hands were kept busy in 'William Tell'. Four were required in *Dance of the Cygnets* and the *Waltz* from the ballet *Swan Lake* by **Pyotr Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)**. Another Russian composer whose music is totally different to that of Tchaikovsky, is **Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov (1844-1908)**. Throughout his life, Rimsky loved fairy tales and stories of magic; *Shéhérazade* is a typical example of this. The opening movement is entitled, 'The Sea and Sindbad's Ship'. Listening to this calm, magical music it is tempting to imagine Rimsky's earlier career at sea when he was a serving naval officer.

A sea voyage of a very different kind is portrayed in a piece by the French composer **Francis Poulenc, L'Embarquement pour Cythere** arranged for two pianos. The title translates 'Embarkation for Cythera' which is one of the Ionian Islands in Greece. Poulenc drew this music from a film score he wrote in 1951. Like Honegger, **Darius Milhaud** studied composition with the famous Widor but his music bears no resemblance. For several years, Milhaud lived in South America where he heard typical tunes and dance rhythms such as those in the Suite for Two Pianos '*Scaramouche*'. We heard one catchy movement, the *Brazileira*. When the sea is lashed into fury by hurricane-force winds, its effect upon human populations can be devastating, and this traumatic experience lies behind **Eugenie Rocherolle's Jambalaya – a Portrait of Old New Orleans**. To quote from the programme note, the composer said "This piece [was] premiered a month before Hurricane Katrina struck. I would like to dedicate it to the memory of the old city the way I always knew her, and to those who will never again have the chance to know her".

Finally, a substantial excerpt from **Franz Schubert's 'Trout' Quintet** arranged for eight hands. Originally Schubert composed the quintet for himself and his friends to play, and the slow movement is based on Schubert's own song 'Die Forelle - The Trout'. Time, alas, permitted two movements only from the Quintet: the Theme and Variations – the 'Trout' tune – and the Finale. This delightful and accomplished music brought to a close a most enjoyable summer's evening.

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# HELPING THE EPSOM & EWELL FOOD BANK



Each week a list of urgently required items is included in the parish Weekly Notes. All donations, however big or small are gratefully accepted and they may once again be left in the crates at the back of church. All items should be

sealed, in date and NOT CONTAIN ALCOHOL. These will be emptied every 2/3 weeks and the donations delivered to the Epsom & Ewell Foodbank, Generation Resource Centre (behind West Ewell Primary School), Ruxley Lane, Ewell, KT19 0DG. (Opening hours are 9.00am - 2.00pm).

Currently, the following are urgently required:-

*long life sponge puddings, meat pies, sugar (500g bags), tinned vegetables, rice, tomato ketchup, mayonnaise, peanut butter, jam, rice pudding, shaving foam, baby wash, washing up liquid, shampoo, washing powder & pods (bio & non-bio) and bags for life - we urgently need these.*

Please, no more donations of the following items at this time:

*pasta, baked beans, porridge, baby shampoo, tampons, sanitary towels, marmalade, cat/dog food, adult tooth-brushes.*

The Food Bank also collects brand new items for its Furniture Project. Currently needed items are:-

- Pillows (single or double packs)
- Fitted bed sheets, single and double
- Flat sheets, double
- Duvet sets (including pillowcases), single and double
- Fitted cot sheets
- Cellular baby blankets
- Hand towels
- Bath towels
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## PARISH CHOIR SINGS AT CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

Having been disappointed that our trip to sing at Chichester in 2020 was cancelled due to COVID, we were delighted to go there for the last weekend in August. We sang three services – Saturday's Choral Evensong, and, on the Sunday, both the Eucharist and Choral Evensong. The cathedral had only one visiting choir in August – us!

With slightly depleted forces, we sang well and received some nice words of thanks both from the cathedral staff and the congregations.

The music performed was:

### Saturday

Millington responses

Psalms 136, 137, & 138

Willan - Evening Service in Eb

O Lord, the maker of all thing – Mundy

### Sunday morning

Hassler – Missa Secunda

View me, Lord – Lloyd

### Sunday Evening

Millington responses

Psalm 119 vv 1-16

Hooper - Short Service

Expectans expectavi – Wood

Quite incredibly after the Sunday Evensong, an elderly



lady came up to me and said she was a close living relative of Charles Sorley (who wrote the words of the anthem; it being the last two verses of a poem). She was absolutely delighted to have heard the anthem sung so well and even showed me a book of his poetry and the actual poem. Wow!

Future trips 'away' are:

2022 8 January - Portsmouth

4/5 June - St Albans

29/30 October - Exeter

2023 27/28 May - Worcester

2024 1/2 June 2024 - Wells

*David Crick*

## BRAINTEASER

One of the features of our regular quizzes using Zoom is a brainteaser which is set at the end of each quiz. This puzzle set in August proved to be very difficult. Can you solve it (answer will be given in November EPN)?

What is next in this sequence:

**EOEREXNTE ?**

Here is the solution for the puzzle set last month.

Four people come to a river.

The only way across is a narrow bridge that can only hold two people at a time. A can cross the bridge in 1 minute, B in 2 minutes, C in 5 minutes and D in 10 minutes. They need a lantern because it is dark, but only have 1 lantern.

Find a way for them all to cross the bridge in 17 minutes.

*The solution is:*

*A & B cross together, B returns, C & D cross together, A returns and finally A & B cross together.*

*DRD*

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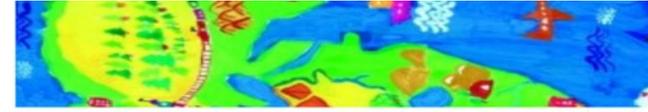


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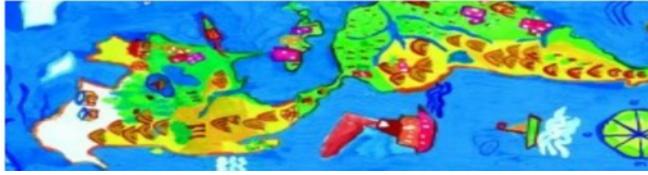
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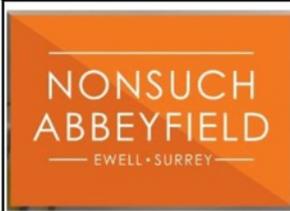
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# Calendar for October



- Sa 2 1200 -1630 A Day for All
- S 3 **HARVEST FESTIVAL**  
0930 Children's Hour (Hall/Church)  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1030 Virtual Coffee on Zoom  
1100 All Age Worship
- S 10 **TRINITY 19**  
0930 Children's Hour (Hall/Church)  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1115 Choral Mattins  
1600 St Mary's for All
- T 12 1000 Holy Communion (said at Side Chapel)  
1305 Lunctime Bach Organ Recital
- W 13 2000 Quiz on Zoom
- Th 14 1445 Bereavement Café (Hall)
- S 17 **TRINITY 20**  
0930 Children's Hour (Hall/Church)  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1030 Virtual Coffee on Zoom  
1100 St Mary's Tots  
1730 Choral Evensong
- M 18 2000-2100 Julian Group (Parish Room)
- T 22 1000 Holy Communion (said at Side Chapel)
- Sa 23 1630 First Communion Class (Parish Room)
- S 24 **TRINITY 21**  
0930 Children's Hour (Hall/Church)  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1115 Morning Prayer & Holy Baptism
- T 29 1000 Holy Communion (said at Side Chapel)
- Sa 30 **ALL SOULS' DAY (lighting of candles)**  
1200 Requiem Eucharist (said at Side Chapel)  
1600 Memorial & Thanksgiving
- S 31 **ALL SAINTS' DAY**  
0930 Children's Hour (Hall/Church)  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1030 Virtual Coffee on Zoom  
1115 Morning Prayer & Holy Baptism

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### ST. MARY'S ON-LINE QUIZZES

We hold on-line quizzes using Zoom on Wednesday evenings. These have proved very popular and are fun for all the family, so why not join us? Our next quiz will be on Wednesday 13 October.

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