



**The Big Church Day Out** is about people and faith, music and worship, activities, families, and just being together. There's something for everybody, from a nice cream tea with a Chamber Orchestra, to high energy worship and lots of activities for children. A group of 15 adults and kids went last year and we had a great time.

We will definitely be going on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May

starting at 12 noon and may go back on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> or camp for 1-2 nights depending on the interest.

At Wiston House, Steyning, West Sussex.

Day Tickets Adults £28 Children & Young people aged 5-16's £21

Weekend tickets Adults £35 with camping £15 more, 5-16's £28 with camping £5.

A great day out for all ages. See website [www.bigchurchdayout.com](http://www.bigchurchdayout.com)

Cheaper rates if we book by the end of March.

If you are interested contact Annabel Russell tel. 782003 or

email. [annabel.russell2@btinternet.com](mailto:annabel.russell2@btinternet.com)

### **Looking back and looking forward**

I would love to be able to share with you something of my own journey this last year or so – including the sabbatical - and to outline my thoughts and ideas for the future of our Benefice.

With that in mind can I invite you to either or both of the following meetings.

#### **Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

This is specifically for those who normally attend **St.Leodegar's**. We will meet in 'The Cabin' at 7.30pm.

#### **Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

This is for all members of **both** churches. We will meet in **St.Stephen's** at 7.30pm.

Please do come if you are able to.

**James**

### **Spring Clean at St Stephens**

Please come and help keep your church clean, 9:00-12:00 Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>

March. Free coffee and cake. Bring a broom / duster.

Please note the advertised date in the calendar 5<sup>th</sup> April is for an outside spring clean.

### **Reminder**

Just a reminder that the APCM follows our joint 9.30a.m. service on March 23rd

### **Coffee**

Coffee will be served after the Communion Service at N. Mundham

### **Christian Aid - Afternoon Tea**



Afternoon Tea: Courage For Peace

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2-4pm

Assembly Rooms, North Street, Chichester

with guest speaker Sarjon Toma, who works with Christian Aid in Iraq.

Come together over a cup of tea to show our compassion and to hear stories of lives healed and hope rebuilt.

### **Easter Lilies at St Stephens**

We are offering people the chance to contribute towards Easter lilies in memory of a loved one. Their names will be read out by James on Easter morning.

If you would like to remember someone could you please put your donation in the envelope at the back of the church and write the name clearly on the front.

Any queries to Rosemary Jenkins please.

### **Church Membership (Electoral Roll)**

It's almost a year since the formal 6 yearly check of members was carried out at St Leodegar's and St Stephen's Churches. There haven't been many changes since then although the overall net position is slightly better than it was in 2013. However, it is a joy to note there are a number of newcomers attending services fairly regularly and joining in with the Wednesday morning Cornerstone activities. It is also very encouraging that over 35 people have been taking part in the recent Alpha courses. Not all of these newcomers have become "official" members, nor is there any pressure on them so to do, but it would be helpful to the clergy and officers to be able to put names to faces and give a proper welcome to them as valued members of the community.

If you know of any changes that should be made to the electoral roll list as displayed at each of the churches please let us know. For those of you not on the list who would like to join (there isn't any financial or other formal commitment) you would be very welcome, with application forms available at St Leodegar's and St Stephen's Churches.

Jo Williams and David Coward

## ITEMS FOR PRAYER

We pray for all those in residential care or housebound.  
We pray for all those who are ill or in any kind of need and for those who care for them,

and have specifically been asked to pray for:

Isla & Philip Brownless  
Rev. John Whettem & Mary  
Maxine James  
Daniel Kitt  
Owen and Megan (going through a tough time)  
David & Sue Coward

"Grateful thanks to so many of you for your caring, praying and sharing of your time following my most unexpected set of Heart Attacks two weekends ago. The friendship, concern and support shown to Sue and me has been so helpful as we start on the road to my planned recovery. I hope it won't be too long before we can give each of you our thanks in person." David Coward

Copy for the **April "connect"** to Linda Fitzmaurice by 9<sup>th</sup> March please.

Email: [editor.churches@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:editor.churches@hotmail.co.uk)

Thank you.

If you have any items for the next pew sheet, please notify Tony Jarman by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March  
Phone No: 786390 Email: [tjandsue@googlemail.com](mailto:tjandsue@googlemail.com)

Please note that I have Office 2003 on my ancient computer and thus would appreciate .doc attachments rather than .docx which I cannot open with WORD 2003.

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## Parishes of North Mundham with Merston and Hunston Church Announcements for 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2014

### Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sunday before Lent

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion N.Mundham  
'Sin, faith and duty'  
Reading: Luke 17:1:10

11:00 a.m. Family Service Hunston  
'Being God's servants'

6:00 p.m. Solid Rock The Cabin

### Ash Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup>

6:00 p.m. Communion Service N.Mundham

### Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup> - First Sunday of Lent

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion Hunston  
'Sin, faith and duty'  
Reading: Luke 17:1:10

11.00 a.m. Family Service N.Mundham  
'Being God's servants'

6:00 p.m. Evening Praise N.Mundham