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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

On that day when the Tabernacle was reared up, the cloud covered the Tabernacle, and at even there was upon the Tabernacle as it were the appearance of fire until the morning *Numbers 9: 15*

I don't quite know why this quote came to mind when thinking about the roof of our church, but it does give us a sense of the holiness of a place hallowed to the glory of God - something powerfully present when you enter Holy Trinity.

Whenever I meet visitors or those entering the building for the first time, it is the great medieval roof structure with its painted adornments by Charles Eamer Kempe (including the angels) to which they are first drawn. From the bosses on the intersection of the ribs of the roof, to the carved spandrels carved with symbols of the passion (other than that on the south western one, bearing the names 'Jesu Maria') - all created and decorated to the glory of God. We are fortunate indeed to worship in a tabernacle of great beauty.

All this inner beauty is covered by the great sweeping Horsham stone roof, one of the largest such roofs in the county. It was last re-layed in the early 1920s (at the cost of £2,000) and is now beginning to fail. We patch as we can, but this risks even greater failure of the area around the repair. Essentially the whole roof will have to be removed, working from the top down on both sides at the same time so that the building and roof timbers are not destabilised. As you will image, this will be enormously costly – something approaching £1 million, with other urgent stone repairs hopefully carried out at the same time. Much preparatory work has been undertaken by Brian Cutler, Nick Rowe and others, and we hope in due course to make a bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund, although there is still much more work to do on this front, followed by the raising of a proportion of the sum needed by ourselves.

The important thing to say is that there is no intention that this major work should detract from our regular mission or worship, or indeed other things that we hope to achieve. What I do ask is that you hold the life and witness of our parish in your prayers, so that we may, indeed, 'Joyfully serve Jesus.'

With love,
Michael

FROM THE VICAR'S DESK

The Reverend Eric Hayden A large number of people attended the Thanksgiving Service for Eric's life and ministry, celebrated in Holy Trinity on August 7th when many memories were shared. I remember meeting him myself in the early 80s and thinking how strikingly vibrant he was, and the parish still bears the mark of his remarkable gift to draw people in, even 25 years on. His great energy, both pastorally and in terms of those various projects like the new spire and the school, are wonderful testimonies to his incumbency. In all this, he was wonderfully supported by Daphne, the two of them (as quoted by Nigel at the service, from Captain Corelli's Mandolin) like 'those that truly love have roots that grow towards each other underground, and when all the pretty blossoms have fallen from their branches, they find they are one tree and not two'. I know that people will continue to support Daphne and the family in their prayers. ***Eric, may you rest in peace, and rise in glory.***

Stewardship at Holy Trinity It is part of good housekeeping to continually review parish life. We are fortunate at Holy Trinity to have so many people involved in different and important areas of our shared journey of faith in the knowledge of the love of Jesus Christ. In terms of housekeeping too, it is important to consider our own giving as part of our response to faith, and much of what we achieve is supported through the giving of many people. In recent years, we have all lived through a world-wide recession with consequent pressures, particularly on those on fixed incomes or balancing the family budget. However, to continue and

increase our proclamation of the Good News of Jesus Christ, I would like to ask everyone to consider their giving to the church.

On **Sunday 17th September**, we will be launching our stewardship campaign, when after 9.45 Service there will be bacon butties in the Old School.

Please consider these word of Holy Scripture:

Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to make this freewill-offering? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you 1 Chronicles 29: 11 &14

Pilgrimage to Salisbury Cathedral Last year a goodly number of us travelled by coach to Canterbury Cathedral. I hope people will agree that we had a very lovely day. We worshipped together and enjoyed exploring the cathedral and city. This year we are travelling to Salisbury Cathedral on **Monday 11th September**, leaving Cuckfield at 8.00 a.m. and Salisbury at 4.00 p.m. We will have coffee on our arrival, worship together and then explore. It is also hoped to have a guided tour of the cathedral. If you would like to join us, please contact Gill in the office. The cost will be £25 per place. Do join us. Tickets from Gill in the church office.

Lunchtime Recitals Don't forget our recital series on the first Friday of each month. On **September 1st**, we welcome **King Henry's Consort** – the well-known recorder consort. On **October 6th**, **Dominic Ferris** (piano) Dominic was a former pupil of mine and is making a great name for himself displaying a wide range of repertoire. There may even be a bit of Vicar thrown in! All Lunchtime Recitals start at **1.00pm – entrance free, tea and coffee available.**

Mission We are all greatly heartened that we have been able to reinstate our missionary funding following repayment of the reordering costs, and hope that the parish will be able to gradually increase support to worthy charities. On **Sunday September 24th** we will be having a focus at the **9.45** on aspects of our current missionary work, so do come and hear something about this vital part of our Christian witness.

Harvest Barn Dance Do join us in church for our Harvest Barn Dance of **Saturday 30th September @ 5.00pm** with an excellent live band and caller, bring and share supper and bar. It's a great occasion for families and people of any age (you can even sit the dancing out!), so do join us. Tickets from Gill: £6 (£5 concessions) or £20 family. We celebrate our Harvest Festival the following day (1st October) with services at 8.00, 9.45, 11.00 & 6.00pm.

Family Support Work Please join us on **Saturday October 21st** for an Indian Supper and entertainment in the Old School in aid of Family Support Work. This should be a great evening for all. Tickets: £20 from Ros Thunder (417103)

The South Porch Great work was undertaken by Jonathan and Paul in clearing the south porch of platforming, mangers and all sorts of other items and we have recently opened it for services, particularly when it has been hot. I know that many have been struck by the difference it seems to make. Not only does light flood in but there is the most wonderful view of both the churchyard and the South Downs. The porch – a beautiful structure rebuilt by Kempe from the original - needs a little work but would be transformed by matching glass doors to those on the north doors. Just a thought!

The Revd Eric Hayden (1926-2107)

Vicar of Cuckfield, 1978-1992

Eric as a boy, as husband, father, priest, grandfather, and great-grandfather

Eric was born in Hove in 1926 and had two older brothers and one younger sister. His mother died when he was 5 years old: his father, a master builder with four young children to look after, remarried. Suffice to say, Eric did not enjoy a happy childhood, and so, his family have always meant so much to him.

In 1939, along with the other pupils at Varndean School, he was evacuated to Yorkshire, where he lived with a family who gave him a caring and loving home. When he was 17 years of age he enlisted in The Royal Navy and saw service in Northern Ireland, Ceylon, and the Far East. He remained an Able Seaman, and, as far as can be gathered, spent much time painting the ship's side: he always quoted "If it doesn't move, paint it; and if it does move, sweep it up!". It was in the earlier part of his time in the Navy that he lost a finger. At the end of the war in the Far East the ship was engaged in mine sweeping duties.

Following four years in the Royal Navy, he joined a City firm of insurance brokers and spent most of his days in the 'Room' at Lloyds. Eric met Daphne through a mutual relation of no blood relationship, and they had only met 4 or 5 times at weekends when he asked her to marry him, and she said "Yes" on the spot! They were married one year later in Aldershot Parish Church and started married life, first in London and then in Aldershot. They both had itchy feet, and so, with 11-month old baby Brenda, Eric accepted a post in Mombasa, Kenya, where they stayed for a three year contract, followed by 6 months leave in the UK. Their elder son Clive was born in Mombasa. At the end of that period the family returned to Nairobi for a 5-year contract, with one 4 months' leave period after four years, after which they returned to the UK with two more children, Alyson and Ian. They found it difficult to settle, and within a few months were on their way to Hong Kong for a year, before being sent to Japan in 1963 where they lived in Yokohama and Eric worked in Tokyo for the next 7 years.

During this time, they were very active at Christ Church on the Bluff, and it was there that Eric knew he wanted to enter the ordained ministry: as he put it “I am swapping insurance for Blessed Assurance”. He studied, and became the first licensed Lay Reader in the Anglican Church in Japan. In 1971 the Haydens returned to the UK, and, a few days after arriving, Eric was making his way to Sarum College, Salisbury, for a 2-year course designed for mature students, followed by ordination at Chichester Cathedral, and serving his title as Deacon at Horsham Parish Church. A six-year curacy followed at St John’s Church Broadbridge Heath (during which time they did a 6-month exchange with an assistant priest from Chevy Chase, Washington DC).

Through friends, Eric then learned that Cuckfield was looking for a Vicar and so it was that he was instituted/installed in 1978 at Holy Trinity where he served for the next 14 years. Semi-retirement came in 1992 when he and Daphne moved to Tilshead on Salisbury Plain, where he was priest-in-charge of three parishes (Tilshead, Chitterne and Orcheston) for the next five years. ‘Retirement’ came at age 70, when they moved to the cottage they had bought in Hungerford. Needless to say, Eric was kept busy in and around Hungerford, helping out. In 2008, they moved back to Haywards Heath, since when Eric’s health gradually deteriorated.

He was always interested in people: he worked hard to establish St Catherine’s Hospice; he researched and found that the land on which Holy Trinity School now stands belonged to the church; and for many years, he and Daphne were involved in educational and medical projects in Lesotho. So much of Eric’s life involved fundraising for something or other: how many vicars would have endured an 8-day sponsored camel ride across the Sinai Desert to raise funds for another hospice?

Much, much more could be written: but he is now at rest, after a full and active life.

Daphne Hayden

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The speakers are booked, the programme is printed and tickets will shortly be available for the first **Cuckfield Book Festival**. It opens on **Friday 6th October** with supper at Ockenden Manor, and then over the next two days, there is a packed programme of talks, discussions and workshops, plus sessions for children upstairs in the Queen's Hall. The range of authors who have agreed to come is remarkably wide: Adrian Tinniswood talking about *The Long Weekend* and recounting the tumultuous and scandalous history of English country houses during the years between the two World Wars; Andrew Lownie's biography of Guy Burgess which the Daily Mail called 'a more compelling page-turner than any spy thriller'; Damian Barr who wrote a memoir of his childhood, *Maggie and Me*, about which JoJo Moyes said 'it should be required reading'.

We all remember the Great Storm of 1987 and Tamsin Treverton Jones has written a compelling portrait of this extraordinary event which she will be discussing with Sue Cook, the well-known broadcaster. Elly Griffiths, famous for her crime fiction, will be talking about *The Chalk Garden*, the latest in her best-selling series about Dr Ruth Galloway.

Other writers include Gavin Mortimer describing *THE LRDG (The Men Who Made the SAS)*; Harry Mount whose account of the turmoil caused in the Tory party by the Brexit vote is bound to be intriguing; and Anthony Seldon talking about Artificial Intelligence and its effect on education. Anne Sebba's *Les Parisiennes* tells the story of resisters, writers, collaborators, couturiers, spies and actresses in occupied Paris; and two young authors will be discussing Jane Austen and Charlotte Brontë, both of them as popular as ever.

The last event on Saturday features the renowned actress Harriet Walter, who will be talking about her book, *Brutus and*

Other Heroines, which explains why Dame Harriet has decided to tackle Shakespeare's mature male roles.

Add to the mix, a book about the Impressionist world by Catherine Hewitt, an explanation of the art of ghostwriting from Andrew Crofts, moderators such as Julian Worricker, Sue Stapely, Alan Judd and Howard Leader, and we hope you agree that the programme is full of interest.

Two local children's authors (Sally Symes and Jill Lewis) will run events especially for small people upstairs in the Queen's Hall and there will be fascinating sessions for all young dinosaur fans, held in conjunction with Cuckfield Museum.

As with all events in Cuckfield, the success of Bookfest will rely on volunteers, so if you are interested in getting involved, please contact Sheila Chasser at limetrees@hotmail.com

Full details of how to buy tickets are now available in the programme or go to our website: www.cuckfieldbookfest.co.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to lots of events!

Waitrose in Haywards Heath has agreed to make Cuckfield Bookfest part of its Community Matters in August – this is the scheme where customers are invited to take green discs displayed at the checkouts and pop them into clear plastic containers marked with various local causes. So may we encourage you to support Bookfest – thank you!

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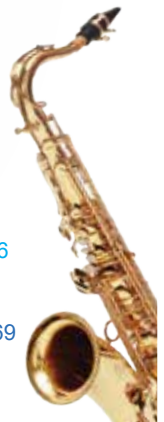
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The Friends of Holy Trinity Church are holding a fund-raising jazz concert in the church on Sunday afternoon, 15th October, 2017, at 2.30pm.

The Institute Jazz Band perform in a trad jazz style taking inspiration from musicians such as Ken Colyer, Chris Barber, Acker Bilk and Kenny Ball. The programme will be a blend of jazz numbers from New Orleans, spirituals and popular dance music of the 1920s and 1930s and featuring the vocals of Grace Gardner.

Tickets at £12 each are available from FOHTCC@btinternet.com, Wealden Stores and Pepperbox in Cuckfield and Carousel Music in Haywards Heath. Tickets for children under 16 are £6 each.

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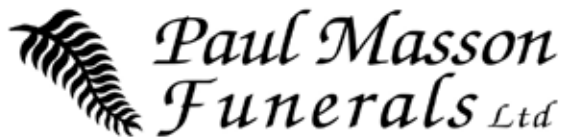
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Come and see the exhibits, listen to the Mid Sussex Brass Band while enjoying teas provided by Cuckfield WI.

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CUCKFIELD MUSEUM TALKS FOR AUTUMN AND WINTER

**Wednesday 6th September, 2.30 pm, the Council Chamber,
The Queen's Hall, Cuckfield**

"Dinosaur Discoverers" by John Cooper from the Booth Museum, Brighton:

Sussex and the wider Weald area were at the forefront of a new world in the discovery of giant extinct creatures whose fossils began to appear in the early 19th Century. John tells how this unfolded through the discoveries of Gideon Mantell and George Bax Holmes, and especially through their relationship with Richard Owen, famed first President of London's Natural History Museum.

**Thursday 5th October, 8.00 pm, the Council Chamber,
The Queen's Hall, Cuckfield**

"Chailey Heritage" by Ros Black, Author and Historian:

Grace Kimmins, founder of Chailey Heritage, was a pioneer in the field of care and craft training for disabled youngsters, but there is so much more to her incredible story as local author, Ros Black, has discovered and relates to us in this enlightening illustrated talk.

**Thursday 9th November, 2.30 pm, the Council Chamber,
The Queen's Hall, Cuckfield**

"The Magic of Pantomime" by Ian Gledhill, Historian:

Ian's enthusing talk reflects upon the history of this enduring and peculiarly British institution with personal anecdotes from years of involvement appearing in and producing Pantomimes.

To reserve a place, please phone Mike Nicholson 01444 452307 or email: events@cuckfieldmuseum.org

Cuckfield Museum's Autumn Display: 'The Great Storm of 1987'

Do you have memories or photos of that dramatic time? If so, we'd love to hear from you. Please phone Sue Burgess 01444-454104 or Phillipa Malins 01444-452307.

THE PARISH MAGAZINE

Copy date for the **OCTOBER** edition of the magazine is no later than **MONDAY 11th SEPTEMBER**. Please email contributions in **WORD** format to:

duty-editor@holytrinitycuckfield.org

Mail to this address will forward to whoever is the editor for the month, and we encourage our contributors to use this address as the quickest and easiest way to reach the editor of the month. Replies to you will come from the real person who is on duty, however!

The Editorial Team

FSW SEPTEMBER FAIR – 10TH SEPTEMBER



Join FSW for a late Summer event in The Vicarage Garden, St Peter's Church, Henfield. The Fair will run from 2.00-4.00 p.m., with stalls, cream teas, cakes, raffle, and children's activities. Admission is £1 for adults and free for children. Local businesses are invited to donate raffle prizes or to sponsor the event. If you can help, please contact FSW below:

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Holy Trinity's Mishcom Committee are supporting the Chichester based charity **Stonepillow** which provides a lifeline for vulnerable and homeless people in West Sussex. The charity runs hubs, hostels, day centres and workshops. We would like to offer Stonepillow donations of household items such as crockery, cutlery, cooking implements, garden tools, ornaments, pictures, mirrors, books, CDs and DVDs.

**Donations can be brought to the church tower on
Saturday, 7th October, from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
Sunday afternoon, 8th October from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.**

Did You Know?

- In the past year, 208 people have accessed Stonepillow's services and 108 people have moved into a home of their own;
- In 2015, they opened Stonepillow Lodge, a new facility of 5 en-suite bedrooms, in conjunction with St Richard's Hospital, to house homeless people discharged from hospital;
- They employ over 40 people to support clients and also rely heavily on a loyal team of volunteers.

Stonepillow is the trading name of the Christian Care Association (CCA) formed in 1989 following a sermon given by the Reverend Hilary Parsons about the death of an ex-Graylingwell patient in a public toilet in Chichester, West Sussex.

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SEPTEMBER GARDEN NOTES

Late July and August have been quite wet after the beautifully warm, dry sunny June and start of July. September, though, is a rewarding month, a time of harvest with plenty of vegetables and fruit to gather in, but, with summer coming to an end, mixed feelings. Shorter daylength, lower temperatures and heavy dews mean fungal diseases are more prevalent (a great for time for fungi hunters). Downy mildew, tomato blight (same as potato blight which infected our potato leaves the second week of August) and botrytis may appear. Ventilate greenhouses well and water in the mornings so moisture levels are lower at night. Keep potted plants on the dry side and remove any yellowing leaves to minimise botrytis. Blackberries seem to be quite early this year so gather from the hedge rows before they have all gone.

September is also hedge cutting month since the birds have stopped nesting and there should be minimal regrowth so hedges will stay neat and tidy over the winter - yew, holly, beech, privet, hawthorn, leylandii and mixed species ones.

Continue with dead-heading in herbaceous borders and pruning of shrubs such as Escallonia, Spirea, Weigelia, Olearia, Ceanothus and others after flowering. Also prune back Buddleias by a third to a half to reduce wind damage in the autumn/winter. Tie in and prune climbing and rambling roses, also Jasmine, Clematis, Solanum and Honeysuckle before the autumn winds blow.

Bulbs are out now so buy and plant unless you're putting them in pots/tubs still occupied by summer bedding plants. When the latter are well past their best, empty and clean out before planting narcissi, tulips, etc., pansies and other autumn

bedding in fresh compost. Shrubs and trees can be purchased and planted during September and October, but remember to water in warm, dry spells. Water is best directed straight to the roots, not sprayed around the leaves, so empty the contents of a watering can around the stem.

Tomatoes, cucumbers, beetroot, onions, brassicas and potatoes have been good. The grass has kept growing but can be treated for moss and weeds before winter sets in.

Harvest plums, apples and pears, pumpkins and squashes and any potatoes remaining in the ground. Store as you prefer -in boxes, in the freezer, jam, chutney or old-fashioned bottling. As Harvest Festivals are celebrated, thank God for the abundance we enjoy in this country and pray for those who are less fortunate around the globe.

Lindsay Shurvell



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The dominant theme for nature this month is migration. In September Sussex becomes an international hub for some amazing long-distance journeys.

Migration will never cease to amaze me. In August, I watched a family of freshly fledged reed warblers crashing

around on their first flights. They could barely stay airborne for more than a few seconds. Yet they are now joining our other summer migrants: falcons and doves, swallows and martins, whitethroats, whinchats, wheatears and wagtails in a mass evacuation of England. Pouring out through the river valleys of Sussex and across the seas, mountains and deserts beyond, over every church house, gin house, school house and outhouse between Crawley and the Cote d'Ivoire.

And as they head south, they'll pass butterflies still intent on pushing north – painted ladies, clouded yellows, and red admirals, beautiful insects which surge into Sussex from Spain in September. Other insects are also making the cross-Channel trip on delicate wings: dragonflies, such as the migrant hawker, all trying to make the most of the summer before it fades.

At night, the insect invasion continues with continental moths such as vestals, silvery and convolvulus hawkmoths. Look out for the amazing hummingbird hawkmoth, its whirring wings a blur as it nectars in your flower-bed. Meanwhile other bird species are arriving from the north, some just refuelling as they pass through, others -who find the winter temperature in Sussex hotter than the Highlands and balmier than the Baltic - will stay with us: waders and wildfowl feeding on the estuaries, owls and harriers hunting over the downs.

Sussex gardens will also become a winter destination – 'your' blackbird, with whom you have shared the garden all summer, may shortly be joined by a blackbird belonging to Mr & Mrs Morgansson of Kongsvinger, Norway. And let's not forget that through the centre of Sussex runs a series of aquatic migration highways: the Arun, Adur, Ouse,

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Cuckmere and Rother. Throughout the year their waters channel the mighty sea trout, the eel and the weird sea lamprey from the deep ocean to shallow spawning grounds upstream. These aquatic migrations are just as impressive.

This September head out in Sussex and watch the natural world on the move.

Michael Blencowe
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PARISH NOTES

The Roll of Honour – It is with great regret that we have to add yet another name to the list of the Cuckfield men who have given their lives for their country. On August 10th Mr. and Mrs. T. Chinnery received the news of the death of their son, **Albert Edward Chinnery**, a Sapper in the Royal Engineers. He was at home on leave at the end of July, and it was on August 1st that he left Cuckfield. He returned to duty on August 4th, and on the following day

be was killed. He was a waiter in the officers' mess, and he was in the mess room when a shell landed in the house and wounded him so severely that he died without regaining consciousness and before his wound could be dressed. Writing to his widow the Major commanding speaks of the sadness of it all, and adds "He looked after us all with such care, and we often wondered when he slept. His death has been a great blow to his whole company. Your husband was so popular – always cheery and so hard working. I know that your husband's death must be a very great blow to you and I beg that you may accept the deepest sympathy from the officers and men in your great sorrow." Before the war, the deceased was in the employment of Mr. S. Knight and he was a Bell Ringer at the Parish Church. He was married in 1915, and we wish to express our sincere sympathy with his widow and also with Mr. and Mrs. Chinnery and the members of the family in their sorrow.

It is also with great regret that we have received the news, just as we are going to press, of the death, on August 22nd, of Lance-Corporal **George E. Botting**, R.M.L.I. He was accidentally killed through the explosion of a bomb, which was faulty, while he was instructing a recruit in bomb-throwing. Lance-Corporal Botting was well known in connection with the Cuckfield Football Club, and he was a member of the team which won the MidSussex Junior League Cup, 1907-8. In February, 1916, he was married in our Church to Miss Dora May Wells. In writing to his parents to give them the sad news the officer commanding his company says, "As belonging to the same battalion as your son and sharing many dangers with him, I should like to express my admiration for him as a thoroughly efficient and courageous man, and I should like you to know how popular he was with all his comrades. The battalion never had a finer man, and many of us have lost a dear friend." His widow and his parents have the sincere sympathy of us all in their sorrow.

Mrs. Mitchell, Albany Villas, has the sympathy of her friends on the death of her son, **William Mitchell**, Middlesex Regiment, who was killed on 19th July, being the second son whom she has lost in the war.

We are very sorry to hear that **Colonel Berly** has been in hospital and has had to come to England on sick leave, and also that several of our men have been wounded. On August 16th, 2nd Lieutenant **Douglas Wood**, Royal Berkshire Regiment, was seriously wounded when taking part in a charge, being struck in the thigh by a bullet. On August 5th, Private **J. W. Markwick**, Royal West Kent Regiment, was wounded while acting as a stretcher bearer and carrying a wounded comrade, and is now in hospital in France, and Private **John Young**, Royal Sussex Regiment, has been wounded in both legs by shrapnel and is now in hospital at Leeds. Private **A. E. Vickery** has been wounded and is in hospital near Leith. However, we are glad to have good reports of them all, and they are making satisfactory progress.

We are sorry to say that no news has been received by Canon and Mrs. Fisher to relieve their anxiety with regard to their son, 2nd Lieutenant **Wilfrid Fisher**, but there is still room for hope that he is alive and well.

We have been very pleased to welcome home on leave Corporal **V. E. Mitchell**, who has been in hospital for many weeks suffering from enteric, and also Private **F. Backshall**, who has been in hospital with trench fever. We are very glad to see that they are now practically convalescent.

Captain Stuart K. Reid, M. C. – The award of the Military Cross to Captain Stuart Reid has now been announced in the "London Gazette," and we wish to give him our most hearty congratulations on the honour which has been

conferred upon him. That it was well deserved is evident from the terms of the announcement that it was conferred "For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company with great judgment and coolness under heavy fire. By his skilful use of his Lewis gun he prevented a counter-attack on his exposed flank, having appreciated the danger at the right moment."

Memorial Service – A Memorial Service for those who have fallen in the war, and specially for the Cuckfield men who have recently given their lives to defend us, will be held at Evensong on Sunday, September 2nd (and not on September 9th, as previously announced), at 6.30 p.m. The preacher will be the Rev. R. H. C. Mertens, and the collection will be given to the Church Army Fund for Recreation Huts for our Sailors and Soldiers. We hope that a large number of people will be able to be present to do honour to our dead soldiers.

The names of the Cuckfield men whom we shall then commemorate are:

JAMES ATTREE, CECIL BOWELL, ALBERT E. CHINNERY, ELLIS ALBERT DANCY, THOMAS HENLEY, ARTHUR E. HOLDEN, W. HOLFORD MITCHELL (Lieutenant), GEORGE MURRELL, ALFRED U. PENNIFOLD, JAMES F. RIDLEY.

To these names we are asked to add the following:

GEORGE ERNEST BOTTING, WILLIAM W. H. MITCHELL.

***War Memorial** –The Vicar thought it was a pity that we should let the months pass by without any sort of memorial being put up in the Church to those Cuckfield men who have given their lives for their King and Country. He has*

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accordingly (with the consent of the Churchwardens) put up a memorial on the south wall of the Church. It has been generally approved of, but of course it is not intended to be more than merely temporary. There are 49 names, to which two more have to be added, and we are very much indebted to Mr. Tree, who has kindly engrossed the names free of charge, and done it with great neatness and care. The cards have been mounted and framed by Mr. Askew, and above the memorial has been placed a stand bearing thirteen small bunting flags, viz. The Union Jack and the flags of Canada, Australia and New Zealand, and also of the Allies, France, Italy, Belgium, Russia, Japan, Portugal, U.S.A., Serbia and Romania.

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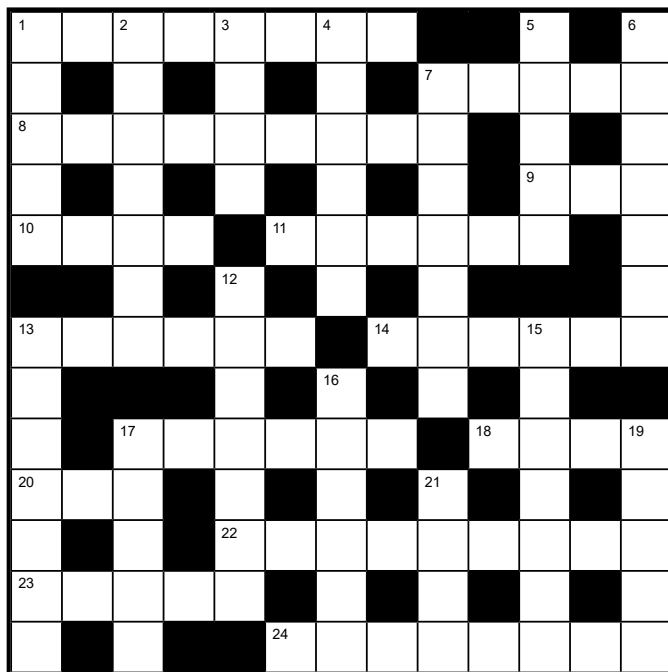
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September Crossword



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1. LETTERS (8)
7. PARTS (5)
8. EXTRAVAGANT EXAGGERATION (9)
9. MELODY (3)
10. THOSE SAILING A BOAT (4)
11. ONE OF ESAU'S WIVES (6)
13. STRATA (6)
14. STRAIN (6)
17. COME INTO SIGHT (6)
18. CAIN'S BROTHER (4)
20. EMPLOY (3)
22. CHRISTIAN DENOMINATION (9)
23. SHINE (5)
24. STROKED (8)

CLUES DOWN:

1. PRINCIPLE (5)
2. IRREVERENCE (7)
3. ---- AND SIDON (4)
4. BOOK OF THE OT (6)
5. MUSLIM GOD (5)
6. DANCES (7)
7. RENEWAL (7)
12. JOHN WAS ONE (7)
13. WORSHIP (7)
15. PROTECTS AGAINST DECAY (7)
16. FRUIT (6)
17. PROTECTION (5)
19. DONE UP (5)
21. LEER (4)

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ACROSS:

1.EPISTLES, 7.ROLES, 8.HYPERBOLE, 9.AIR, 10.CREW, 11.JUDITH, 13.LAYERS,
14.STRESS, 17.APPEAR, 18.ABEL, 20.USE, 22.EVANGELIC, 23.GLINT,
24.CARESSED

DOWN:

1.ETHIC, 2.IMPIETY, 3.TYRE, 4.EXODUS, 5.ALLAH, 6.CSARDAS, 7.REBIRTH,
12.PROPHET, 13.LITURGY, 15.EMBALMS, 16.BANANA, 17.AEGIS, 19.LACED,
21.OGLE

Regular Events

Bellringers	Friday evenings 7.45–9.15pm.
Choir	Choir practice Friday evenings 7.30 for 7.45-9pm. (There are no practices during August)
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Cuckfield Crafts and Market	For information or to book contact Beverley Smith 01444 440274 or Jane Ravell 01444 451454
Cuckfield Local Market	9.30am to 12.30pm. Food Market at The Talbot, High Street, Cuckfield. (Monthly)
Cuckfield Evening Flower Club	8 September - Supper
Cuckfield Ladies Group	Tuesday 5 September 12.30pm Bring & Share Lunch at Pamela Knighton's For more details please contact Jan Bryan 414891
Solo Lunch	The next Solo Lunch will be on 10 September. Tickets £5 available from the Church office
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SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER – TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am Holy Communion
*Jeremiah 15: 15-21; Romans 12: 9-21;
Matthew 16: 21-28*
- 9.45am Family Service
- 11.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)
Romans 12: 9-21; Matthew 16: 21-28
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong
2 Kings 6: 24-25, 7: 3-end; Acts 18: 1-16

SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER – THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist
*Ezekiel 33: 7-11; Romans 13: 8-14;
Matthew 18: 15-20*
- 6.00pm Evening Communion

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER – FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am Holy Communion
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist
*Genesis 50: 15-21; Romans 14: 1-12;
Matthew 18: 21-35*
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong
Ezekiel 20: 1-8, 33-44; Acts 20: 17-end

SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)
As 9.45am
- 9.45am Parish Eucharist
*Jonah 3: 10-4: 11; Philippians 1: 21-30;
Matthew 20: 1-16*
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong
Ezekiel 33: 23, 30-34: 10; Acts 26: 1, 9-25

Holy Trinity Cuckfield

SUNDAY SERVICES & MAJOR FESTIVALS FOR THE MONTH *(SEE INSIDE)*

WEEKDAY SERVICES – NORMALLY IN THE LADY CHAPEL

Monday	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	10.30am 5.00pm	Holy Communion followed by Coffee & Cake Evening Prayer
Thursday	9.00am	Holy Communion
Friday	11.00am	Holy Communion, BCP
Saturday	8.45am	Morning Prayer

FOR CHILDREN - IN THE OLD SCHOOL – SUNDAYS

Noah's Ark	ages 0 to 3
Children's Church	ages 3 to 10
Xplorers	action for 11 to 13 year olds.

except for 1st Sunday of each month when all join the Family Service
and during the school summer holidays.

for details of weekday youth activities see regular events

**NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS ARE MOST WELCOME
COME AND SEE!**

**JOIN US FOR COFFEE IN THE OLD SCHOOL
AFTER 9.45 SERVICES**

Michael Maine, Vicar