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Dear Friends,

As you will know, I have carried out most of the Archdeacon's Visitations with the Cuckfield Deanery over the past few months. It has been a busy time, yet rewarding and humbling. Seeing the many endeavours our brothers and sisters in Christ undertake to proclaim the Good News has been a great experience. In an age where secularism is increasingly encouraged, it can sometimes seem to be a struggle to enable others to know the transformation which faith in Jesus brings about – yet within the deanery this wonderful work happens day by day.

There have also been surprises along the way. All Saints' Highbrook (parish population 200!) is still using all its original registers (wedding, baptism and burial) from the 1870s! In Cowfold my breath was taken away by one of the most magnificent brasses in the country, that of Thomas Nelond, the twenty-sixth prior St Pancras, Lewes. He died in 1433, and was buried in Cowfold, of which he was also vicar. Many of the churches in the deanery are either Saxon or Norman foundations, and each of these churches stand as witness to their long histories.

Haywards Heath is, as we know, a modern town. The four churches (St Wilfrid's, The Presentation, St Richard's and The Ascension) all play their part in proclaiming the Gospel in a very different environment to the other churches within the deanery. In doing so, their congregations, like the others, make the love of Jesus Christ known, sometimes in difficult circumstances.

Please pray for the work of our parishes within the deanery, asking that we may always seek to be led by the Holy Spirit and deepen our love in Jesus Christ, whose death and Resurrection leads us all to new life.

With love,  
Michael

## FROM THE VICAR'S DESK

**Harvest** I just wanted to thank everyone who joined in with our Harvest celebrations this year. The Barn Dance was attended by a great number of people including many young people, and was great fun. Thanks too to our young people who led much of the Eucharist the following day. It really was a joyous occasion!

**Remembrance Sunday** I am always struck whenever I enter the Queen's Hall by the huge number of Cuckfield men who served in the armed forces during the First World War. 2017 marks the centenary of the saddest year of that terrible conflict for Cuckfield, with the largest loss of life of those serving from our community. As in previous years we will hold a short commemoration at the War Memorial in the churchyard at 10.50am on Saturday 11th November, whilst on **Remembrance Sunday** itself (12th November) the services will be as follows: **9.00 Holy Communion with hymns 10.45 Remembrance Service** (starting at the War Memorial at 10.45am and continuing in the church thereafter). **6.00pm Evening Communion**

Plans are already afoot for next year's centenary commemoration of the end of the Great War, of which more details will be made known in the new year.

**Service of Thanksgiving and Commemoration** Our annual service to which we invite all those bereaved during the previous year (and to which **all** are welcome) will take place on **Sunday 19th November** at 4.00pm followed by tea in the Old School. This year the choir will be joining us and will be singing several items from Faure's Requiem (including the beautiful Pie Jesu). Please note that there will be **NO EVENSONG** on that date.

**Visiting Preacher** On the same day (19th November), the Rev Stephen Terry will be preaching at the 9.45 Eucharist. Stephen has recently retired as Rector of the Aldrington Team Ministry and hopes to help us occasionally at Cuckfield.

**Christ the King Sunday** marks the end of the church year, and we hope to announce the result of our stewardship campaign. Please, if you haven't yet responded, take a leaflet from the back of the church, and consider how you respond to the knowledge of God's Love made known in Jesus Christ within your own life. There is so much more that we would hope to achieve within the wider community if possible. Your gift - in time, giving or talents - can help to make all the difference.

**Lunchtime Recitals** This month sees the welcome return of former HT chorister **Eloise Irving** on **Friday 3rd November @1.00pm**. Next month we welcome **Wealden Voices** (directed by Richard Jenkinson, our Director of Music) on **Friday 1st December @ 1.00pm**. Entrance free.

**A few dates in advance!** Our popular **Advent Light Service** will take place on **Saturday 2nd December at 8.30am followed** by a full English breakfast! Not to be missed, and a great start to welcoming Advent. Ticket details to follow.

**Prayer Vigil** That same day – **2nd December**, the church will be open between **6.00pm-8.00pm** for a prayer vigil to mark the start of the diocesan Year of Prayer which starts on Advent Sunday. Please do pop in, even if only for a short while.

**Toy Sunday** We welcome people to present new children's toys for Family Support Work at the Family Service on Advent Sunday (**3rd December – 9.45**) Please leave them unwrapped so that they can be given to children of the appropriate age.

Full Christmas Dates next month, although advance notice that the **Cuckfield Nativity** will be taking place on **Thursday 21st December** this year.

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## **TARIRO: HOPE FOR YOUTH IN ZIMBABWE**

### **'Jackdaw' Jars 4 Chickens Appeal**

'Tariro' means 'hope' in Shona, one of the two main languages of Zimbabwe. It is also the name of one of the charities Holy Trinity Church's Outreach Committee supports.

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*The Outreach Committee*

# CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2017

We are delighted to welcome the **Chailey Heritage Foundation** as our partner charity at this year's Festival.

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The Mothers' Union at Holy Trinity welcomed the Revd. Jean Sedgley to our October meeting. Jean had prepared an interesting meditation built upon Art – art galleries and how they can be so different – individual works of art, the artists and feelings/emotions which artists and sculptors portrayed through their finished pieces. Jean soon had us all taking part when she spread out a large selection of random pictures – scenes, objects, portraits and even cartoon style pictures. We were each to choose a picture which might relate to our feelings at that particular time. Everyone had something different to say about their choice of picture – why they chose that particular one and what memories or feelings it had provoked for them. This was interesting, and sometimes funny as well.

Finally we closed with The Grace, and a prayer remembering and appreciating God's gifts shown to us in nature, and beautiful things which we can see, enjoy, accept and use in life's journey. Thank you, Jean.

*Heather Hollis*

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## **CUCKFIELD LADIES' GROUP UPDATE**

We began our new programme with a 'Bring and Share' lunch at Pamela and Wilf Knighton's. The members provided an excellent buffet of savoury and sweet dishes which were enjoyed by us all. We decided on the future monthly meetings and the charities we would support this year. Our thanks to Pamela and Wilf for the venue and kind provision of the drinks.

Our group has donated £180 to 'St. Peter and St. James Hospice' and we shall present a cheque for £180 to the local Parkinson's society at their October meeting. Both charities were favourites of Rosemary Baxter, who was a great fundraiser and friend of us all.

*Jan Bryan*

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**'Thirty Years On'** Cuckfield Museum remembers the 1987 Hurricane with memories, pictures and a recreation of what life was like with no heating, light or hot water!

**The Museum's last talk of the year** will be on **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 book a place, please phone Mike Nicholson 01444 457448 or email [events@cuckfieldmuseum.org](mailto:events@cuckfieldmuseum.org)**

**Two delightful Christmas presents now on sale in the Museum for anyone who loves Cuckfield:**

**'The Cuckfield Alphabet tea towel'** witty, informative and beautifully designed by Peggy Alves, price £7.

**'Old Cuckfield'** a new book of old photographs of Cuckfield, compiled by David Jamieson, price £10. David brings fascinating insights to these images, many of which have not been seen before.

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## **OLD CUCKFIELD**

*Old Cuckfield*, a book celebrating in words and photographs the growth of the town of Cuckfield, has just been published on behalf of Cuckfield Museum. The book, which complements previous books, contains historical information and photographic images from the Museum's archives, many of which have not previously been published.

David Jamieson has prepared the text using the knowledge and memories of Cuckfield residents, and has been helped in particular by Richard Constable and Andy Revell.

The introduction to the book starts with the quote, "Mankind is divided into two great categories, those who love Cuckfield and those who don't or who do not know it." It seeks to describe the development of the community, its life and people, from Ansty to Brook Street, and to enhance the understanding of those who "love" the town and its history.

At present the book, which costs £10, can be purchased at Cuckfield Museum, in the Queen's Hall. All proceeds will be supporting the Museum's activities.



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# Sussex

## Wildlife Trust

### **Red Alert: Incoming transmission**

*by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust*

Tseep. For centuries we have looked to the stars above hoping for a sign. An answer to all our problems. Tseep. And each November we get one. But we're just too wrapped up in our little lives to notice. Tseep. Stand anywhere in our county on a clear November night and listen. Tseep. There it is again; a thin, sibilant whistle. Somewhere, up there between Sussex and the moon, something is happening. Tseep. As the Earth slowly turns and the seasons change that noise is the sound of our big, old planet on the move. It's the sound of the redwing.

Redwing are small thrushes, like a pale, streaky-breasted blackbird. Their name comes from the flash of red revealed by the birds in flight – an underwing that looks like it has been rubbed raw from flying. Their furrowed 'eyebrows' and blonde, drooping 'moustache' give them the appearance of a permanently annoyed Scandinavian – and that's exactly what they are.

The planet turns, the bit at the top gets colder and redwing are begrudgingly forced to flee from the freeze and head for the warmth of England. Once here they roam the countryside in nomadic flocks, constantly harassed by the weather during their anxious search for berries and wild fruits.

The scale of the annual redwing invasion is massive – maybe a million birds, but this number changes each year depending on the weather conditions further north. Those

that do arrive in Sussex are kettled around the county by cold fronts. 40,000 redwing were observed passing Beachy Head ahead of an advancing storm on Feb 16th 1969; a blizzard of snowflakes and blazing armpits.

They mostly migrate under cover of the night. That 'tseeep' is their contact call; a single note of reassurance for their fellow travellers. Novelist John Fowles described it perfectly; "a sudden small gleam of old silver in a dark room".

Redwing breed across a wide northerly stretch of our planet running from Iceland to the Kolyma Basin in eastern Siberia. In March and April they'll leave Sussex and chase the retreating winter back to their defrosting fjords. But until then stare up at the stars and listen out for that thin, wild, mercury whistle. Tseeep. A gentle reminder that, whatever your own little problems are, they're insignificant. You're just a tiny part of something much bigger; a planet on the move.

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# NOVEMBER GARDEN NOTES

“November comes  
And November goes,  
With the last red berries  
And the first white snows.

With night coming early,  
And dawn coming late,  
And ice in the bucket  
And frost by the gate.

The fires burn  
And the kettles sing,  
And earth sinks to rest  
Until next spring.”

- *Elizabeth Coatsworth*

In November gardening time is quite limited, especially when coupled with damp, grey weather, when the sun fails to make an appearance for several days. No wonder hedgehogs hibernate, swallows have long since flown to warmer climes and birdsong is subdued. Often the first frosts arrive, turning sedums and other herbaceous soggy and brown. Leaves lie in soggy carpets for the gardener to clear up - unless strong winds have blown them into corners under the shelter of evergreen trees, where they remain dry. Thick waterproof gloves are a great asset if you suffer from poor circulation.

Autumn has been a little earlier this year; Nerines in full flower early October, Nyssas, Liquidambers and Acers showing their gorgeous tints of red, purple and yellow colours too. Most summer bedding has petered out except begonias, impatiens, verbenas and geraniums which are still blooming (but not for much longer).

Village/communal bonfires are great for getting rid of garden rubbish, but try to compost leaves you've raked up, along with stems of sweetcorn, asparagus, squashes and other plants cleared or cut down.

On the pruning list are Calluna heathers, Escallonias, Hebes, and shrub roses when flowers have gone over. Reduce Buddleias, pruning off half the length of this year's growth if you haven't got around to them yet. Fig trees, vines and autumn raspberries can be pruned now, and other bush fruit if you didn't tackle them earlier.

November, gloom apart, is a great month for getting stuck into project work before Christmas festivities divert us. Clear perennial weeds, lift and divide (or throw out) large congested clumps of perennials, move plants, plant new hedging, fruit trees and bush fruit as bare root plants (cheaper than pot grown, and should establish well if planted this month). Maintenance jobs include cleaning off mowers properly when you reckon to have cut for the last time this year, cleaning and oiling tools, washing greenhouses, clearing leaves and moss from gutters and drains, scrubbing patios and paths (jet wash or use a cleaner.)

Keep a check on bulbs being forced for Christmas - paperwhites, hyacinths, amaryllis - and move into a cooler place if advancing too fast and vice versa (always a juggling act). Keep moist but not soggy.

Indoor cyclamen will last best if kept on a cool windowsill - west or north facing - and not near a radiator. Water from the base, standing the pot in a saucer, and dispose of excess water. Likewise, stand Azaleas in a saucer of water - but they need plenty of water when in full bloom.

*Lindsay Shurvell*



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## **IN POST-ISIS IRAQ THE CHALLENGES ARE GREATER THAN EVER**

This week the Iraqi army retook Hawija, the last major Iraqi town under ISIS control. This followed the news that the group's leader, Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, is still alive, although his exact whereabouts are unknown. While ISIS appears to be on the way out, the humanitarian disaster it has created continues. Over

3 million people are still displaced, half of which are children, with 11 million people needing humanitarian assistance.



*Delivering fresh food to Debaga IDP camp in Makhmour*

This week we delivered fresh food to IDP (Internally Displaced People) camps in Iraqi Kurdistan, including Debaga (one of the largest IDP camps in Iraq). The occupants are mainly Sunni Muslims, the largest group victimised by ISIS. The camps also play host to Yazidis, Shabaks and Kaka'i, minority groups which were also targeted. In 2016, the US State Department and the EU designated the persecution of these groups (along with Christians) as “genocide”.



*FRRME provides relief supplies to people of all religions in Iraq*

Last week, we invited our supporters to complete a short survey about our work. 235 people replied and the results were very interesting. 92% of you believe the 'advancement of the Christian religion' is a very important objective (we agree). 63% of you believe we should prioritise our support for Christians (which we do), with a third saying we should help all groups equally. In terms of where we should focus our efforts, 89% of you said Iraq, with Jordan in second place and Israel/Palestine important to nearly half of those who took part. A lot of people commented that they could not really say where we should concentrate our work and trusted us to make wise decisions based on our assessment of needs.



*Handing out coupons to Iraqi Christian refugees at the Greek Catholic Church in Fuheis, Jordan*

In Jordan this week we gave out coupons to Iraqi Christian refugees at the Greek Catholic Church in Fuheis. The coupons can be used in four different supermarkets and newly-arrived families can buy all sorts of essential items with them, from food to electric fan heaters, blankets and pillows. While they are safe from persecution, Iraqi refugees are not permitted to work in Jordan, which means they have no means of income. Through our partnership with four churches, we are helping to feed 700 Iraqi refugee families while their asylum applications to western countries are processed.

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## FROM CUCKFIELD MAGAZINE NOVEMBER 1917

**The Roll of Honour** – The list of the Cuckfield men who have given their lives for their King and country is unfortunately very long, and we have now to add three more names: 2nd Lieutenant Wilfrid F. Fisher, Private James Rowland and Private Fred. C. Anscombe.

It will be remembered that Mr. Wilfrid Fisher was reported missing on July 20th, and after more than two months of anxious suspense, his parents have heard that he died on July 24th. No details are known, but it is presumed that he died of wounds, a prisoner of war in the hands of the Germans. We offer our sincere sympathy to Canon and Mrs. Fisher and also to Miss Maberly in their bereavement.

On September 26th Private James Rowland, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Rowland, of South Street, was killed in action, and the tribute which was paid to him by the officer of his platoon; that “he did his duty to the very last and set a fine example to his comrades,” is one that his parents will value.

It is also with great regret that we have to record the death of Private Frederick C. Anscombe, who was killed in action on October 7th. As a boy he was a member of the Parish Church Choir. He joined up at the beginning of the war and went to France. Wounded in July, 1916, he was in hospital in England for a long time. He was home on leave early in the summer and took part in the Empire Day celebration at the School. A splendid tribute to his courage has been given by the officer commanding his section, who, in a letter to his father, says “Your son’s death was, from a soldier’s point of view, a glorious one. He gave his all to try and help comrades in distress.” Mr. and Mrs. A. Anscombe have the sincere sympathy of all of us in their great sorrow.

We record also, with great regret, the death, which took place in India, of Private George Franks, Before he joined up, he was a gardener at Moonhill. The sad news has also just been received that Lance-Corporal Percy Harold Selby, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Selby, of Brook Street, was killed in action on October 4th, but no details are known. Great sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Selby, especially as this is the second son whom they have lost in the war, their eldest son, William, having been killed in the early autumn of 1914.

We also sorry to hear that 2nd Lieutenant Stanley Wood is in hospital at Rouen, having been seriously injured by a gunshot wound in the head, and that Lance-Corporal Jack Ansell, Royal Fusiliers, has been reported as missing from September 19th-22nd. We hope that good news of them both will soon be received.

We have been very pleased to welcome home on leave from the Front several of our Cuckfield men, including Capt. McConnel, D.S.O., Hussars, Gunner John Stevens, R.M.L.I., Gunner H. J. Green, R.G.A., Driver William Jennings, R.F.A., Corporal Wm. Bennett, M.G.C., Privates Norman Bowell, Newnham, Claude Selby and John Young, all of whom were very well and wonderfully cheerful. Sergeant Tanner, Rifle Brigade, who was married in our Church in 1915 to Miss Mabel Ede, is now home on leave, having just come out of hospital after being twice wounded in action. We wish to congratulate him on having won the Military Medal, which was awarded to him for bravery at Ypres.

**The Harvest Thanksgiving** – We are all under a great debt of gratitude to the ladies who so kindly undertook the decorations for the Harvest Thanksgiving Services at the Parish Church and also at St. John's, Ansty, and All Saints', Brook Street. We wish also to express our thanks to all those, and they were many in number, who sent such a profusion of flowers for the decorations, and also fruit and vegetables. Of these we were able to send a van load to the Vegetable Products Committee at Haywards Heath, and a letter of sincere thanks has been received from the Hon. General Secretary in London, who says, "I can assure you that you have the deep gratitude of the recipients to whom these gifts mean not only very real pleasure, which they could not otherwise enjoy, but also are an actual source of strength to them, in that they prove the thoughts of those at home are with them in their tedious and dangerous work at sea. Please thank all concerned in these gifts on my behalf. "A letter has also been sent by Sir David Beatty to the Central Committee, in which he says: "I should like to take the opportunity of expressing through you to all branches of the Vegetables Products Committee, my grateful thanks as well as those of all the officers and men of the Grand Fleet, for the large amount of labour and money which has been so generously and voluntarily expended on their welfare. The gifts of fresh vegetables so frequently received and in such large quantities are very much appreciated by everybody, and have done much to maintain the health of the Fleet."

**All Saints' Day** – On All Saints' Day there will be at the Parish Church a Celebration of Holy Communion at 11 a.m., as well as at 8 a.m., with a Special Commemoration of those who have fallen in the war, and the offerings at both services will be given to a war charity.

On the evening of the Sunday after All Saints' Day there will be at the Parish Church, at the close of Evensong, a short programme of vocal and instrumental music:

**The Mothers' Union** – A Service for Mothers will be held on Wednesday, November 8th, at 3 p.m., when an address will be given. Mrs. McConnel, the Enrolling Member, will be pleased to receive the names of any who would like to join our Branch of the Union.

**Girls' Friendly Society** – A service will be held on Wednesday, November 14th, at 5 p.m. All members of the local Branch are requested to come.

**Missionary Intercessions** – Thursday, November 29th, the Eve of St. Andrew's Day, will be observed as a day of Intercession on behalf of the Mission Work of the Church in our Colonies and Dependencies and in Foreign Lands. There will be a continuous Chain of Intercession from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and a time table will be placed in the porch on which those who are willing to take part in the intercessions are asked to put their names and the period of time during which they will be in the Church. Helps to Intercession will be supplied.

**For our Sailors** – The good work which Miss Agnes Weston does among the men of the King's Navy is well known, and so the Vicar ventures to commend to his readers the following appeal which he has received:-

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Miss O'Brien, Hillfield House, our Parochial Secretary for Missions to Seamen, will be pleased to receive early in December and to forward to Miss Weston any gifts which may be sent to her.

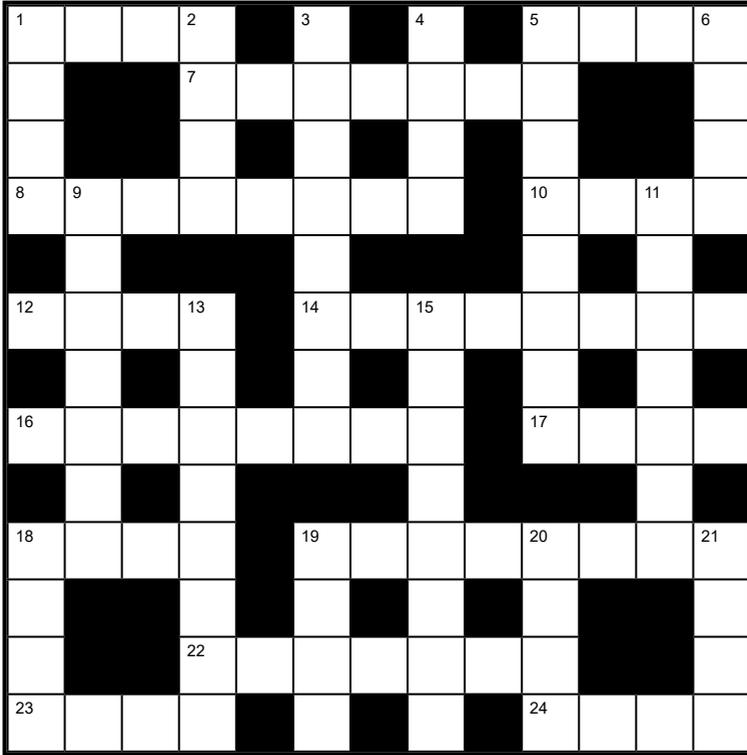
**Mr. A. Browne** – The members of the congregation will hear with great regret that Mr. A. Browne, our Clerk, is very seriously ill. We are glad to say that there is a slight improvement

**Pound Day** – Mrs. Wilson wishes to express her thanks to all the contributors on the Pound Day for the Cottage Hospital. She was able to forward to the Hospital a large quantity of groceries of different kinds and some vegetables, and £7 16s. in money. It was a generous response, especially considering the many appeals now being made. The Matron of the Hospital has also written to Mrs. Wilson to express her very hearty thanks to all who contributed so liberally to the collection.

**The Red Cross** – Hearty congratulations are due to all those who arranged and managed the Gift Shop on behalf of "Our Day," and also to Mrs. Lampson and Mrs. Preston, who arranged the concerts on Oct. 22nd for the V.A.D. Hospital and the Nursing Association. As the result of the Gift Shop a cheque for £310 11s. has been sent to Lady Brassey, and the Hospital has received £26 13s. 4d. out of the proceeds of the concerts.

**Fire at Copyhold Cottage** – In the early morning of Oct. 23rd, we had a striking example of the terror and danger of fire when Copyhold Cottage was completely burnt out. The Hon. Mrs. Lyon and Mrs. Dalton had an alarming experience, and they have the sympathy of us all in the great losses which they have sustained, but it was a merciful thing that they and the other occupants of the house got out in safety and unhurt.

# November Crossword



**ACROSS**

- 1. HARDENS (4)
- 5. TRAP (4)
- 7. PRESCRIBED FORM OF WORSHIP (7)
- 8. ROOM IN A CHURCH (8)
- 10. HADES (4)
- 12. MIX (4)
- 14. EXAMPLE (8)
- 16. USED IN THE WAR (5,3)
- 17. GARDEN (4)
- 18. EMPLOYER (4)
- 19. AFFAIRS (8)
- 22. COLOURLESS LIQUIDS (7)
- 23. TENT (4)
- 24. SONG OF PRAISE (4)

**DOWN**

- 1. TRESSPASSES (4)
- 2. DISPARAGE (4)
- 3. HOARDING AWAY (8)
- 4. PLEAD (4)
- 5. ENTRANCE (8)
- 6. BAD (4)
- 9. SUNG IN CHURCH (7)
- 11. READING SUPPORT (7)
- 13. RESPECTFUL (8)
- 15. HOLDS UP (8)
- 18. HORRID (4)
- 19. LITTLE ROAD (4)
- 20. BELT (4)
- 21. ISRAEL (4)

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<b>Mothers' Union</b>	Tuesday 14 November 10am "Points of Contact" Please contact Ros Thunder 417103 for more details
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1.SETS 5.LURE 7.LITURGY 8.SACRISTY 10.HELL 12.STIR 14.INSTANCE 16.NERVE  
GAS 17.EDEN 18.USER 19.LIAISONS 22.NONANES 23.YURT 24.HYMN

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1.SINS 2.SLUR 3.STASHING 4.PRAY 5.LYCHGATE 6.EVIL 9.ANTHEMS 11.LECTERN  
13.REVERENT 15.SUSTAINS 18.UGLY 19.LANE 20.SASH 21.SION

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# Regular Events (continued)

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**Royal British Legion**  
*(Women's Section)* 4 November – Poppy Appeal Morning 10.30am – 12noon  
12 November – Remembrance Sunday  
22 November – 'Gongoozling for Beginners' Neil Sadler  
Meetings take place at 2.30pm in The Old School, Cuckfield

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**Cuckfield Crafts and Market** For information or to book contact Beverley Smith  
01444 440274 or Jane Ravell 01444 451454

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**Cuckfield Local Market** 9.30am to 12.30pm. Food Market at The Talbot, High Street, Cuckfield. (Monthly)

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**Cuckfield Evening Flower Club** 10 November - TBC

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**Cuckfield Ladies Group** Tuesday 7 November 8pm Film Evening 'Little Voice' at Jan Bryan's  
For more details please contact Jan Bryan 414891

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**Solo Lunch** The next Solo Lunch will be on 5 November. Tickets £5 available from the Church office

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**Cuckfield Evening WI** 21 November – Peter Lovett "Bloody history of the Adur Valley and seven 1000 year old churches"  
Meetings from September take place at 7.30pm at the Cuckfield Baptist Church, Polestub Lane

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## **HOLY BAPTISM**

Henry Arthur James CUMING  
Abigail Christina TURNEY

## **HOLY MATRIMONY**

Anthony Simon EDWARDS and Jayne Alexandra SWANN

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Albert SMITH	Aged 70
Frank William MARSHALL	Aged 96
Dennis Michael MURPHY	Aged 78
Margaret Cecilia BROOKER	Aged 90

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# November 2017 Calendar & Readings for Sunday Services

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## **SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS**

8.00am Holy Communion

*Revelation 7: 9-end; 1 John 3: 1-3;  
Matthew 5: 1-12*

9.45am Family Service

11.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)  
*1 John 3: 1-3; Matthew 5: 1-12*

6.00pm Sung Evensong

*Isaiah 65: 17-end; Hebrews 11: 32-12: 2*

## **SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

9.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)

*Amos 5: 18-24; 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-end;  
Matthew 25: 1-13*

10.45am Service of Remembrance

6.00pm Evening Communion

## **SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER – 2 BEFORE ADVENT**

8.00am Holy Communion

*As 9.45am*

9.45am Parish Eucharist

*Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-end; 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11;  
Matthew 25: 14-30*

6.00pm Choral Evensong

*1 Kings 1: 1-14; Revelation 1: 4-18*

## **SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER – CHRIST THE KING**

8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)

*As 9.45am*

9.45am Parish Eucharist

*Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24; Ephesians 1: 15-end  
Matthew 25: 31-end*

6.00pm Sung Evensong

*1 Maccabees 2: 15-29; Matthew 28: 16-end*

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# Holy Trinity Cuckfield

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## **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