

WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM OUR VICAR, ALEX – 15th August 2021

Dear Church Family Members and Parish Friends,

Hoping this news email finds you well.

It contains information on the following:

1. Booking links for this Sunday's services (15th August 2021)
2. Our Joint service on Sunday 22nd August
3. Our Parish picnic on Sunday 22nd August
4. The next parish walk
5. A message from the Sanderson family
6. The link to Simon's sermon from last week
7. Information about confidential declaration forms

Love and prayers

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1. **Booking links for this Sunday's services (15th August 2021)**

To book to attend the 9 am service at St. Paul's this Sunday (15th August), please use this link: <https://forms.gle/wvbuxN3WzEL7F43JA>

To book to attend the 11 am service at St. Mary's this Sunday (15th August), please use this link: <https://forms.gle/a3Xthd7P8MHAVrjD9>

Both services will be Zoomed as usual and the links for this & all the supporting documents will be sent out on Saturday.

2. **Our Joint service on Sunday 22nd August**

A reminder that on Sunday 22nd August we will have our next joint service, on Zoom, at 10.00 am (instead of the services at 9/ 11 am in the churches). Information on this, including the Zoom link will be sent out on Saturday 21st ready for the service the next day.

3. **Our Parish picnic on Sunday 22nd August**

Everyone in our church family is invited to a church family picnic, on the Vicarage Lawn on Sunday 22nd August (providing the weather is suitable for this).

Please turn up anytime from 12pm (finishing time 2pm ish), bringing your own picnic and your own chair/s or whatever you would like to sit on.

Please pray for good weather! It would be wonderful to us to be able to be together, outside, in a way that everyone feels comfortable and safe to participate.

4. **The next church walk**

Our next parish walk is on the morning of Saturday 21st August and will be led by Ruth and Paul Boughton.

It is a Reigate and Colley Hills walk and the route is attached.

Please contact Ruth if you would like to join the group that morning: ruth.boughton@btinternet.com

5. **A message from the Sanderson family**

The Sanderson family - David, Lucy and Jack - send their thanks to everyone from the church family who have prayed for them, sent cards and attended Sue's funeral last Friday.

They have felt very loved and supported by us all.

A few people have been asking Lucy for a copy of the tribute she wrote about her mum. She has sent this to me for sharing with anyone who would like to read it - please do send me (Alex) a message and I will forward this to you.

6. **The link to Simon's sermon from last week**

The YouTube link to Simon's excellent sermon on 'Tending to human needs' last week is here: <https://youtu.be/YecufrDFaE>

Please do have a listen if you haven't had the chance already.

7. **Confidential declaration forms**

We are currently updating our safeguarding paperwork in the parish, which means that we will be writing to some of you who hold responsibility roles involving children or potentially vulnerable adults to ask you to fill in a confidential declaration form about your work.

This is something which requires regular updating, so even if you have filled out this paperwork you may be asked to do so again. If you have renewed your DBS in the last year, you will have already done this as part of that process.

Please look out for the letters in the next couple of months and help us by returning the paperwork promptly if you can.

Please do ask if you have any questions.

Love and prayers,
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