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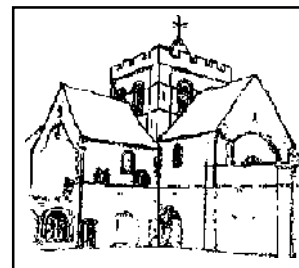
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From Father Ian

All Souls

On Thursday, November 2nd at 7.30pm we shall celebrate
Our traditional All Souls Requiem



The theology behind a Requiem Mass holds deep significance within the Anglican-Catholic tradition. Rooted in the belief in the resurrection and the hope for eternal life, a Requiem Mass is a solemn and sacred liturgical celebration offered for the repose of the souls of the deceased.

At the heart of the theology of the Requiem Mass is the understanding that death is not the end but a transition to a new and eternal life. It acknowledges the reality of human mortality while emphasizing the belief in the resurrection and the promise of salvation through Christ.

The Requiem Mass takes its name from the opening words of the Latin text, "Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine," meaning "Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord." This prayerful plea is central to the Mass, as it seeks God's mercy and forgiveness for the souls of the departed, asking for their eternal rest and peace.

Throughout the Requiem Mass, various prayers, hymns, and scripture readings are incorporated to express the Church's teachings on death, judgment, and the hope of eternal life. The liturgy for this at Boxgrove, is offered solemnly, and reflectively, inviting participants to contemplate the mystery of life and death, and to pray for the souls of the departed. Names of the departed for inclusion in the prayers can be added to the list at the back of the church until midday on 1st November.

The Requiem Mass is an act of charity and love expressed by the living for the dead. It is an opportunity for family, friends, and the community to gather together in prayer, offering their support and consolation to those who mourn. It serves as a reminder of the communion of saints, where the living and the dead are united in the Body of Christ. It is our custom at Boxgrove, at the end of the mass, to raise a glass to absent friends.

In summary, the theology of a Requiem Mass encompasses the belief in the resurrection, the hope for eternal life, and the power of prayer and intercession. It provides a sacred space for both the living and the departed, offering solace, comfort, and the assurance of God's love and mercy.

Blessings,

Father Ian

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Heidi & Jonathan

Funeral

Rose Smith

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CALENDAR AND INTERCESSIONS

NOVEMBER

1	Wed	Feria	Those caring for the Dying
2	Thu	ALL SOULS	The Departed
3	Fri	Saint Winefride, Virgin	Pilgrims to Holywell
4	Sat	Saint Charles Borromeo	Education for all
5	SUN	FOURTH BEFORE ADVENT [week 31]	Parish and people
6	Mon	Saint Leonard of Limoges, Abbot	Prisoners
7	Tue	Saint Willibrord, Bishop	The Old Catholic Church
8	Wed	All Saints of England	Confidence in Christ
9	Thu	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	The Diocesan Advisory Committee
10	Fri	Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor	Greater use of the Sacraments
11	Sat	Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop [<i>Armistice Day</i>]	The War Dead
12	SUN	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY [week 32]	THE WAR DEAD
13	Mon	Feria	The Departed
14	Tue	Feria	The Bishop of Chichester
15	Wed	Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor	The Suffragan Bishops
16	Thu	Saint Gertrude, Virgin	The Assistant Bishops
17	Fri	Saint Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop	Wise Leadership in the Church
18	Sat	Of Our Lady	The grace to be merciful
19	SUN	SECOND BEFORE ADVENT [week 33]	Parish and people
20	Mon	Saint Edmund, Martyr	Those in East Anglia
21	Tue	Presentation of the BVM	Walsingham
22	Wed	Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr	Musicians
23	Thu	Saint Clement, Pope and Martyr	Church historians
24	Fri	Saint Andrew Dung Lac, Pr & comps, Martyrs	Courage in mission
25	Sat	Of Our Lady	The bereaved
26	SUN	CHRIST THE KING	Parish and people
27	Mon	Feria	The Departed
28	Tue	Feria	The Departed
29	Wed	Feria	The Departed
30	Thu	Saint Andrew the Apostle	The Scottish Nation

The Eucharist is not, in Christian practice, a reward for good behaviour; it is the food we need to prevent ourselves from starving as a result of our own self-enclosure and self-absorption, our pride and our forgetfulness. Rowan Williams

PRIORY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets on the **first and third** Sunday of each month during term- time (excluding holidays) at 10.20am in the St Blaise Centre, then to go over to the Priory for the second half of the service.

Children should be aged between 4 and 11 and they must have already started school. They are asked to arrive promptly, so that the objective of the session can be explained to everyone at once.

There is no charge and parents do not need to accompany the children. They don't need to bring anything with them - just to come along!

For further information about our Sunday School, please contact Vicky Willavise by email at vickywillavise@outlook.com.

We are always looking for more volunteers to support the Sunday School. If you would like to find out more, please contact Vicky Willavise (as above.)



Keep an eye on "What's on at the Cathedral"
(www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on-chichester-cathedral) for all sorts of resources - services, lectures, concerts, exhibitions, and of course the new [Cloisters Kitchen & Garden](#)



OLD IMAGES OF BOXGROVE

Are you from an old Boxgrove family, or have you lived in the village for a long time? If so, can I ask you, please to help me with a project?

I have, over the past twenty-odd years been trying to establish a collection of old photos of Boxgrove, and would be glad if you could add to the collection.

Rather shockingly, history quickly disappears, and views of the village, and its occupants, soon fade from the community memory.

I am very grateful to the Blunden family for sending me some pictures for the collection, and here is this month's offering.

Fr Ian



Halnaker Corner
(Mrs Blunden, nee Pennicott, Draper)



Visit the **Sussex Snowdrop Trust's** website at <https://www.thesussexsnowdroptrust.com/> to read about the wonderful work they do for children and their families.



Hello from the Hall,

This month we joined in with the country's largest coffee morning and raised a fantastic £436 for Macmillan Cancer Support. It was a great morning and we were overwhelmed by the support from both local businesses and individuals baking/donating cakes and our local community coming and donating to such a worthy cause. We can't wait for the next one!

As the weather turns colder (on some days!) and the year draws to a close, we only have two events left of 2023. Christmas in Boxgrove- our craft market and family day- on Saturday 2nd December from 12-4pm where we are fully booked for indoor stallholders (some outside spaces still available). There will be hot food, mulled wine and mince pies available, live music, face painting and of course Santa will be in his grotto again!

Lastly, our children's Christmas party will be on Saturday 16th December from 2-4pm. This event is subsidised by the village hall to ensure as many local children can come as possible! This year there will be a small charge to limit the amount of people booking tickets and not attending. It was disappointing to many local children last year who missed out on joining in with the party from people who booked tickets and then did not attend the party or cancel their booking. Tickets will be available on a first come, first served basis in the coming weeks, so please keep an eye on our social media or call the hall on 01243788332 for more information.

Until next time...

Friends in the garden

I am a frequent listener to GQT (those of you not in the know, Gardener's Question Time) and the panel of experts are often asked *"If you were to leave your current garden which plant would you most like to take with you?"*

I would find this almost impossible to answer because my garden is a horticultural autograph book. You remember those elaborately embossed books which you would take to school at the end of the year and ask your friends to sign? And your doting uncle would put in a postage stamp with the caption "By gum it's stuck".

Well I look around my garden and have signatures of friends and family who, over the 35 years that we have lived at High Trees, have given me various living things - many of which have passed away (the plants that is, not the relatives) but others which are thriving (ditto). A walk around the garden reminds me of these friends both past and present.



Nephew and great-nephew under BFG

The best and most long-lasting gift for the garden to someone is a tree. I have already bored you with the account of my memory of the 1987 gale when I grew the seeds from a *Pinus Radiata* cone and ended up with a BFG (Big, friendly giant). In this photo nephew Mark and great-nephew Oliver are standing beneath the tree. When Mark was the same age as Oliver he was taller than it and able to decorate it with the Christmas lights! It was also Mark who shinned up the eminently climbable branches to hang the Tawny owl box which he 'wittily' called *Hooters*. Sadly no hooting had ever come from said box though we did have buzzing one year when a nest of European hornets took up residence.

Another tree we have in the garden is an *Acer Negundo Flamingo* which was given to us in 2003 by a grateful parent when we left Storrington Primary School. (Teaching there, that is, and maybe they were grateful we were leaving!) It is planted quite near to the house and from it we hang various squirrel-proof bird feeders which are well used. The birds are able to rest and eat in the tree and then flit down to the feeders for another beak-ful. Sadly we have not yet had a flamingo land in it.

Many people feed birds with feeders which are quite exposed; but hanging them from the branches of a tree gives them a bolt hole from the talons of the local sparrow hawk.

Another tree which graces the garden in another pine - a Bhutan pine (*Pinus wallachiana Griffithii*). We were given this tree when it was very small which had been planted in a friend's seaside garden but had not been particularly happy in a sea-spray



Acer with bird feeders



Bhutan Pine in the distance

environment and had developed a curious bent trunk which it still retains to this day. However in a garden 3 miles from the sea (as the seagull flies) it had been perfectly happy and provides us with the most extraordinary banana shaped cones with which to light the fire and decorate the house at Christmas.

Those of you old enough to remember 1973 reasonably clearly may just recall the government incentive to plant trees with the catchphrase "Plant a tree in seventy-three". This was because of a virulent strain of Dutch Elm disease which was rampaging through the UK killing millions of elm trees. My school bought in a large number of saplings of Hawthorn, Rowan and for some unfathomable reason Lawson Cypress.



Cones from the pine

We were at the end of the queue and I ended up with one of these evergreens which I thought would be 'nice' in our front garden. Well in their native California Lawson Cypress can grow up to 200 feet tall - not ideal for a suburban semidetached - especially when planted about 8 feet from the front window of the lounge! So my family added to the pithy catchphrase with the extension:



*Plant a tree in seventy-three
Buy a saw in eighty-four*

And indeed they did chop it down but not before potting up a small self-seeded sapling and giving it to me for our garden - it is in the far corner and so far has caused no undermining of the foundations of the house. We call it "Plant-a-tree"

My parents specialised in giving me trees for the garden which they thought would suit its scale. We have a native silver birch - *Betula pendulum* (only 90 feet when mature) - also provided by them. At least this is a tree which is endemic and provides food for many species - more than 300 insect species, and a variety of quite interesting birds - siskins, greenfinches and repolls among their number.

Not strictly trees but lovely and long-lived nonetheless, I have 2 shrubs which were given to me by a keen gardener who treats my garden as an overflow to his! It was he who gave me *Aralia* - the Japanese Angelica tree - though perhaps 'lovely' is not the mot juste for a plant whose common name is "the Devil's Walking stick". I have another special plant given to me by this friend which, though recommended for small gardens, will grace a large one just as well. It is *Magnolia stellata*. At a mere 8 feet in height and spreading over 15 square ft at maturity it makes quite a statement in the shrubbery with slightly fragrant flowers - in my case pure white stars with a diameter of about 10cm appearing in early spring before the foliage puts in an appearance.



Magnolia stellata

So when you are offered plants for your garden, patio or window box - do say "Yes please!" There will be offerings which you wouldn't find in a garden centre and you will have memories of your friends each time you have a stroll around the 'estate'.

TTFN

(I'll leave you to work that one out.)

News from Boxgrove Belles News from Boxgrove Belles - October 2023

The meeting began by welcoming Lynette and Gale now they are on the road to recovering after operations, and they were both very pleased to be given lovely bunches of flowers. Sylvia thanked the Belles for the amazing amount of work they did with serving the refreshments at the Dog Show at the end of September and for the many cakes they provided.

Margaret introduce our speaker Bill Gates who was going to speak on the social impact of the railways. He was an unusual speaker as he kept asking us were we bored. But he had gathered together an excellent selection of prints and photographs depicting the start of the railways in this area of Sussex. Perhaps the most noticeable fact we learnt was why the stations in the many towns and villages near here were so far away from where the people lived; it was because the owners of the estates such as Cowdray or Leconfield didn't want the trains or the stations near their own houses! He didn't mention that the coming of the railways was at the downfall of the canals; as well as passengers the railways were used to carry freight and though he did say even after they stopped carry passengers for some time they still transported freight.

With our tea we were able to choose from a selection of cakes as we had over catered for the dog show refreshments. But then the power for the kettles went off. As well as some people having to miss out on a hot drink the alarm kept beeping and we couldn't stop it.

Members were reminded that the next meeting would be both a social meeting and time to say if they are enjoying the way meetings are run and suggest ways we could change things. We would have a cupcake competition and then the cakes would be part of our tea. Also we will be asked to tick our choices for the Christmas dinner.

The meeting ended with the drawing of the raffle. It was lovely to see so many people helping to clear the hall, and a big thank you to Margaret Cleaver for being our hostess for the meeting.

Best wishes,
Jill Dipple

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REPORT ON BOXGROVE COMPANION DOG SHOW & FAIR

The 23rd Boxgrove Companion Dog Show was held at the playing field, with the use of the excellent village hall facilities on Saturday 30th September 2023. The weather was perfect for the occasion and we were thrilled to welcome about 300 dogs and their handlers, together with other visitors who enjoyed browsing the 30 stalls in the sunshine. There are too many people to thank individually for their help, be that on the day, both in front of and behind the scenes, or in the months leading up to the event. You are all indispensable and the success of our show depends so much on your support, which I know will continue as I hand over the organisation of the show to Alison Butcher. Alison has recently moved to Boxgrove and has already been most helpful with the running of this year's show. I will of course be assisting her, but I have now officially retired from the demanding lead role! The show raised the gratifying amount of just over £3,000 which we are pleased to be able to share amongst our charities; Dementia Support (Sage House), Boxgrove Priory and Boxgrove Village Hall. We have given the largest share to Dementia Support and we have sponsored the 2023 Christmas Tree Festival at Boxgrove Priory. The remainder to the village hall which will be used to sponsor the Community Events that they put on and are held during the year. Finally, again my sincere thanks to everyone who has been involved with our show throughout the years, whether it's been for one or two shows, or for all 23. I trust that you will all continue supporting this popular event as it continues to thrive. This year we attracted not only 'local' West Sussex & Surrey dogs and their handlers, but also people who travelled from as far afield as Bedfordshire, The Midlands, Wiltshire, Somerset & Devon, clearly putting our Boxgrove Dog Show on the 'must-do' Annual Events list. Sylvia Some notable prize winners: BEST IN SHOW: 'Cosmo' a 5-year-old Pointer owned by Wendy McGrath, from Crockerton, Warminster, Wiltshire RESERVE BEST IN SHOW: 'Ash' a 20-month-old Belgian Malinois owned by Elizabeth Pilypaite, from St Leonards on Sea BEST LOCAL DOG (within a 5 mile radius): 'Pip' a 23-month-old Labrador/Retriever owned by Gaye Douglas, from Chichester BEST PUPPY: 'Sparton' a 10-month-old Bearded Collie owned by Diane Thorne, from Hale, Hampshire BEST NOVELTY IN SHOW: 'Benji' a 6-year-old Lurcher owned by Natasha Larby from Over Stowey, Bridgwater, Devon RESERVE BEST NOVELTY IN SHOW: 'Ferdie' a 13-year-old Border Collie owned by Sarah Vaile from Hassocks, West Sussex

With very grateful thanks to both the old and the new, sponsors of our show Brick Kiln Garden Centre ~ Tod Anstee ~ Graham & Ben Bruce Iris Watts ~ Susan, Duchess of Richmond ~ The Tinwood Estate Chichester Canine Society ~ Mr & Mrs Henry Potter ~ Eames Motor Repairs, Maggie & David Blake ~ Angela Killick Cards ~ Healthwise Chiropractic Sussex County Dog Training ~ System 910 (Hydraulics) ~ Selsey Press Ltd Ian & Doreen Johnston ~ Maples Leaf Café ~ Great Ballard School Buzby and Blue, Hairdressers ~ The Boxgrove Village Stores The Boxgrove Physiotherapy ~ Cast Iron Coffee ~ Oving Dog Training Sandra's Dog Friendly Café ~ Bentley Dog Groomers ~ Petersfield Dog Training.

Alison Butcher

RIDE AND STRIDE 2023

So, once again this year, Ride & Stride clashed with Goodwood Revival, Saturday 9th September. I could already hear some fruity cars driving up The Street as I woke - Mistake number 1; getting off to a late start. The plan was to visit 10 'Local' St Mary's churches, in honour of the great Janet Reeves from a few years back. I had planned the route the night before - Mistake number 2; not enough planning: Boxgrove, Upwaltham, Barlavington, Fittleworth, Stopham, Pulborough, Amberley, Madehurst, Slindon and finally Aldingbourne. The ride started off well, leaving paperwork outside the Priory and signing in as visitors with Dave Loy & James, who kindly offered to join me for the first leg. The company was welcome and the long climb up through the woods to Selhurst Park Road was quiet and cool, (not sure Dave & James would agree!). The short stop at Upwaltham church prompted discussions, mostly from James, about stopping next at Cadence Cycling Cafe for 'light' refreshments - Mistake number 3; eating too much cake and coffee! Here I parted ways with Dave & James, who had to get back home, and, dodging the 1950's Porsches on the A285, headed on to Barlavington, again mostly off-road.

By now the day was starting to warm up and I was rapidly getting through the 3 liters of water I was carrying. I managed to fill my bottles again and have a thoughtfully provided snack at Fittleworth, but the route there was longer than planned, having got quite lost in the sandy woods of Coates Common. Luckily, this was mostly in the shade as, unknown to me, the temperature in the sun had started to creep up. All my route was planned on the Komoot App, and yes, required GPS – Mistake number 4

Having then found Stopham, frustratingly with sign posts taking me completely the wrong way again, I headed off to Pulborough. On arrival at Pulborough there were loads of



people, flags, music and general jollity in the air. At first I thought they had put on a welcoming party for all my efforts but, alas - Mistake number 5, it was a church fair. On the upside, I grabbed some fabulous cake and sped off through the one-way traffic lights to Amberley, oops. Not knowing this area very well off-road, and given my 2 occasions of getting lost so far, I decided to stick to the main roads, including old Stane Street. You guessed it - Mistake number 6. With very limited shade now, hot tarmac and temperatures in the sun starting to exceed 30C, I was starting to feel my energy slip away. The hills were getting steeper and I had started to notice that I was now not getting any cooler when free-wheeling down the other sides. I had so far cycled about 45km, drunk an additional 3

litres of water and not once stopped for a pee! The unusual sensation of a tingly head and arms was telling me that something was not quite right. I cycled on, with a vision in my 'mind's eye' of a large ice cool Coke, (other drinks are available), waiting for me at the riverside tea rooms in Amberley. By the time I arrived I was feeling quite rough and was contemplating the rather hot and tricky climb ahead, up the flint track to the side of Houghton Hill. The iced Coke did its work and I felt much better, but still couldn't cool myself down.



At this point, rightly or wrongly, I self-diagnosed myself as having heat stroke and, despite my enthusiasm to complete the ride, abandoned Madehurst, Slindon and Aldingbourne for another day. I ordered another Coke and called the Broom Wagon, (Mrs Peters), to come get me. First time ever on a bike ride! I sat watching the river in the shade until she arrived. Now fully recovered, and taking the generous sponsorship monies, we have all raised a fabulous £205 for the Historic Churches Trust. Roll on next year, with hopefully better planning and not quite so much sun!

Thanks,
Mark.

I offer many congratulations and thanks to Mark for his hard work and commitment to Ride and Stride

Fr Ian



A (little) history of the Cathedral

If you're welcoming visitors over the summer and want to take them to the Cathedral but are a bit nervous that they'll expect you to know more about its history than you feel you do, you can get 'ahead of the game' by reading 'A (little) history of the Cathedral' on the Cathedral's website at <https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/about-us/little-history-cathedral>.

There are also, of course, excellent guided tours: visit <https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/visiting-us/tours> to find out more.



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Christmas Events and Gift Ideas at 4Sight Vision Support

4Sight Vision Support (4SVS) is getting ready for Christmas with its annual Christmas Concert and Grand Draw, as well as offering cards and gifts for sale. Proceeds will help the charity in its work [supporting blind and sight impaired residents of all ages throughout West Sussex.](#)

[This year the annual](#) Christmas Concert with Seaford College Chapel Choir will be held on Monday 11th December in the early evening, rather than at lunchtime, to allow more people to attend after work. This is always a lovely event and 4SVS advises reserving a place well in advance to avoid disappointment, with payment then taken on the door. The Concert will be held at St Mary de Haura Church in Shoreham, tickets are just £5pp including festive refreshments.

The Grand Draw has a number of fabulous prizes, with the main prize being £250 in cash. 4Sight Vision Support is encouraging everyone to share the news of the draw with family and friends, tickets cost just £1 each and the winners will be announced at 2pm on Wednesday 20 December.

Christmas cards are available with a variety of seasonal and fun designs, please order well in advance while stocks last. And if you know someone living with sight loss, or you yourself do so and would like to drop a few hints to family and friends (!) there are gift ideas including large print playing cards, large print Scrabble, large print calendars and diaries, as well as equipment such as talking kitchen scales. For those who enjoy walking, a book of 35 'Short Rambles in the Sussex Countryside And Days Out' by volunteer Jane Aston features walks carefully designed to be suitable for everyone including those with sight loss or vision impairment.

For further information about the Concert and Prize Draw and to purchase tickets, and to enquire about Christmas cards and gifts, please call 01243 828555 or email fundraising@4sight.org.uk

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Colours of Christmas at Petworth House

Saturday 25th November - Monday 1st January

Celebrate Christmas with a colourful and tree-mendous display at Petworth House.

Explore the rooms and see show-stopping trees decked with colour and decorations bringing the collection to life.

Select rooms of the house and servants quarters will be open for Christmas from 10.30am, with last entry to the house at 4pm.

On weekends in December there will be choirs performing in the courtyard. The Christmas Makers Market will return on 2 and 3 December, with more stalls than last year.

Lino cut Christmas Cards Workshop

27th November, 10.30am - 1pm

28th November, 10.30am - 1pm

Get into the festive spirit on this lino cutting workshop to make your own Christmas cards. You will learn how to use the tools and experiment with mark making to create five A6 cards to take home. All materials will be provided, including and work sheet to take home for future help. Suitable for all skill levels, there will be design templates for inspiration, or to trace.

Includes a hot drink and mince pie.

Tickets are £50 each

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Please continue to support the Chichester District Foodbank.

Urgently needed items include tinned carrots, peas and greenbeans, sponge puddings, tinned fruit, tinned meat, rice, tinned potatoes/instant mash, tinned rice pudding/custard.

[Website link](https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/) for details of food donation points, opening hours, etc: <https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>; tel: 01243 773687

Latest News from St Wilfrid's Hospice November 2023

Christmas Tree Recycling Scheme

Is your Christmas Tree up yet?

As we move closer to Christmas and you begin to put up your real Christmas Trees, we want to make sure you don't have to worry about the hassle of getting rid of it afterwards.

St Wilfrid's Hospice is offering its Christmas Tree Recycling Scheme once again this new year to help you get rid of your real tree without making a mess. All you need to do is put it on your front lawn and then sit back as we take it away for you to be recycled.

Book your collection now for a suggested donation of £15 to support the hospice and save yourself from being covered in pine needles:

www.stwh.co.uk/christmastrees

Moonlight Walk

Enjoy a walk under the moonlight to support local hospice care.

On Saturday 15th June 2024, you can join hundreds of walkers at our event village, enjoying some great local food, entertainment and merchandise before setting off at 8pm for a 5 or 10 mile walk around Chichester.

This in-memory walk is a great way to raise money for St Wilfrid's Hospice while also enjoying a night-time stroll through Chichester, with some areas decorated specially for the Moonlight Walk.

Get your tickets now:

www.stwh.co.uk/moonlight

Winter Raffle

You could have a chance to make this Christmas extra special!

St Wilfrid's Winter Raffle is now live, offering you the chance to win amazing cash prizes including a top prize of £2,000 for as little as £1! For every ticket bought, you are helping to make a difference to local lives in the community.

The raffle closes on the 24th November, so don't miss your chance to win.

Light Up A Life - You are invited to a service of remembrance and celebration of life.

This December 10th, join St Wilfrid's at Chichester Cathedral from 6pm, where you can join many others celebrating life with readings, music and lighting a candle together, in-memory of a loved one.

This is a much-loved event and we have limited capacity, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

<https://stwh.co.uk/events/light-up-a-life-2023/>

Christmas Appeal

“Not only do St Wilfrid’s incredible staff give patients and their families personalised care and support, but they know how important it is to help families secure and capture those important moments and memories.” - Jacqui

This Christmas, Jacqui has shared her husband, Malcolm’s story and how St Wilfrid’s helped to support him and his loved ones.

If you would like to read the full story and help us to continue to support families like Malcolm’s then you can do so here:

www.stwh.co.uk/christmas-appeal



Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising free donations for Boxgrove Priory with [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/boxgrovepriory/?utm_campaign=raise-more)?

There are over 4,500 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, and it won't cost you a penny extra to help the Priory raise funds.

All you need to do is:

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2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want, and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to Boxgrove Priory at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

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Thank you for your support.



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Countryside Commuters The best houses are still being snapped up - 'He who hesitates is lost'

The changing world of buying property since 2020, and the rise of countryside commuters, alongside flexible working life has enabled many with high powered jobs to live where they would like to, rather than on what was once referred to as 'the commuter belt'.

Therefore, there is no time for deliberation with the premium homes. Often the best houses are being released by the older generation to downsize in the prime locations. There are lots of homes being agreed with discrete marketing via buying agents, since they have access to off-market local connections, probates and estate agents.

Many vendors selling would prefer a lower profile when it comes to the buying and selling process, avoiding property portals to gauge their intentions and price levels. It's important to establish who is actually considering a move.

If you are thinking of buying, you need to establish connections with others that are in the position of selling, which enable everyone involved to have more success in obtaining these homes that are imminently available but kept under wraps!

To find out more from a buying agent or local estate agent, they are 'in the know', and far more transactions being agreed than you could image without public knowledge.

"He who hesitates is lost."

If you see a property you like and it's right, then agree it, if you don't someone else will be waiting in the wings. We see this time and time again as buying agents.

The property market when you are buying the next home as your primary residence is, as we have all learnt in the past, not as important as you imagine, as price is less relevant. History confirms this, therefore the press is interesting, discussing house prices falling when it's a price correction and had a much more positive spin and not so relevant when it's your PPR .

Halifax average price index this month reports that we are still on an average 16% higher than in 2020 .

We all noticed crazy prices being achieved last year and there has been an adjustment this year which is still in the right direction.

Jennie Hancock



The Priory purchases its fuel through the Church of England's Bulk Buying scheme. But, even so, we have been told that our fuel cost for 2024 will rise from £7000 to £14000.

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We are also looking for volunteers who don't mind getting stuck in and sorting our donations; this will enable us to make the best use of them. So many people have so much experience which would be very welcome ...!



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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 10am (Coffee after Mass on Tuesday)

Wednesday and Friday at noon

On, usually, the first Sunday of the month at the 10.30am Mass the setting of the Ordinary (Kyrie, Gloria, Creed, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei) will normally be congregational, with anthems and motets sung by the choir.

Please see page 7 for Sunday School arrangements.

Readers are advised to check service times on the Priory website (<http://www.boxgrovepriory.co.uk/worship.html>), as it is necessary from time to time to amend them.

You are encouraged to attend the services in person; however, if you prefer you can still 'join in' the Mass from the Priory, 'live' or at a time which may be more convenient for you, via the Parish [Facebook](#) page.



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