

Sanderstead Team Newsletter

July 2019



Jeremy writes ...

"We are more than conquerors through him who loved us" says Paul in Romans 8:37. I've just been watching a programme featuring Canon Andrew White (the Vicar of Baghdad) who makes this his theme almost everywhere he goes. Few have known more than he the trials and tribulations of ministry in the most extreme of environments - yet he remains positive, joyful and calm constantly quoting those wonderful words.

Something else has also been going through my mind over the past few days. I have been struck by words uttered some 600 years before Christ by the prophet Obadiah (the shortest book in the Bible!): *"The house of Jacob shall possess their possessions"* (King James Version). That's a wonderful little phrase isn't it - the idea that we might be brought fully into our inheritance. As I was pondering this, for some reason my thoughts turned to the man in John 5 who, for no fewer than 38

years, had been seeking healing for his lameness. He, along with other unwell people, had been lying by a pool by the Sheep Market in Jerusalem where, periodically, a healing angel would come and stir up the water. The first person to step in would be miraculously healed of whatever disease they had. The problem for this man was that he had no-one to help him into the water, and he was unable to move by himself. So he always missed out on an opportunity to be made well.

To tell the truth, what had prompted my line of thinking was simply this: I'd be trying to get an appointment at my GP surgery - and you know how it is, you have to ring on the dot at 8am for the day's appointments. Needless to say, I repeatedly found myself just a few seconds too late so others jumped in ahead of me. It's a sad commentary on the NHS, because you can't seem to get attention until things get really bad. But I'm sure you can see the connection - as a patient needing help, I felt as powerless as this poor man. Everyone else managed to get in first!

Yet when Jesus came along, everything changed! He simply asks: "Would you like to be made whole? Rise, take your bed, and walk!". What a difference Christ makes! He does for us what we cannot do for ourselves and what no-one else can do for us.

There is a very real sense in which we need to turn to Christ and ask him to do seemingly impossible things for us - to help us "possess our possessions". As a church we have for some time now, been standing at the threshold of wonderful opportunities. Sometimes I ask myself: What are we waiting for? We can get all-too-easily distracted by other things - and my goodness we have found plenty of issues to distract us lately. I hope we will use the coming weeks and months to "possess our possessions" and enter into some of the plans that God has in store for us as we seek to serve his mission in our community. I'm really keen for us to resume our Mission Action Planning and move forward - otherwise, we risk languishing on the side-lines waiting for something to happen. God, in Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit has given us all the resources we need to be "more than conquerors".

On a personal level, can I express how much Sandra and I have appreciated your prayers over the last few weeks. I hope to be restored to full health and vigour after my next bit of surgery in a couple of weeks. And we were both delighted and encouraged to see so many of you at Sandra's commissioning service at the Cathedral. We look forward to continuing to serve you as a team - believe it or not, it's just 4 years since we arrived in Sanderstead! Thank you for all your prayers, cards, messages, emails and words of encouragement - we have felt buoyed and thoroughly loved through the past month!

Revd Jeremy



“Beauty ... and brokenness”

Calling all photographers (again!)

Last year we launched our new screens with a wonderful display of photographs provided by members of the congregation.

Today I’m launching another display entitled “Beauty...and brokenness”. Quite simply this is on similar lines to last year’s display - but I would like to see contrasting images not only of beautiful things (of which there were plenty last year) but also of some of the brokenness that is present in our world. I’m sure you’ll be able to use your imagination, but the kind of things I have in mind include images showing ways in which humankind has spoiled the beautiful world which God has given to us. I’m hoping to see some wonderfully “green” images but perhaps also some images that show ecological damage and degradation.

You all have wonderful imaginations and I hope I will get at least as many as the 135 excellent photographs you sent in last year! This is open to anyone - Church members or not, professional or amateur. The only limitation is a maximum of 5 pictures per person.

You have a couple of months to get snapping. I plan to show them in a special “Taste and See” service on the last Sunday in September. So please make sure I get them all by Sunday 7 September. My email is jeremy@sanderstead-parish.org.uk.

Now go in peace...to take some decent photos!

Jeremy



Mission News

† UNITED SOCIETY
PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL

USPG has 2 new resources:

i) "Open to Encounter" which explores the changing role of mission around the world in the 21st century. To quote Revd Duncan Dormor, the General Secretary, "It's an invitation to go beyond your comfort zone, as Jesus did, to meet people of different cultures and to stand with the marginalised and dispossessed." It's an invitation to join with USPG on a journey towards being more globally aware. Available to download from www.uspg.org.uk/resources/open-to-encounter

ii) A new "Welcome to USPG" leaflet downloadable from www.uspg.org.uk/resources/welcome-to-uspg

Mothers' Union:



How the "Away From It All" scheme is providing support and relief for families in need.

Mothers' Union members regularly provide various types of breaks for more than 4000 people a year in the UK & Ireland through our long running "Away From It All" (AFIA) scheme, which is intended to support families who are experiencing stressful times and would otherwise not have the opportunity of a holiday. For example, Sarah and her 10-year old son Michael who live in Wales. Referred by a substance misuse social worker who has been working with Sarah for eight years, she and her son were granted a caravan break from Mothers' Union, following a year of Sarah having been free from alcohol. Despite apprehension if she would be able to take her son and how they would cope with the trip, both of them managed very well. Supported by their social worker who was at hand to offer transport and kept in touch with them daily, they enjoyed new found freedoms such as swimming and Michael riding his bike around the park. The social worker shared that Sarah looked rested after the trip and that she had surprised herself how well she had done throughout the week. This time together away from the daily stress has given them back a lot of self-confidence and Michael for the first time in his life was able to return to school to tell them that he has been on holiday. The relationship between Sarah and her son Michael has also been strengthened by making positive memories of a good holiday together.

Obituary **Thanks, Maureen**

Maureen Minnards passed away on 1st June 2019 following an illness and sepsis. She has been a long serving loyal member of Sanderstead Mothers' Union holding the role of Secretary for many years and also as the Baptism Anniversary Contact for 20 years. We thank her for all that she willingly gave to the group. May she rest in peace and rise again in glory.

Rosemary Kempell

Pet Service at St. Antony's (23rd June '19)

"A fun time was had by all present. There was a rousing rendition of "Old man Noah had an ark" and stories were told of the love and companionship we enjoy with our pets." *Susan Atkinson-Jones*



Wettern Tree Gardens

An Araucaria Araucana (Monkey Puzzle) tree planted in remembrance of Joy Gadsby

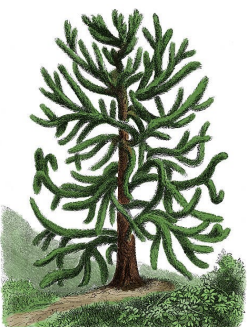
Araucaria Araucana

Araucaria araucana is an evergreen tree growing to 1-1.5m in diameter and 30-40m in height. It is native to central and southern Chile and western Argentina. It is the hardest species in the conifer genus Araucaria. Because of the longevity of this species, it is described as a living fossil. It is also the national tree of Chile. Its conservation status was changed to Endangered by the IUCN in 2013 due to the dwindling population caused by logging, forest fires, and grazing. So an appropriate choice of tree in memory of Joy Gadsby—not because I'm suggesting that she was a living fossil; although arguably elderly aunts are an endangered species, but because the Monkey Puzzle Tree reflects so many of her interests.

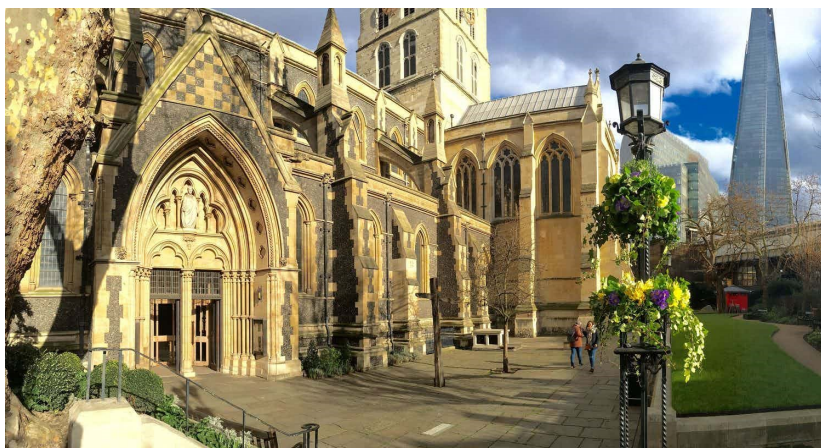
In many ways Joy was, and will remain, a puzzle. Although she could be forthright, she would not listen to evil, she would speak no evil nor see evil in anyone. On the contrary, and she could be quite contrary, she was generous in judgement and self-giving in service, passionate about ecology and incredibly knowledgeable about trees.

Joy's interests were far and wide but none were closer to her heart for conservation than her local interests, in particular Kings Wood and here at Wettern Gardens.

So thank you Richard Bird for organising today. Thank you to the Friends of Wettern Gardens whose fellowship Joy enjoyed so much. Thank you to those of you offering hospitality and thank you to all for coming along to remember an extraordinary person in such a positive and lasting way.



Sandra Groombridge's Commissioning as a SPA at Southwark Cathedral (24th June '19)



It was a wonderful time at the SPA commissioning service, and I was so grateful to see such good support from All Saints. It was the culmination of two years hard work going back and forth to Trinity House, attending lectures, writing essays, reflections and participating in regular weekends away. I am now looking forward to serving as Pastoral Minister.

Sandra Groombridge



Transformation

I celebrated Easter Sunday in a little village church in Buckinghamshire. The theme was transformation and members of the congregation brought forward their contributions including an acorn and a sapling oak, flour and a cake, a knitted caterpillar and a crocheted butterfly, a transformer toy which was duly turned into a man. Then a poem called 'Refugees' was read out which I would like to share with you. Please read it through. Then read it again but this time in reverse, beginning with the last line.

REFUGEES:



*Veronica Kaenzig,
St Edmund's Church*

They have no need of our help
So do not tell me
These haggard faces could belong to you or me
Should life have dealt a different hand
We need to see them for who they really are
Chancers and scroungers
Layabouts and loungers
With bombs up their sleeves
Cut throats and thieves
They are not
Welcome here
We should make them
Go back to where they came from
They cannot
Share our food
Share our homes
Share our countries
Instead let us
Build a wall to keep them out
It is not okay to say
These are people just like us
A place should only belong to those who are born there
Do not be so stupid to think that
The world can be looked at another way.

Brian Bilston

**YOU ARE INVITED TO A
FREE CONCERT**

Music for a summer's day



**Come and hear the
SANDERSTEAD 2 O'CLOCK BELLS
and the SAS RINGERS play
then join them for
tea and cake afterwards.**

**Monday 1st July 2019
at 2.30pm
in All Saints Church
Onslow Gardens
SANDERSTEAD CR2 9AB**

St Anthony's Church

Ventworth
Way, CR2

Help
us

Cream teas & Summer Fete

Sunday 7th July, 3.00pm

Quizzes! Raffles & fun!

Just £3.50 for tea + drink.

Come along and enjoy!

Bingo
Eve
tba

SUPPORT
our Events

Race Night
28th
September
Lots of Fun

Cream Tea
&
Summer
Fete
Sunday 7th
July

Help keep us on the map

For more information
ring 02086575239
or 02086576721

SANDERSTEAD BIBLE WEEK

All Saints Church

Monday 5th to Friday 9th August 2019

3.00pm and 8.00pm

“Christ Revealed” Sanderstead Bible Week, 5 – 9 August 2019

This will be the third year of Bible Week, and I am pleased to commend it. Those who came along in 2017 and 2018 found the speakers really encouraging and helpful – as the feedback forms demonstrate [*“Enjoyable and helpful. Each day I came away with something new to think about... I was encouraged to look at the Psalms in a new light... I feel very pleased to have attended. A splendid idea!.. I looked forward to attending each day... All of the speakers were excellent”*]

The overall theme this year is ‘Christ Revealed’.

At 3pm Our speaker each day at 3pm, from Monday to Friday, is Dr Nick Lunn, a Bible Translation Consultant with Wycliffe Bible Translators. He will help us look at parts of nine different books of the Bible, and show how Christ is revealed in the Hebrew (OT) Scriptures. I heard him speak last year and was fascinated by how he brought the scriptures to life and applied them to modern life.

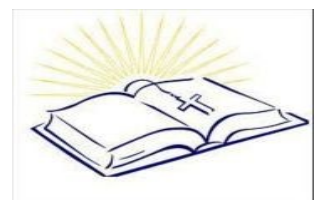
At 8pm Under the heading of “*What Jesus Said*”, we have a variety of speakers, including Trevor Neill, Pastor of Selsdon Baptist Church, Andy Brims and Phil Greaves, pastors at Croydon Vineyard Church, and Sue Clarke, Vicar in the Furzedown Team Ministry, who spoke at Bible Week 2017. The speakers will explain and apply the teachings of Jesus as we find them in the gospels.

I do hope you will do two things. First, please do come yourself; and secondly do spread the word and invite others.

There is no advance booking, and no charge, though we do ask for donations to cover expenses and a gift for the speakers. Put the dates in your diary... now!

The Lord is good; it will be a great time.

Your friend, **Martin**



Afternoons at 3pm (tea / coffee from 2.30pm)

Speaker: Nick Lunn, Bible Translation Consultant with Wycliffe Bible Translators, and Associate Tutor at Spurgeon's College.

Theme: *Finding Jesus Christ in the Hebrew Scriptures*

DATE	Theme	Bible Passage
August		
Monday 5th	<i>Jesus is Promised</i>	Genesis 12:1-7; 2 Samuel 7:1-17
Tuesday 6th	<i>Jesus is Prophesied</i>	Micah 5:2; Isaiah 7:1-17; Isaiah 40:3-5
Wednesday 7th	<i>Jesus is Prefigured</i>	1 Corinthians 5:7-8; John 6:25-59
Thursday 8th	<i>Jesus is Personated</i>	Isaiah 61:1-2; Psalm 16:8-11
Friday 9th	<i>Jesus is Present</i>	Genesis 18:1-19; Exodus 3:1-10; Judges 13:1-23

Evenings at 8pm (tea / coffee from 7.30pm)

Theme: *What Jesus said*

DATE	Theme & Bible Passage	Speaker
August		
Mon 5 th	<i>Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.</i> Luke 4:14-30	Rev Trevor Neill Ministry Team Leader, Selsdon Baptist Church
Tues 6 th	<i>The Son of Man came...</i> Luke 7:34 Mark 10:45 Luke 19:10	Andy Brims Welcome Pastor of Croydon Vineyard
Wed 7 th	<i>Be on your guard against hypocrisy</i> Luke 12:1-12	Canon Martin Greenfield Rector of Sanderstead Parish
Thurs 8 th	<i>Rest for the Weary!</i> Matthew 11:28-29	Canon Dr Sue Clarke Vicar in the Furzedown Team Ministry
Fri 9 th	<i>Where the rubber meets the road.</i> Matt 7: 24-29	Phil Greaves Associate Pastor at Croydon Vineyard

***Around and About
Sanderstead,
and beyond***



CAMEO

Come And Meet Each Other

Are you alone? If so...
Come and be with others
For Tea, Cakes, Company and Chats

Third Thursday of the month

Thursday 18th July

2.30pm – 4.00pm

Jubilee Room @ St. Mary's

All are welcome



PURLEY CLASSICS JULY RECITAL

DAVID ZUCCHI – SAXAPHONE

IÑIGO MIKELEIZ BERRADE - ACCORDIAN

Includes music by Piazzolla, Grieg and Bartok

We welcome back David Zucchi who studied in Toronto, graduated from the RCM Artist Diploma programme and has performed in the UK, Europe and Canada. With him this time is Spanish accordionist, Iñigo Mikeleiz Berrade, who studied in his home region of Navarra and is now a Master of Arts graduate from the Royal Academy of Music. Iñigo aims to reveal the unknown possibilities that the accordion can display.

Wednesday 10th July 2019, 1.15pm to 2.00pm

The Lounge, Purley United Reformed Church, Brighton Road Purley

Open to all with a retiring collection to cover costs. Light refreshments served before the start.

For more details: www.purleyclassics.com

Pop in to ...

The Coffee Pot

Coffee, Cake and Company

Onslow Gardens

Meet and Mingle 2019

Everyone's invited



Alternate Fridays 10 - 12
All Saints' Small Hall



June 7,21 July 5,19 Aug 2,16

Sept 6,20 Oct 4,18 Nov 1,15,29 Dec 13

SANDERSTEAD TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

Wednesday, 10th July
2019 2.00—4.30 p.m.

Dan and Carolyn Ely -
The Dan Ely Foundation

All Saints' Small Hall
Refreshments available
Visitors welcome - £3.00

Any queries please contact our
Secretary, Mrs Wendy Aarons on
020 8768 3655

YOUNG AT HEART Social Club

Sanderstead Neighbourhood Care, All Saints' Church Hall
Registered Charity Number: 1039939

10am—12.30pm,
£3 or £5 with lunch

For information or transport call: **020 8657 8289**

Fri 12th July

4 Frets with our mandolins
Followed by a ploughman's lunch

Fri 26th July

Rosemary Ottewell talks about Victorian Schoolrooms
Followed by a buffet lunch

Thank you for all your support.

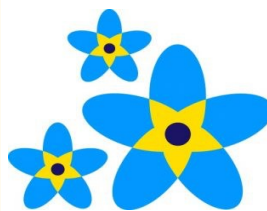
Sanderstead United Reformed Church
OUR SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERTS CONTINUE

Sunday 14th July at 3pm **FACE THE MUSIC WITH HOPE**

A "Victor Borge" style hour filled with musical fun,
facts and cleverness
at the hands of amazing pianist

STEPHEN HOPE

followed by tea & exceedingly fine cakes
Admission by programme at the door
Just £7 (£3 if you're 18 or under)



Working to become
**Dementia
Friendly**
2018-2019

The David Lean Cinema, in partnership with the Croydon Dementia Action Alliance, are organising a series of popular music films throughout 2019. Admission is free for people with dementia and their carers. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available before the screening. All performances will start at 11am, with refreshments available from 10.15am. There are a limited number of wheelchair places.

Tuesday 2 July
ON MOONLIGHT BAY (1951),
starring Doris Day and Gordon MacRae

Tuesday 3 September
IN THE GOOD OLD SUMMERTIME
(1949), starring Judy Garland and Van Johnson

For further information:
www.davidleancinema.org.uk

FAMILY FUN

Crafts
Games
Singing
Food

PICNIC & GAMES
On the Gruffy

Acting
Activities
Bible Stories
Music

Sunday
14th July
2.30pm-4pm

For children
parents and
carers

Bring your own food.
We will provide drinks
and a few snacks.

All Saints Church Hall
Onslow Gardens,
CR2 9AB

FRESH ENCOUNTERS
ANGELS
THEN AND NOW

Sunday 14 July 2019 6 pm
at All Saints Church Sanderstead CR2 9AB

Explore the role of angels
through scripture,
music and meditation.

An abstract painting with warm colors like orange, red, and yellow, set against a dark background, suggesting a sunset or sunrise.



The Diocese of
Southwark



'Trailing Clouds of Glory' Nurturing the Spirituality of Children

This 6 week course includes an introduction to children's spirituality, spiritual styles, faith development, generational theory, and intergenerational worship.

Dates: Thursday 3rd Oct 2019 18.30 - 20.45

Time: 18.30 - 20.45

Venue: Trinity House, 4 Chapel Court, SE1 1HW

Cost: £30 for 6 week course

Led by *Ronni Lamont* with guests *Mary Hawes, Dave Csinos, Aike Kennett-Brown*

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/trailing-clouds-of-glory-nurturing-the-spirituality-of-children-tickets>

30 places

The Jubilate Choir
July 6th 2019, 7.30pm
Summer Serenade
Haydn: Choruses from
The Seasons and The Creation
Gershwin: **Summertime**
Rodgers and Hammerstein:
Some Enchanted Evening
Loewe: **Ascot Gavotte**
Now is the Month of Maying
Conductor: **Janet Haney**
Please note change of venue:
Emmanuel URC Church
The Grove, West Wickham, BR4 9JS
Admission: £12, children 16 and under £3
Tickets at the door
www.jubilatechoir.co.uk
Registered charity no. 289259
making music

Scallywags
Thursdays during Term time
9.30-11.30 am
@ St Edmund's Church, Mitchley Avenue,
Riddlesdown CR2 9HL

Everyone Welcome
Babies & Tots up to 5, Mums, Dads,
Grandparents and Carers
Enjoy a tea while the little ones play
Lots of friends, craft and toys
£1.75 for 1 child plus 50p per extra child
Volunteer assistants welcome
Please contact: Rev Susan Atkinson-Jones
susan@sanderstead-parish.org.uk Tel: 020 8657 5505

Come and join us for



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Sanderstead

Holiday at home for older people

Tuesday 20th to Thursday 22nd August 2019

10.30am to 3.30pm

All Saints' Church Hall

Cost: £7.00 per day

Coffee, lunch, tea included

Different activities & entertainment every day

Further details and booking forms

from the Parish Office 020 8657 0665

Space Academy Holiday Club

Please complete an online booking form www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk

Note from Annalie:

Only 10 spaces left!

We will be doing space games, activities, dramas, crafts, making new friends and learning more about God. Bring a packed lunch!

Thank you so much for all the boxes you have donated—we now have enough! If you have any kitchen roll tubes, toilet roll tubes or old shirts, please leave in the large box outside the Parish Office.

Thank you!



HOLIDAY CLUB

SPACE ACADEMY

August 28th-30th
2019

FOR CHILDREN AGED
5-11

ALL SAINTS CHURCH
SANDERSTEAD

Drama Fun Games
Crafts Bible Stories songs Friends

All Saints Church, Onslow Gardens,
CR2 9AB



HOLIDAY CLUB

WE LOOK FORWARD TO
SEEING YOU THERE!

10.00am— 2.00pm

Please complete an online
booking form:
www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk

for more information:
children@sanderstead-parish.org.uk

All Saints Church, Onslow Gardens,
CR2 9AB

Refreshing Church

Glory in our life, our worship and our mission

**Croydon Episcopal Area
Lay Conference 2019**

Saturday 14th September 10.00—4.00

Registration from 9.30

St. Bede's School, Carlton Rd, Redhill, RH1 2LQ

Book now through the Parish Office, 020 8657 0665

A day for lay people

... who want to see their church energised and growing;
... who want a spring in their step on their journey of faith;
... who want to see others encounter the rich love of God.

This conference gathers lay people from across the parishes of the Croydon Episcopal Area to reflect on what it means for God to refresh their church. The day will include:

- A key note address from Paula Gooder, theologian and Chancellor of St Paul's Cathedral, who will speak about church in the New Testament.
- Workshops where smaller groups explore how God can renew the way we live as Christians - in churches, as individuals and as people who live in a changing world.
- Joyful worship and prayer with a large group of fellow-Christians.
- Refreshments and a light lunch, included in the ticket price.
- A closing address from Bishop Christopher, who will inspire us to walk, welcome and grow as the people of God in South London and East Surrey.



Refreshing Church

Workshops and experiences on offer will include ...

How to bring refreshment to ...

Intercessions during a church service

Pastoral care as a church

The relationship between church and schools

Overseeing church finances

Talking about what you believe to friends and colleagues

Being a Christian parent

Older congregations

Relationships with those of other faiths

The way we care for creation

What God is calling you to do with your life

Lay voices leading worship

Nurturing children in faith

Mission Action Planning

Making a pilgrimage

Healing and wholeness

And featuring ...

Prayer stations and a marketplace of stalls from Christian organisations.

Booking now through the Parish Office, 020 8657 0665.

The cost of £10, including a light lunch, will be covered by All Saints.



Deepening Discipleship

Following Jesus in faith, hope & love:
Resources and events for the whole people of God

Please look at the website for regular Sunday services:

www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk

WHAT?	WHEN?	WHERE?
T4U All are welcome <i>(first Monday of the month)</i>	Mon 1 July, 2.30pm	St. Antony's Church
July Midweek Communion All welcome for a short communion service.	Thurs 4 July, 12.30pm	All Saints' Church, St. Catherine's Aisle
Coffee Pot All welcome for coffee, tea, cakes and company <i>(page 13)</i>	Fri 5 July, 10am—12pm	All Saints' Church Hall
Family Fun Picnic and games on the Gruffy <i>(page 14)</i>	Sun 14 July, 2.30pm—4pm	The Gruffy
Fresh Encounters ANGELS THEN AND NOW <i>(page 14)</i>	Sun 14 July, 6pm	All Saints' Church
Holy Communion followed by T4U All are welcome <i>(third Monday of the month)</i>	Mon 15 July, 2pm	St. Antony's Church
Coffee Pot All welcome for coffee, tea, cakes and company <i>(page 13)</i>	Fri 19 July, 10am—12pm	All Saints' Church Hall
BIBLE WEEK "Christ Revealed" Various speakers <i>(pages 10 & 11)</i>	M-F 5-9 August, 3pm and 8pm	All Saints' Church
SUMMER IN SANDERSTEAD Holiday at home for older people <i>(page 16)</i>	Tue-Thu 20-22 August 10.30am— 3.30pm	All Saints' Church Hall
SPACE ACADEMY HOLIDAY CLUB For children aged 5-11 <i>(page 17)</i>	Wed-Fri 28-30 August 10am—2pm	All Saints' Church Hall



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