

The Parishes of Steep and Stroud and Froxfield with Privett in the Diocese of Portsmouth



SUNDAY 16 JULY 2023

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP), Steep

Joanna Farrell

**10am Parish Communion with Baptisms,
High Cross** *Joanna Farrell*

8.30am: Romans 6.3-11; Matthew 5.20-26

10am: Isaiah 55.10-13; Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

WEEKDAY PRAYERS:

Wednesdays: *Morning Prayer 9am on Zoom
Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 757 0293 2891/Passcode: MPrayer

Thursdays:

*Morning Prayer 9.30am at St Peter's, High Cross

Silent Prayer 6.30pm at All Saints', Steep

*The final gatherings before the school summer holidays



**FELIX WALTER, AND BEATRICE MARGUERITE
ELLA, PIKE will be baptised during 10am
Parish Communion at High Cross, today.**

Please pray for Felix and Beatrice,
their parents Grace and Christopher,
and their godparents.

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Next Week

Sunday 23 July

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP), Stroud

Romans 6.19-end; Mark 8.1-10a

10am Parish Communion, Steep

Wisdom of Solomon 12.13. 16-19;

Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

11am Morning Prayer, Froxfield Green

Deuteronomy 30.1-10; 1 Peter 3.8-18

COLLECT FOR BCP COMMUNION

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

COLLECT

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYERS FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Let us pray for...

The Church Worldwide: The Anglican Church of Canada.

Our Diocese: The Interim Diocesan Secretary Philip

Poulter; and the NHS Chaplains: *Portsmouth Hospitals*

Julie Jones and Ian Newton, *St Mary's, Isle of Wight*

Stuart Holt and Dozie Moneme, and *The Rowans*

Hospice Carol Gully.

Our Deanery: The churches of Holy Rood, Empshott;

St John the Baptist, Greatham; Priors Dean; and St Peter

and St Paul, Hawkley; and their rector Peter Sutton.

Our Benefice: Martin Luke and his wife Anna and family;

Celia Storey; all who have recently been bereaved;

and those who suffer in body, mind or spirit. 🙏



Extended Prayers

For **ALL WHO SUFFER** directly and indirectly from
conflict worldwide. ▲

WHO'S WHO...

(01730 is the telephone exchange unless otherwise stated)

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...AND WHERE

ALL SAINTS' STEEP: GU32 2DD **STROUD CHURCH:** GU32 1AT

ST PETER'S: HIGH CROSS GU32 1EQ; **FROXFIELD GREEN:** GU32 1DQ

Isaiah
55.10-13

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my

mouth; it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. ▲

RIP Please pray for the late **GLADYS CUMMINS** and keep her family and friends in your prayers.

RIP Please pray for the late **PEGGY CHILD** and keep her family and friends in your prayers.

RIP Please pray for the late **JOHN SEDGWICK** and keep his family and friends in your prayers.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory

Matthew
13.1-9, 18-23

The Parable of the Sower

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground,

where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'

The Parable of the Sower Explained

'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.' ▲

A PACT collaboration...



HORNDEAN BAPTIST CHURCH IS seeking a part-time Community Work Co-ordinator (CWC) to join their church membership and become part of the worshipping family.

The CWC will inspire and encourage the church in serving the community around the church, overseeing and supporting current and new projects and opportunities to respond to local needs.

Working with stakeholders and volunteers, they will also take on the management of the Horndean and Clanfield Foodbank

Applications should be received by the end of July 2023. For the full job spec or more information, visit: <https://horndeanbaptistchurch.org.uk/our-team/jobs/>

Privett Flower Festival merchandise is still available - and the proceeds will top up the funds raised for the Churches Conservation Trust at the Festival in May.



Aprons and tea towels two designs (Hare, and Bees) in two colours; Greetings cards (pack of four). **Great gifts!**

Enquiries/orders to teresa.mbrown2011@gmail.com

Talking of flowers and 'produce' ...

...**THE STEEP FLOWER SHOW** is on Saturday 26 August (2-4pm) in the grounds of Bedales School. Entries (adult and children) are invited in varied categories, from sweetpeas to Steep skies, leeks to Lego, cacti to the best chocolate cake ever! Download entry forms and the schedule from steepflowershow.org.uk and get those entries in by 8pm on 23 August.



The threatening inclement weather last Sunday saw the benefic **Pet Service** held inside, rather than in the churchyard of, All Saints'. Regardless, it drew 'countless kind and positive comments' from people and pets alike.

