



St Peter & St Paul's Chaldon Newsletter



Letter from Revd Helen

May

Why 'May'?

It could be named after the Roman goddess Maia, who oversaw the growth of plants, alternatively, the name may (oh dear!) have come from the Latin 'maiores' meaning elders, who were celebrated at this time of year. For some May is a month devoted to prayer to Mary the mother of our Lord. Whatever the myths and meanings and traditions handed down to us in the naming of our calendar months they can still resonate.

This is still the time of year when we celebrate new growth, and surely it is always good to remember our roots.....

In the church calendar May is entirely taken over by the Easter season, during which we hear stories of the courage and the endeavours of our ancestors in the Acts of the Apostles and during which we continue to celebrate the new life of the risen Christ. This is also the month when the church calendar marks Rogation and we should traditionally beat the bounds and bless the fields. So, rooted in the wisdom handed down to us by previous generations, inspired by new growth in the natural world, encouraged by the idealism and energy of our children and young people let us be merry this May and embrace this season of rebirth and sure in the knowledge that we are constantly born again in Christ may we be inspired us to step out in hope.



Join in with the pilgrimage, join in with the craftivism, join in with the choir and join in with the party as we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and remember and affirm that we stand in a long line of good people before and after who have dwelt here and worshipped here.

Evening Prayer on Zoom In May

Zoom at 6.30pm
Wednesday and Thursdays
*No Evening Prayer
on 4th, 18th or 19th May*

Zoom Link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/
82053753781](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82053753781)

Services at Chaldon Church in May

Thursday Service 10.30am Said Eucharist Service

No Thursday Eucharist on 19th May

Sunday Services

8am BCP Service.

10.30am Sunday Service

1st May Indoor Eucharist
8th May Outdoor Pop Up Service of the Word
15th May Outdoor Eucharist and Blessing of the Pilgrims
22nd May Rogation Sunday Matins with Mossy Church & Blessing of the Fields
29th May Outdoor Pop Up Service of the Word

5pm Jubilee Evensong

29th May Jubilee Evensong followed by a party in the churchyard

Chaldon Church

Coffee and Craftivism



Wednesdays 11.30am till 1pm

Crafting for everyone beginners, experts, even onlookers, come and join us as we make BUNTING for our Jubilee Evensong and Party.

Throughout May we will be meeting to prepare for the celebrations and to share ideas for future projects.

If you have a small child come along and share the child care while we sew and cut and glue and chat.

What to bring (if you can).....

- any suitable material in pieces A4 size or bigger
- pinking shears
- enthusiasm

Any questions please call Tabitha on 07847368399 or Jane on 07814526306.

Our aim is to learn together and make together in all sorts of ways but always with a purpose
EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

Churchyard Busy Bees Saturday 28th May



Please come and help get our church and churchyard ready for our Jubilee Celebration on Sunday 29th May.



9.30am – 12.30pm

2022 Pilgrimage Chaldon to Winchester Zoom Meeting: Wednesday 11th May 7pm



For all those who are going on the Pilgrimage or those wanting to join for a day.

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82053753781?pwd=c3dCd0R1OVdaSGdrN1lidlQySGFKdz09>

The Pilgrimage departs 12 noon after the service on May 15th. Day walkers are welcome and those who may wish to meet us in Winchester, please contact Rev Helen.

Save the Date

**Chaldon Church
Jubilee Evensong
Sunday May 29th at 5pm**



Followed by a party in the churchyard
More details to follow



Please sponsor the pilgrims as they walk to Winchester by giving to Christian Aid.

For more details and to donate go to the Just Giving site.

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/chaldonpilgrimage2022

Christian Aid Week 15-21 May 2022



**Time to Shine
Wednesdays
9.30am – 11.00am
during term time**

A space for families to play and make friends
Held in the Hazell Room at Chaldon Church

**First Communion Classes
Thursdays in June (9th, 16th and 23rd)
4pm till 5pm**

Year 2 and upwards See Revd Helen for more details

**Caterham Churches Together
Morning Prayer Wednesday 8.30am
at St Mary's, Caterham
Zoom Link see www.chaldonchurch.co.uk**

**Archdeacon's Visitation Service
Wednesday 8th June 7.15pm for 8pm**
For the commissioning of churchwardens & PCC members.
Church of the Good Shepherd,
Queen Mary's Avenue, Carshalton SM5 4NP,
Everyone welcome.

Date for the Diary at St Luke's, Whyteleafe

Starting Tuesday 7th June at 7pm

Weekly Bible Group more details to follow

Friends of Chaldon Church
Starting Friday 6th May
Guided Countryside Walks starting at Chaldon Church with Richard Payne
See posters at church or email Richard at artofwalking@gmail.com for more details