

Parish and Community

The Link

St Mildreds Road



Westgate Bay Avenue

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**September
2019**

**The Magazine of
St Saviour's Parish Church**

**THE PARISH CHURCH OF
ST SAVIOUR WESTGATE ON SEA**

www.stsaviourswestgate.org.uk



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The Revd David Chance



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Dr D Crouch

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THE SEAMARSH GROUP**

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ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH,

Westgate on Sea

HARVEST FAMILY

COMMUNION

10.30am

SUNDAY

29th SEPTEMBER

ALL WELCOME



Moving into September as the holiday season comes to an end, there may relief, perhaps, as the visitors depart and the town is 'ours' again. Hopefully, the spectacular display of Autumn colour, glorious sunsets and mellow fruitfulness help to compensate for any sense of loss as we notice less warmth in the sunshine.

The Church's annual celebration of Harvest, which this year falls on Michaelmas Day (29th September) invites us to give thanks for the goodness and abundance surrounding us, as well as being a poignant reminder of the changing seasons of our lives and God's desire to gather us all into His harvest-home.

We expect to be joined by children from our community as well as many others who will fill our lovely church with joy and song as well as harvest fruits and flowers. You are warmly invited to bring harvest gifts, which will be distributed to local Care Homes and the Birchington Food Bank and join with the offertory procession- or just come along and enjoy the music and celebrations.

If you are a singer and would like to join with our choir for the occasion, we would be delighted to hear from you! Most importantly- we hope that, this year, you will join us for this uplifting festival of gratitude for God's providence and the wonder of Creation.

Mother Karen



The Friends of Kent Churches Sponsored Bike Ride and Walk (part of the national Ride+Stride) takes place on the second Saturday in September each year. This year it will take place on **Saturday 14th September 2019. See Valda for details.**



The advertisement features a black and white photograph of two elderly residents, a man and a woman, smiling. The man is wearing a striped shirt and a cardigan, and the woman is wearing a dark top and a pearl necklace. They are sitting at a table with a glass of water and a cup of tea. A banner with the text 'Open day' and 'Join us!' is overlaid on the photo. Below the photo, the text reads: 'We invite you to take a tour of our charming home, meet our dedicated team and enjoy a cup of tea and slice of cake whilst chatting to our wonderful residents.' The event details are listed below: 'When: Wednesday 25 September 2019, 10am – 12pm / 2pm – 4pm', 'Where: Abbeyfield House, 6 Luton Avenue, Broadstairs CT10 2DH', and 'Tel: 01843 861829'. The Abbeyfield logo is in the bottom right corner, with the tagline 'Making time for older people'. At the bottom, it says 'We look forward to welcoming you' and 'Registered in England and Wales, Company 074816, Charity 200719, RSH No. H1046'.

Help wanted on Saturday 14th September

The annual Ride and Stride in aid of the Friends of Kent Churches takes place on Saturday 14th September between 10am and 6pm.

If you can help by greeting those taking part as they arrive at St Saviour's, please let me know or add your name to the list at the back of the church. We need two people on duty throughout the day and each person can do shifts of either an hour or two hours.

However, if you are more energetic and would prefer to cycle or walk, please see Valda. She can give you have sponsorship forms and let you know which churches will be open. Half the money raised goes to the Friends of Kent Churches and half goes to your chosen Kent church – obviously St Saviour's!

Those who would welcome your sponsorship are: Chris & Phil Joiner, Steve & Melanie, Laraine & Andrew, Graham & Valda.

Thank you in advance to all stewards, riders and striders.

Christine Attwood

Advance Notice for Harvest

Harvest Festival will be celebrated this year with a special Family Communion Service on Sunday 29th September at 10.30am. The service will include an anthem by our newly formed choir. Do come!

As usual, we would be very pleased to receive non-perishable items of food to decorate the church. Most of these items will be given afterwards to The Storehouse, the food bank run by Birchington Baptist Church. However, small packets of sweets and biscuits will be distributed to local nursing and care homes.

Please bring your donations with you on Sundays or when the church is open on Thursdays (but not Thursday 12th) and Fridays between 10am and 12noon.

Decorating is planned for Saturday 21st September at 9.30am with additional decoration on the following Saturday. Please see the weekly pew sheets for further details.

FROM THE REGISTERS

For those Baptised

“Shine as a light in the world, to the Glory of God the Father”

Sunday 11th August Hendrix

For those joined in Holy Matrimony

“God our Father, pour out your blessing on all joined in Holy Matrimony; that they may be joined in mutual love and companionship, in holiness and commitment to each other”

Friday 2nd August Holly and Ben

Friday 9th August Katie and Luke

The Sick

“Lord, grant your healing presence to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit”

Phyll, Doreen, Beryl, Joyce, Maureen, Stephen, Marie, Bailey, Joan, Ken, Vanessa, Edna Wake

The Departed

“Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word”

We give thanks for the life of those who now rest in eternal peace, and pray for their families and friends

For those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

“Dear God, we thank you for the rest in Christ they now enjoy, and thank you for giving them to us”

Susan Mason

Churchwardens' Report

We only had 2 churchwarden meetings with Mother Karen in August. At the first one, we looked at amalgamating our Family Communion booklets with the St Nicholas-at-Wade booklets we have been using at baptisms. We hope the new booklets can be ready for use in October. At our second meeting, we planned the agenda for the PCC meeting on 4th September and items to be discussed by the PCC in the coming months.

We are grateful to the many people who look after St Saviour's Church when no one is about. This month we would particularly like to thank Stuart for extra furniture moving duties, Colin for giving the notice board in St Mildred's Road another coat of varnish and those (at least 3) who have been watering the flowerbeds in the church grounds. The defective bulb in the north aisle has been reported to our electrician, who will carry out a portable appliance test (PAT) on the urn when he comes to replace the bulb. We hope to get Mother Karen's name added to the "Vicars' Board" by the northwest door before too long.

St Saviour's Church had over 400 visitors during the two-week exhibition held by Westgate Art and Craft Group. There was so much talent on display in the lovely paintings, crafts and cards. Thank you to key holders who helped with opening and closing the church building when Christine was not on duty with the Heritage Centre's exhibition, which took place at the same time.

The theme of the Centre's exhibition was Westgate-on-Sea in summer and attracted almost 200 visitors, the vast majority being the same as those recorded by the Art and Craft Group. Non-local visitors, who came specially to see the church and Heritage Centre, included an elderly English woman living in Italy and a family from Spalding, in Lincolnshire. The lady from Italy was the niece of Christopher Moor, in whose memory the candelabra in the north aisle was given. Selina was very interested to know that it continues to be lit on Christopher's birthday, the anniversary of his death in Gallipoli in 1915 and on Remembrance Sunday. The family from Lincolnshire are related to Donald Perrins, who died, aged 18, on 28th September 1915 in the Battle of Loos. Like Christopher, Donald is commemorated on the War Memorials in St Saviour's Church and in Sea Road.

With love and blessings

Chris and Christine

Service for NHS Hearing Aid users There will be a weekly Hi Kent Clinic held at Westgate Surgery -every Monday 2-3pm - for hearing aid batteries, tubes and free advice.

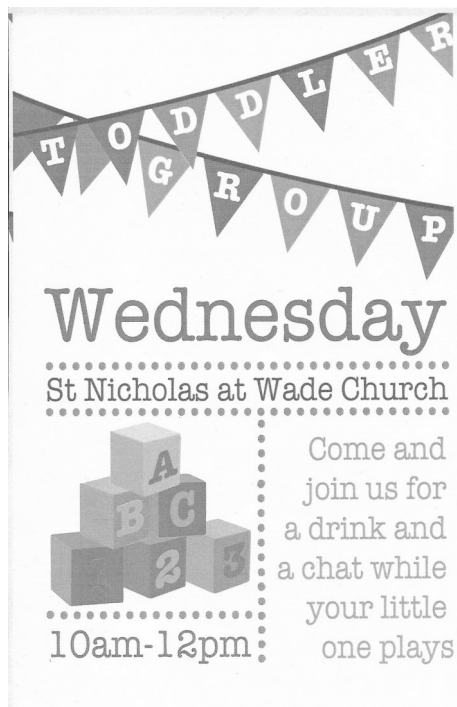
Donations of food needed for the Storehouse Foodbank, based at Birchington Baptist Church. Please support our local foodbank.

Thank you.



Whilst you are welcome to take and enjoy a copy of “The Link”, donations towards the cost of printing would be appreciated.

The deadline for OCTOBER 2019 “The Link” is
SUNDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2019



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Treasurer's Report

Statement for the month of July 2019

July

Income £3917

Expenses £4467

Deficit £550

Total assets at 1 January 2019 £73895

Total assets at 31 July 2019 £77736

G R Neve

Hon Treasurer

BELLRINGERS WANTED—NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

Want to try a new hobby? If you are aged between 9 and 90 you are welcome to come and join us on a Thursday evening at 7.30pm in the Bell Tower—NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED—tuition given.

St Saviour's Church has large print Hymn books, Order of Service books and Pew Sheets (readings only) for use. Please do not hesitate to ask if you require one.



CALLING ALL KNITTERS

WOOLLY HATS FOR SEAMEN

WOOLLY HATS: Mike Piper, one of Dover's team of seafarers' chaplains, is seeking the support of knitters. He wants some woolly hats for overseas seafarers when their ships call at the Port of Dover. Fingerless gloves would also be welcome. Many of the seafarers arriving at Dover are from India or the Philippines and, in the colder months, they appreciate the kindness of the knitters. Mike can be contacted on 07976 528449.

Chunky or Double Knit Wool, any pattern, any colour. Finished hats can be left in Church for Barbara Yates. Telephone Number 835645, who will collect and take to Dover – No time limit.

Many thanks.





CHURCH OPEN THURSDAY

MORNINGS 10am to 12noon

Except on the 2nd Thursday of the
month when there is a Mothers Union
Holy Communion Service at 10.15am
ALL WELCOME

St Saviour's Church, Westgate

Welcome

**TO OUR
FRIENDLY
FRIDAY
MORNINGS**

10am TO 12noon



**REFRESHMENTS
AVAILABLE,
ACTIVITIES**

OR MEET FOR A CHAT



Join Us!

**ALL
ARE
WELCOME**

SEPTEMBER

Pleased once again I now feel able to write an article for the St Saviour's magazine. September is a good month to re-start.

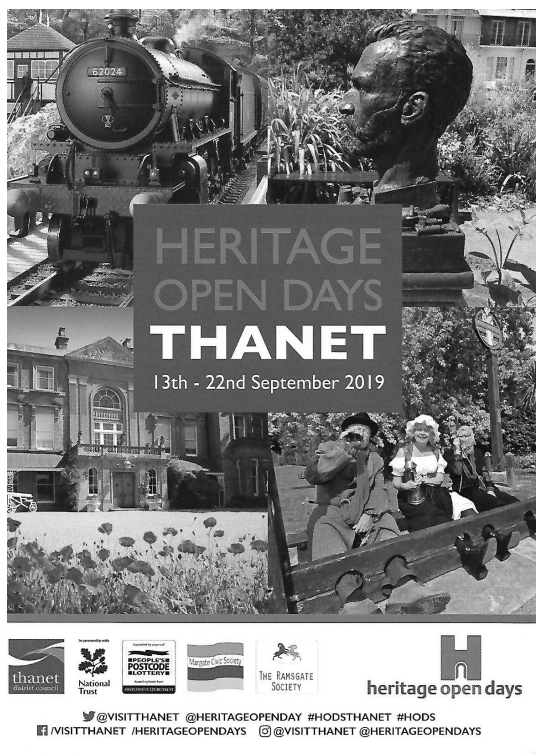
I have many memories. The Second World War began 3rd September 1939. I was almost 6 years old & 12 years old when it ended.

I commenced my nursing career in London, late September 1953.

Returned to the Royal Sea Bathing Hospital when I qualified as a Staff Nurse – SRN. After 14 months Matron offered me a relief Sisters post. I was in charge of a ward when Sister was on holiday. After about 2 years doing this a Sister left for Semi Retirement & I was offered her ward. LOUISE WARD. Orthopaedic. I was Sister for 21 years in total & left when I married Stanley my dear husband. He was Vicar of St Saviour's Church.

"My patients" now were the Parishoners. I kept an "eye" on the regulars who came to church. If they did not come I went to see if they were alright. People were pleased I called. Life continued, I helped my dear husband as much as possible until he retired after 29 years at St Saviour's Church, Westgate. It was rewarding work.

Marie Evans



A black and white collage poster for Heritage Open Days in Thanet. The top half features a steam locomotive on the left and a large bust of a man on the right. The bottom half shows a historic building on the left and a group of people in period clothing on the right. A central text box contains the event details.

**HERITAGE
OPEN DAYS
THANET**
13th - 22nd September 2019

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RAILWAY SOCIETY

**National
Trust**

**SPECIAL
POSTCODE
BLACKTIDE**

Thanet Civic Society

**THE RAMSGATE
SOCIETY**

heritage open days

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Bellringers Practice every Thursday 7.30 to 9pm.

Bible Study Group meet Thursday at 7pm, details & inquiries ring

Susan 836430 . **BIBLE STUDY MEETS AGAIN ON 5TH SEPTEMBER.**

The Westgate Heritage Centre

OPEN on the First Saturday of the month 10am to 12 noon at 10.30am TALK

Refreshments available.

SATURDAY 7th SEPTEMBER Talk “The Day War Broke Out” by Dr Dawn Crouch

SATURDAY 12th OCTOBER Talk “Streete Court Boys’ School & its link with Pooh bear” by Dr Dawn Crouch

Church Cleaning 9am to 10am on the 1st Friday of the month.

The Friends of St Saviour’s Church - Annual Membership Fee only £2

New members welcome. Join the Friends of St Saviour’s church Subscription only £2 per year . All monies raised go towards the upkeep of the church and grounds. Membership forms at the back of the church or ring

Christine Attwood Tel 833314 email cattwood2002@yahoo.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FRIENDLY FRIDAYS 10am to 12 noon every Friday ALL WELCOME.

Saturday 14th September 10am to 6pm Friends of Kent Churches Ride & Stride

St Saviour’s Church has a Hearing Loop System



CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday Services

8am Said Eucharist Book of Common Prayer

10.30am Sung Eucharist

10.30am First Sunday of the month FAMILY SERVICE

10.15am Mothers Union Holy Communion on the 2nd Thursday of the month - contact The Revd Lesley Valiant ALL WELCOME

12.15pm Friday Holy Communion monthly on the last Friday.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1st Westgate Rainbows

Fridays 4.15 to 5.15pm

8th Westgate Brownies

Fridays 5.30 to 7pm

Both held at the Community Centre, Westgate.

JOIN THE ADVENTURE....

Come along and try 1st Westgate-On-Sea
Scout Group for Boys and Girls

Where: The Billabong,
St. Crispins Road
Westgate-On-Sea CT8 8EB

When: Beavers: Tuesday 5:15pm—6:30pm
Cubs: Tuesday 6:45pm—8:15pm
Scouts: Thursday 7:00pm—9:00pm

Ages: Beavers: 5 3/4—8 years
Cubs: 8—10 1/2 years
Scouts: 10 1/2—14 years

Contact: 1st Westgate-On-Sea Scout Group
Email: 1stwestgatescoutgroup@gmail.com

Westgate-on-Sea Heritage Centre

Well - Autumn is officially here - according to the Met Office. The Heritage Centre has a new programme for the months leading up to Christmas and we look forward to welcoming you to our meetings.

We had a very enjoyable August, meeting some interesting visitors who came to the exhibition on "Summers Past", which we put on alongside the Westgate Art Group's Summer Exhibition. It was good to be able to tell those who got in touch beforehand to say that they were coming that there would be someone there to greet them and to answer their questions about family history. It enabled us to try to have ready the appropriate material.

One visitor had been in Westgate just after the Second World War, when her father, who had been demobbed from the Forces, bought Belair in St Mildred's Road (the second of the pair of turreted houses on the corner of Rowena Road) for her mother to run as a Guest House. Unfortunately her mother became ill and they were unable to keep the guest house, but then they moved to 7 Sea Road. She was so pleased when I was able to scan the relevant page in Kelly's Directory of 1948 to show her mother's name as the proprietress of Belair and was delighted to buy the booklet I had written on Sea Road, which showed that the house in which she lived for a short while was the one where the granddaughters of Queen Victoria stayed in 1881.

Another visitor was the niece of Christopher Moor, in whose memory the chandelier in the Memorial Chapel was given. Christine and two of our members were able to help her with family memories. This has inspired our member, Carl, to do a lot of family research on the Moor family, as he was delighted to find that their ancestral background was in Lincolnshire, which was his home county.

Douglas Neve and I also spent a very happy morning with a third-year student from Edinburgh University who was looking for material on civilians in the Second World War - Doug had done research on that for his dissertation, so was able to advise her on useful sources and websites. This is what the Heritage Centre is all about - sharing a love of history and inspiring others!

Having completed our lengthy commemorations of the Centenary of the Great War, we are now turning our attention to the **80th anniversary of the Second World War** - we are anxious to do this whilst there are a few people left who have personal stories to tell. We start on **Saturday 7th September** at 10.30 a.m. with "**The Day War Broke Out**", an event when members of the Heritage Centre will tell the story of that fateful day, September 3rd 1939, by reading the accounts given to me in 2009, when I started to collect them. These memories will be set in the context of official documents on the preparations that every person in the land was expected to make in the weeks leading up to the official announcement that

everyone hoped would not have to be made. Please come along if you can - non members are welcome.

On **21st September** the Heritage Centre will be taking part in **National Heritage Open Day**, when we will be at the function room in the **Town Hall Buildings** from 12 noon to 4.00 p.m. with an exhibition relating to the early days of the war. There will be **talks at 12.30 and 2.30 p.m.** on “Westgate and the Phoney War” (September 1939-April 1940). Light refreshments will be available. As we did with the Great War, we shall keep our emphasis on the way in which Westgate was affected by events. We would like to tell another part of the Westgate Story.

We are also commemorating the Second World War with the purchase of a **bespoke bench** to remember those who played so important part in the defence of our town - Air Raid Wardens, Home Guard, Firewatchers and Firemen, ambulance personnel, Women’s Voluntary Service. We have already placed the order in faith that we will raise the £2200 plus that it will cost (it is more expensive than the other benches as it was designed to our commission). The design will be on view from next week and we hope that there will be a good response to the appeal for donations. It should be ready to be installed for Remembrance Sunday.

Dr Dawn Crouch Curator

St Saviour’s Church as it was in 1939





WESTGATE-ON-SEA HERITAGE CENTRE



- Calendar 2020 -

Westgate on Sea Heritage Centre Calendars NOW AVAILABLE Cost £5 each.

Plus Postage £1.50 First Class £1.35 Second Class if required.

Makes a wonderful gift. Available at Heritage Centre opening times and via website .

Westgate-on-sea Paint the town Poppy Red

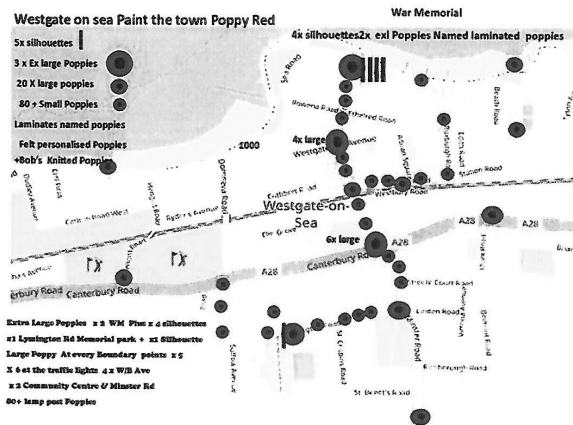
Recycling your old plywood & paint.

In 2018 my husband Richard Hambidge made a large poppy and silhouette soldier for Westgate's war memorial for Remembrance Day in honour of our war hero's.

2019 we want to make this bigger and better.

We with the help of Fixology & our Town Council, we are hoping to work with our local children in this project.

BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Look in your shed & garages for old plywood and Red and Black paint & donate it to our Paint the Town Poppy Red project.

Our vision is to have a poppy on every lamp post from Lymington Road Memorial Park, down to the traffic lights and all of St Mildred's Road to the War Memorial on Sea Road.

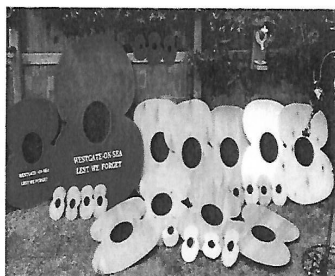
HELP US HONOUR OUR HERO'S.

For further information about how to get involved and support contact **Lorraine Hambidge** at Pottybird@ismyemail.co.uk 07989943256

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**WE NEED MORE
RED & BLACK PAINT
& PLYWOOD**



Working with Fixology at Westgate Fix it Don't bin it.

St Saviour's Church of England Junior School

The governing body started the last academic year with a vacancy for a foundation governor and an impending retirement of the local authority governor. Filling such vacancies falls to the governing body with any prospective candidate having to show they have the right qualities before being put forward to an approval process with either the Diocesan Board of Education (foundation governor) or Local Authority KCC (local authority governor). Much work was done to advertise the vacancies and seek the ideal candidates.

A chance meeting in November with a school friend led to discussing governorship and resulting in keen interest around becoming a governor. Several meetings later it was clear Steve Lancaster was a good candidate for the role of local authority governor and would bring considerable experience of working in the business sector to the governing body. Unfortunately the machinations of KCC meant that it was nearly six months later that his appointment was complete

In March we learned that Mother Karen was to be appointed to the parish of St Saviour's Church and was prepared to undertake the role of foundation governor, which under the rules for governors she was entitled to, in an ex officio capacity. As you would expect the Diocese were very happy to appoint Mother Karen to the role.

During this time an approach had been made to a retired teacher known to be interested in becoming a foundation governor. Ann Friedlos had recently taken up the role of churchwarden in Holy Trinity Church in Margate and was rightly concerned about her time commitment. Here was an ideal candidate but no vacancy existed. However, with any governing body, it is permissible to admit further governors known as Associate Governors without affecting the number of governors set by the Constitution of the Governing Body. Here was the perfect solution and Ann joined the governing body in May.

So after an unsure start we ended the academic year as a much stronger and effective governing body consisting of four parent governors, three staff governors (including the headteacher and deputy headteacher), two foundation governors, one local authority governor and one associate governor. As the new academic year begins we look forward to working with the school to provide the best possible education to all our pupils. Graham Neve Chair of Governors

**St Saviour's Church,
Westgate on Sea
FAMILY SERVICE**

**SUNDAY
6th OCTOBER**

At 10.30am

All welcome

WORSHIP

Westgate Art and Craft Group



**We meet every Tuesday afternoon
1.30 - 4 pm**

**Westgate Community Centre
Lymington Road**

**First three weeks are free
£1.50 a week including tea & biscuit**



**Westgate Art, Crafts & Cards group
Don Eacott 01843 833653**

Craft Fair

In aid of the Parish

Saturday 28th September 2019

10.00 – 2.30

In Church House, Kent Gardens, Birchington

CT7 9RS

Please support our Craft Fair

Crafts include

Art, Jewellery, Crochet,

Painted Glass, Bird Feeders,

Wood, Plant Displays, Decoupage,

Cards, Stained Glass & Soaps/Lotions

The Parish Cook Book will go on sale

Refreshments available

Cake Stall

Come along and start your Christmas shopping



Girlguiding



1st Westgate Rainbows

For Girls aged 5 to 7 years

Meet Fridays in term time

4.15 to 5.15pm

Westgate Community Centre

**STARTING A NEW PROGRAMME THIS YEAR WITH LOTS OF
EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES**

**APPLY HERE : [https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-
for-parents/register-your-daughter/](https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/)**

Any queries: westgaterainbows@outlook.com





Caring for an elderly relative or neighbour?

Do you need a break... or do they?

Respite care for the elderly available at...

Yoakley House

Drapers Close, Margate

Kent CT9 4AH

For details or to arrange a visit:

Tel: **01843 223652**

Email: **admin@yoakleycare.co.uk**

www.yoakleycare.co.uk

OXMARKET GALLERY
CHICHESTER
SEPTEMBER 10-16th 2019

IMAGINE THAT!

David and Andrea Chance and friends
Icons.....paintings.....prints.....sculpture

Informal demonstrations in the media used for Iconography throughout.

Tuesday lunchtime talk by renowned Iconographer Peter Murphy.

Weekend lunchtime music.....we
hope!

Please check details with the gal-
lery.

Would love to see you there!

