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St Saviour's Parish Church**

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ST SAVIOUR WESTGATE ON SEA**

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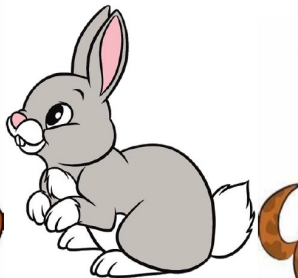
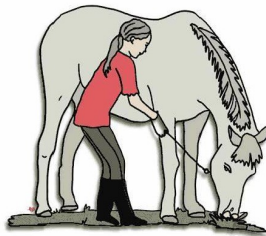
... "All creatures great and small"

ST FRANCIS CELEBRATION

PET BLESSING SERVICE

SUNDAY 3rd OCTOBER at 3pm

Please bring your pets, large or small,
for a blessing.



Dear friends,

September has been a month of unusual fullness of blessings and this has included the beautiful weather which has helped us keep church open and welcoming and the welcoming of three new members of our church through Baptism. Now that Autumn seems to have arrived, we're aware of more restrictions on our freedom and the need to make the most of all the opportunities we have to celebrate God's goodness. Harvest last weekend helped us to do just that.

Looking forward, especially with the uncertainties of the virus as well as the challenge of getting the heating working in its new form, we're still able in October to keep a focus on open-hearted welcome, especially to those who, for one reason or another, have not been in church for some time. Church represents so much to so many people- stability, sanctuary, permanence and peace- to name a few, and it has been clear to us all over the past year how precious this is. So- if you haven't ventured in for a while- do, please come and visit us soon, either during the week from 10.30- 12.30 or on Sundays as you are able.

This month sees our celebration of St Francis and, in particular, his love of creation and all of God's creatures in the special Pet Blessing service at the beginning and, at the end of the month, the annual celebration of Hallowe'en. This year, this Festival falls on a Sunday and will be especially significant in marking both All Saints in the morning and All Souls with a special service in the afternoon as well as being the date on which our four candidates; Melissa, Melanie, Andy and Alfie will be confirmed in the cathedral in the early evening. This is a wonderful reminder of the spiritual journey we are all making through life and is a cause for great joy and celebration.

May you ever be conscious of God's presence with you as you continue on your pilgrimage of life.

Mother Karen



St Saviour's Church, Westgate

PANTRY IN THE PORCH

HELP YOURSELF

Available from the PORCH entrance in
WESTGATE BAY AVENUE

10.30am to 12.30pm

MONDAY TO SATURDAY



**ONE PERSON AT A TIME IN THE
PORCH.**

REMEMBER SOCIAL DISTANCING.

St Saviour's Church, Westgate

CLOTHES RAIL

IN THE PORCH

BABY CLOTHES

CHILDREN'S

CLOTHES



ADULT CLOTHES

PLEASE HELP YOURSELF TO ITEMS
ON THE RAIL & IN THE BOXES

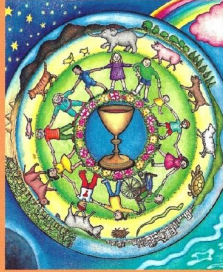


St Saviour's Church, Westgate

**CRAFTS,
MUSIC,
SINGING**



I Belong



**PUPPETS,
STORIES**

**I Belong Group meets in Church
On the 1st Saturday of each month**

2pm to 3.30pm

All ages of families welcome

Refreshments at 3pm



I Belong Club

The first I Belong Club of Autumn met in September and was attended by 3 children and 2 adults. The theme of the meeting was “Names”, we all introduced ourselves by playing games, icing biscuits, listening to a story, singing and naming puppets. A good time was had by all and there was enough time to do some planting in the garden by request of the children and then singing. The meeting finished with us all having something to eat and then playing a ball game where we called out our names which led to lots of giggles. Families are all welcome to come and join in the fun and make new friends.



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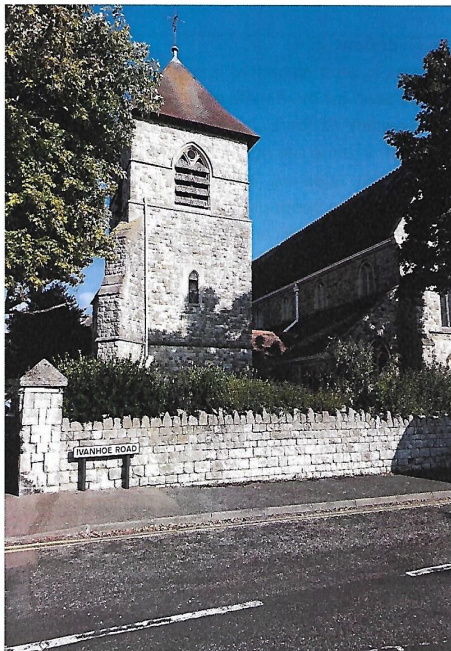
**CHURCH IS OPEN FOR SERVICES ON SUNDAY
AT 9am (Holy Communion Prayer Book) LAST
SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH**

and Sung Eucharist at 10.30am every Sunday.

**SUNDAY SERVICES at 10.30am are
live – streamed from church.**

**You can join us online by accessing the church
website (www.stsaviourswestgate.org.uk) &
obtaining the link on the Visiting Page shown
below the service information.**

St Saviours Community Hub.



A New and Exciting Project to Support and Enhance the Community of Westgate on Sea.

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Introduction and Overview.

A Church often seems to be a place that is only open on a Sunday. Which is great, but why can it not be used for the benefit of local people throughout the week? After all, it is a community asset. St Saviours Church in Westgate has this in mind. It is a huge, grand building on a prime site right in the middle of the Town and definitely one of the most architecturally stunning. Mother Karen Gooding has the vision that St Saviours could and should be better utilised as an integral part of the community that it serves. With an "open door" welcoming policy, to everyone in Westgate and the surrounding district, and that door will be open seven days a week, not just on Sunday.

St Saviours will develop into an important focal point for residents, essentially operating as a "hub" for the community. Allowing it to be used by local people and adopted by community groups, who in turn provide a comprehensive variety of services, facilities and therefore activities. The aim is that the church will bring people together in a way that it never has before.

The main innovation of the project is to use the garden area, which is a lot bigger space than it looks at the moment, and building a Garden Room. This will act as the "Shop Front", for the project.

To work on the project's development, an enthusiastic team of parishioners has been organised and they are collaborating with John Bailey of Thomas Ford Architects. With additional support and backing from Westgate on Sea Town Council, specifically; Cllr David Donaldson and the Town Clerk; Gill Gray.

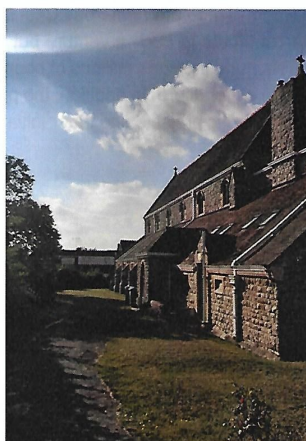
The Community Garden, and Garden Room.

The garden area obviously has huge potential and can become a little oasis right in the middle of town. It will incorporate a Garden Room, which will be built as an extension to the main church with an entry through the Church gateway in St Mildred's Road. The entrance and doorways will be ergonomically designed to allow easy and convenient access.

The design and construction will be very modern and most importantly have green credentials, but without being out of context with the beautiful architecture of the main church building. The roof will have the appearance of slates, but will be constructed of photo-voltaic cells to provide solar electricity. This combined with modern insulation will create a very energy efficient structure.

As with all gardens, for the community garden to thrive, it will need a prolific supply of water and the architects are thinking through how rainwater can be used, not just from the garden room, but also rain water from the main church roof can be utilised and stored. They are also designing a solar powered pump configuration, that will be required for the irrigation of the garden.

The garden room will have the capacity to accommodate 40 plus people at any one time. It will physically be built in the space between the two photographs below, and connected to the church building through the Vestry door at the right-hand side.



Services and Facilities.

These will be all inclusive, covering mothers and toddlers right through to Ageless Thanet. The church is very proactive in encouraging community groups and indeed individuals to make their "home" there. It is a case of building up the usage and ensuring current groups continue to thrive such as the Westgate Heritage Centre.

The Key is Partnership.

The project recognised right from the beginning that working in partnership with community groups is the underlying key to successful community development. To be able to provide comprehensive services and facilities for local people the project will focus on working on and developing close partnership with the multitude of groups that already exist in Westgate and the surrounding areas. Even though the project is at an embryonic stage already outreach work has begun, and has been effective.

One such project is "Looking Ahead" which operates primarily from Minster, but also has The King Street Studio and Gallery in Margate. Their success has spanned over a period of 17 years. It provides its users with a whole range of interesting and educational activities; arts and crafts, woodwork, gardening and cooking skills.

Looking Ahead have committed themselves to being part of the project, and welcome the St Saviours innovative approach, and the enthusiasm, and support from Westgate Town Council, whose offices exist divinely, under the shadow of St Saviours Church.

Finance and Funding.

To pull this off the project will require quite a heavy initial investment to build the Garden Room. There are numerous Charities Trusts and organisations that would be willing to contribute to such a venture but the core funding will be from the National Lottery. This Fund provides millions of pounds into community projects both for capital and revenue expenditure. In addition, the project will also seek a "patch work" of other funding for specific projects and other initiatives.

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FROM THE REGISTERS

For those Baptised

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

Sunday 29th August Trevor and Dean

Sunday 26th September Zachary

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”

Saturday 4th September Clare and Stephen

The Sick

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

Anne and John, Phyll, Doreen, Beryl, Joyce, Vanessa, Janice, Michele, Stuart, Gordon, Gill, Jean, Ann, Terry, Derrick, Peter

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

Cecily

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”

Arthur, Brenda

World War 2 Roll of Honour

Donald Stewart 14th October 1939 Henry Hambidge 22nd October 1944

ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH, WESTGATE

**ALL SOULS
COMMEMORATIVE
SERVICE**



SUNDAY 31ST OCTOBER

AT 3PM



**REMEMBERING OUR
DEPARTED LOVED ONES**

Glance back over September

So much has happened in September that I feel it's likely I'll leave something out! We began the new school term with a weekend packed full of activities for all ages: the Heritage Centre's first meeting for 18 months, a Memorial Service (on what would have been her 91st birthday) for Dr Dawn Crouch, our *I Belong* Club (gardening, sharing food, thinking about our names and naming our puppets!) the wedding of Steve and Clare and the spectacular *Lark Ascending* concert by Jack Liebeck and Daniel Grimwood which attracted an audience from far and wide, quite apart from our usual Sunday worship, which continues to be live-streamed and our growing Monday Toddler Group!

Meetings with Church members and the Town Council to prepare for the launch of the Hub project began in the first week and cumulated in *Harvest Praise* café church last weekend. We have continued to welcome visitors to Friendly Fridays, with special thanks to Joy and Sylvia for keeping this running through September, hosted *Ride and Stride*, including four Church members striding on St Saviour's behalf on 11th, baptised a father and son, visited the Cathedral for a service of dedication of the Church Wardens, Christine and Andrew and romped to the finishing line with a joyful celebration of Harvest including David Ruddock's thoroughly enjoyable piano recital on Saturday afternoon and services at 9 and 10.30, when we also welcomed Zachary and his family and friends for his Baptism. The church looked superb thanks to our Flower Team (Kathleen, Joy and Lucy).

St Saviour's team of Shepherds have continued their sterling work of sharing our beautiful church through their welcome and offer of sanctuary and support to all who pop into church during the week. I'm now able to go into school regularly again, which is a blessing, and we look forward to our first school visit for nearly two years at the end of this week, followed very soon by the whole school and families for their Harvest services on 7th October. Produce from both Church and School services will continue to supply our Pantry in the Porch for some weeks to come.

Mother Karen

The Diocese is holding a collection for Archdeacon Jo. You can send a cheque made out to Canterbury DBF and post it to Diocesan House or if you wish to pay electronically then please email finance@diocant.org for the details.

St Saviour's Church, Westgate

FLOWER ARRANGING with LUCY

Meets IN CHURCH 12.30-2pm

**“Come along to enjoy arranging
flowers in our beautiful & peaceful
church”.**

Look out for posters with details

**Garden flowers (bring any from your
own garden) Oasis & trays provided.**



**Arrangements
can be taken
home or left
for decoration
in Church**



September Concerts at St Saviours Church

One of the many blessings of the past month has been the beginning of what we hope will become a regular programme of public concerts at St Saviour's Church which is ideally suited for musical performances. The first of the two concerts this month was the brain-child of Councillor Martyn Pennington, who had been inspired to invite two prestigious artists to perform ***The Lark Ascending*** on learning that Vaughan Williams composed this ever-popular piece of music while here on holiday in 1914; the other piece in the programme was the beautiful Cesar Franck Sonata. The audience included very young children as well as experienced concert-goers from a wide area and was greatly enjoyed by all: we were delighted that it turned out to be a glorious day to welcome Jack Liebeck (violin) and Daniel Grimwood (piano) to Westgate and that, as well as a quick dip in the sea, they were able to enjoy a glass of bubbly and some nibbles with us afterwards.

Our second concert was from our very own Westgate pianist, David Ruddock, who has been known to local audiences through his performances at Quex Barn for some time but has not previously given a piano recital at St Saviour's (David has, however, supported us on a number of occasions as an organist and has a few humorous anecdotes to share from these appearances!) As 2021 marks 200 years since the composition of one of Beethoven's finest piano sonatas, David learnt this piece especially for performance this year and it formed the Finale of his recital, which also included two Preludes and Fugues of J.S. Bach, a Mozart Fantasia and a selection of a dozen Schubert Waltzes. David introduced each piece with helpful insights into the music he had chosen and we were very pleased to hear him play the piano we were kindly given last year by Emma Campbell (Florist) as well as the fine Clavinova which was gifted to the church by The Rev'd Gill Lurie and Jean Glover. We very much look forward to welcoming David back next year.

Our next concert will be an organ recital by local organist and composer Tim Attride, who has kindly agreed to wait in the wings until such time as our new heating system is working and we can assure both him and our audience of a very warm welcome! By that time, we hope also to be able to provide more comfort on the pews! Tim's *Responses* were recently sung by the Thanet Chamber Choir at Evensong in Canterbury Cathedral.



Reminder about an important meeting for members of the Friends of St Saviour's Church

The Committee would be very grateful if as many members as possible could attend our annual general meeting on **Saturday 30th October at 10.30am in church**. Refreshments will be available from 10am together with a raffle in aid of The Friends.

This AGM is exceptionally important, as not everyone retiring by rota is willing to stand again. We need to elect 3 officers (chair, secretary and treasurer) and 4 committee members.

We are particularly looking for a chairperson (position vacant since January 2020) and a secretary as I am standing down after 8 years.

Please give prayerful thought as to whether you could serve on the Committee and help raise funds to help maintain our beautiful church building and grounds.

Let me know if you would like any further information

Christine Attwood

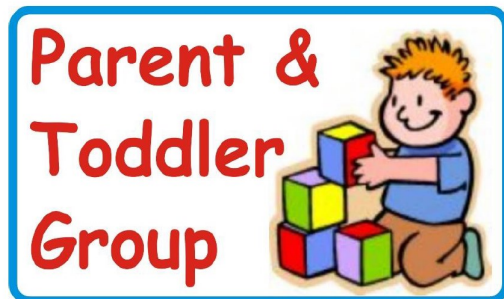
A Trustee and current Secretary of The Friends

PS It's not too late to join for 2021. Subscriptions continue at £2 per person for this year and the majority of our members kindly add a donation.



St Saviour's Church, Westgate

PARENT & TODDLER GROUP

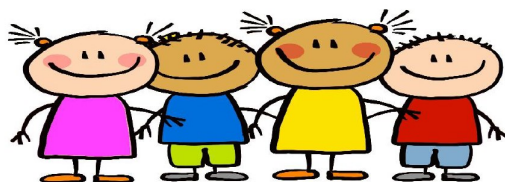


**Meets MONDAY
MORNINGS**

10.30am to 12 noon

For pre-school children & parents

**Have fun in the garden or inside if
wet**



TODDLER GROUP

Another month of Toddlers and parents meeting in the Church garden on a Monday morning has gone by. The weather has been kind to us and allowed us to be outside planting seeds, watering them (and ourselves!!) at times – handling a watering can is not always easy- and playing in the sandpit. Lots of toys come out with us – sit on and ride ones, play doh and bubbles, which are popular with everyone. The group is still flourishing and new faces appear most weeks. Today we had to meet inside due to the weather but a fun time was had by all – toddlers, parents and helpers all enjoy a very relaxed time. We always finish with gathering around the clavinova which Mother Karen plays and we sing our favourite songs and accompaniment is provided by all on the musical instruments. This month we have been treated to home made cakes at some sessions. Please feel free to drop in and join us on a Monday morning 10.30am to 12 noon you will be made very welcome.



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. **SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Donations of food needed for the Storehouse Foodbank, based at Birchington Baptist Church. Please support our local foodbank by sending donations of money to the PCC Treasurer who will forward the money directly to the Storehouse. Donations also accepted for Oasis and Porchlight. Please contact the Treasurer at neve389@btinternet.com for details **Donations of food can be left in the Porch at**

St Saviour's Church for Pantry in the Porch.

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 the NOVEMBER 2021 "The Link" is
SUNDAY 31st OCTOBER 2021



'If you would like a flower arrangement in church in memory of a loved one, we can supply this at any time..Donations from £10.'

Revd Michael Sims-Williams (1909 to 1992)

It was my pleasure to welcome Fred Sims-Williams and his daughter, to St Saviour's on Bank Holiday Monday. Fred is the son of the late Revd Michael Sims-Williams, who carved our beautiful Stations of the Cross. Miss Easton (known to many of us as "Bubbles") gave the Stations in 1986 in memory of Arthur and Gertrude Easton, her parents. The Easton family lived at Burghfield in St Mildred's Road, very close to St Saviour's Church. I am grateful to Fred for providing information about his father, which I have précised below.

Michael Sims-Williams (MSW), the youngest of 10 children, was born in 1909 in London to a barrister at the Inner Temple and his wife. Sadly, he caught polio at the age of four years old, which left his right arm and shoulder paralysed. At some point in his youth, he had operations on his right shoulder and electrical treatment to try to motivate the muscles in his arm. Unfortunately, the operations were unsuccessful.

MSW studied at Trinity Hall, Cambridge and Westcott House Anglican Theological College. He spent some time in New Zealand during which time he made the first of at least 4 boats and taught sailing to the group of Sea Scouts he had formed.

When Fred was born in the late 1930s, MSW was Vicar of St Winfrid's Church at Testwood, Totton near Southampton. This was a new church and he had had a hand in the design, as he wanted it wide to produce plays for a method he was developing of exploring the faith with young people, which he called Religion Through Drama. MSW subsequently returned to Cambridge to become Chaplain of Trinity Hall, served in Birmingham after the war and then moved to Kent becoming Vicar of Upnor on the River Medway and also Chaplain of the Arethusa Training Ship moored on the Medway, training young boys for the Royal and Merchant navies. When one of the boys died, MSW made a big cross, which is still standing tall on his grave at the end of the churchyard. On the cross he carved the bows of the Arethusa and depicted the foremast.

MSW bought an old Kent-weather boarded house in Borden (near Sittingbourne) in 1960, which was in a dreadful state with rotten floors lying on chalk and the beams full of woodworm. MSW and Fred's brother worked on the house to make it habitable to move into. By now, MSW was full-time Chaplain to St. John's Secondary Modern School in Sittingbourne from which

he eventually retired. This was the time he made many carvings, often selling them to make money for Christian Aid.

MSW made two sets of the Stations of the Cross. The other set was installed in the Parish Church of St Francis of Assisi, Petts Wood and can be viewed here <https://www.stfrancispw.org.uk/picturesofourstationsofthecross.htm>. As can be seen, figures in both sets may be identical (villagers of Borden posed for the scenes, which were photographed in MSW's garden) but ours were carved in lime on sapele whereas the other set is carved in sapele on lime.

We have been unable to discover how the Revd Stanley Evans, Vicar of St Saviour's when our Stations of the Cross were given, knew MSW but it must have something to do with Borden. Stanley was a stalwart of the Old Boys Association of Borden Grammar School, regularly attending the annual dinner and many other events at the school.

Christine Attwood

THE FRIENDS OF KENT CHURCHES RIDE AND STRIDE took place

SATURDAY 11th SEPTEMBER from 10am to 6pm.

The weather was kind to us - it was dry and bright and we met a lot of others partaking either riding or striding.

Steve and Melanie and Graham and Valda strode for St Saviour's Church, they did meet each other, one pair on the way to Birchington and the other pair on the way to Westgate - it was good to stop and have a chat!

The four of us would like to Thank everyone who welcomed people into St Saviour's Church and kept the church open all day. We would also like to say Thank you for sponsoring us, the total sponsorship total is £200 half of which will come back to St Saviour's. **THANK YOU EVERYBODY FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**



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Animals

Autumn

Back

Berry

Clearance

Clocks

Conkers

Creatures

Francis

Grounds

Jude

Leaves

Luke

October

Opal

Pet

Physician

Pumpkins

Saint

Scarecrow

Service

Simon



WESTGATE-ON-SEA HERITAGE CENTRE



- *Calendar 2022* -

HOTELS, HOSTELRIES AND HOLIDAYS IN
WESTGATE-ON-SEA

AVAILABLE SOON The Westgate-on- Sea Heritage Centre 2022 Calendar

Ideal for a Christmas present. See website for details.

**AUTUMN GROUNDS CLEARANCE this will take place on Saturday
16th and 23rd OCTOBER 10am to 12noon. All volunteers welcome,
PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN TOOLS— shears, secateurs, rakes and
forks. Refreshments provided.**



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The 1st Westgate Rainbows have been chosen as one of the Coop Local Community Fund Groups until October 2021.

We would be grateful for anyone with a Coop card to select us as their cause.

THANK YOU.



Pictures of the Harvest at St Saviour's feature throughout "The Link"

News from St Saviour's Church of England School

Just as term has started, the weather we all hoped for in August has arrived. The beautiful weather is very welcome as new Year 3 children and wet play do not mix terribly well!

St. Saviour's staff all feel very relieved to be able to start an academic year without year bubbles, masks and all the other measures we all became accustomed to over the last eighteen months. We are delighted to see year groups playing together on the playground. Staff have reverted back to using one staffroom. We have been able to open up breakfast club to more families and after school clubs recommence soon. Though staff are still taking lateral flow tests twice per week, nearly all other measures have ceased.

The downside of this return to relative normality is teachers' realisation about the huge gaps in children's learning. Not only are children presenting with gaps in their knowledge but these gaps vary enormously between year groups and individuals. We have had a large gap open up in year five between pupils eligible for Pupil Premium and those who are not. Our current year six seem to have missed far less learning than our year three and four children. Perhaps this is due to older children being more equipped with basic learning and so being better able to access remote learning. Older children are possibly more able to learn via computers at home compared to younger children.

Writing seems to have been particularly badly affected by school closures. Though children were still able to practise their reading skills, they were not receiving the daily instruction on writing skills which teachers offer. Children's access to learning at home would have also been hugely affected by whether parents had the time, resources and skills to help their children learn. Many parents would have been simply too busy working from home themselves – I do not think for a moment that employers were granting their staff time off to educate their children.

As we head into autumn and winter, I realise that Covid cases, hospitalisations and deaths will increase. This will make parents, children and school staff nervous. In the event of Covid outbreaks in schools, some parents will want to remove their children unilaterally from school. My hope is that this does not lead to the blanket closing of schools or opting out by families. I fully understand that mass school closures were necessary when we had an un-vaccinated population.

I witnessed numerous St. Saviour's parents and colleagues become very ill last winter; I was as relieved as anyone else when schools closed in January. However, now that we have very high vaccination rates, my hope is that children can stay in school and not fall even further behind. Perhaps this is wishful thinking.

Whatever happens this winter, I know that families and school staff will be working together to ensure children continue with the long and arduous task of making up for lost time in school.

Nick Bonell, Headteacher

Treasurer's Report

Statement for the month of August 2021

August 2021

Income	£7794
Expenses	<u>£2357</u>
Surplus	£5437

This is another extraordinary surplus which has arisen because of the payment by the Friends of St Saviour's of a grant towards maintenance costs totalling £3437 and VAT reclaimed amounting to £443. Also the monthly payment due for the parish share (£2576) was not taken. This has had the effect of eliminating the deficit last month as shown below, whereas had the parish share been paid, there would still be a deficit of £2530. The non-payment of the parish share has been corrected during September.

Total assets at	1 January 2021	£103340
Total assets at	31 August 2021	£103386

Surplus for year to date.....£46

G R Neve
Hon Treasurer
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Christmas Fair 2021

Please forgive me for mentioning Christmas so early, but if we want the fair to be a success, we need to start planning. A few ideas have started to form in my head, but I'm always eager to hear suggestions.

The proposed date is Saturday 11th December and will run from 12 til 3pm.

So, volunteers are needed to make a "Santa's Grotto", I think it will look best in the creche area at the back of the church. Then of course we need a Santa, and perhaps a few elves to help things run smoothly.

Children's crafts stall, somewhere the children can sit and write a letter to the main man, have a post box, so they can post their letter, then make a Christmas tree decoration to take home.

The normal tombola stall will be running so donations would be greatly received. The raffle will be slightly different this time but I'm looking into this now. I've asked someone to do face painting again as this is always a success. A produce stall, another great stall, please if you can bake something, that we can sell on this stall please let me know, people flock for homemade goodies especially at Christmas time.

Pam will oversee the catering again and nearer the time we will be asking for help.

Well that's enough for now and I hope we make this fair a huge success and another great family day.

Chris x



CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Bellringers Practice every Thursday 7.30 to 9pm.

Bible Study Group meet Thursday at 7pm, details & inquiries ring Susan 836430 .

The Westgate Heritage Centre

Meets on the 2nd Saturday of the month in October and on the 1st Saturday of each month thereafter 10am to 12noon. A talk is usually given at these sessions.

Refreshments are available. See the website for further details.

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 up-keep of the church and grounds. Membership forms at the back of the church or ring

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



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

St Saviour's Church has a Hearing Loop System

Large print Hymn Books and Pew Sheets are available.

Gluten Free wafers are also available please see

Sidespersons or Churchwardens

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday Services

9am Holy Communion Prayer Book on the last Sunday of each month.

10.30am Sung Eucharist

SEE NOTICES FOR SERVICES

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1st Westgate Rainbows Fridays 4.15 to 5.15pm

8th Westgate Brownies & Guides Fridays 5.30 to 7pm

Brownies for ages 7 to 10 years Guides for 10 to 16 years

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



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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

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