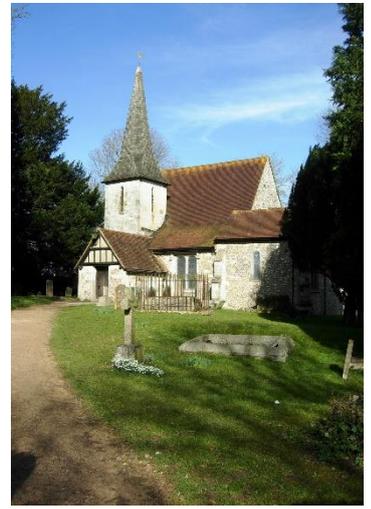


# St Peter & St Paul's, Chaldon Newsletter

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## Pilgrimage

*The point of travelling is not  
To arrive but to return home  
Laden with pollen you shall work up  
Into honey the mind feeds on.*

R.S.Thomas

The concept of pilgrimage crosses continents, faiths and time, it is both a useful metaphor and an enjoyable reality. A pilgrimage is defined as a journey to a holy place, usually but not always, on foot.

When I take a baptism I refer to the candidate as embarking on the pilgrim journey of life and I use the opportunity to remind everyone present that they too are at a particular place on their own pilgrim journey of life and faith.

<p><b>PARISH REGISTER</b></p> <p><b>Baptism</b> 29<sup>th</sup> July Isla Michelle Nash</p>
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Storytellers whether in books, films or theatre use the idea of pilgrimage of interior or exterior journeys that change the protagonist, it is a familiar device, so familiar that in my family the cliché is reduced to 'and all along the answer was inside them'. In other words you can travel to the ends of the earth but the change and learning comes from within. That's what I like about R.S.Thomas' four line poem at the start of this piece, with beautiful simplicity he suggests that we travel in order to return with new experiences and new insights to mull over when we get back home.

Some of you will have seen and studied the film 'The Way' which formed the basis of our 2018 Lent Course and which gave me the impetus for this pilgrimage, talking about walking and pilgrimage was fascinating but it also gave some of us itchy feet! So next year in the month of May I am leading a one week pilgrimage for both parishes; it will not take us far from home because we will be walking the ancient pilgrim path from Chaldon to Canterbury, just one section of the whole which actually starts in Winchester progresses via Southwark and which of course passes close by our very own pilgrim church of St Peter and St Paul's.

The plan is to leave after the 11.15am service at Chaldon on Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup> and walk through the afternoon, continuing each day for 5 and days covering approximately 15 miles per day.

The full itinerary is yet to be worked out, but the beauty of this pilgrim route is that some can do the whole thing, some can join for a day or half day or maybe join us for a mealtime along the way. Each day will start and finish with worship and each night will be spent in church accommodation on or close to our route.

For sure there will be fun, for sure there will be blisters, for sure there will be rain.....and if you book early, for sure the final night will be spent in the Lodge which stands inside Canterbury Cathedral precinct. We hope to have access to the cathedral after it is closed to the public for a candlelit pilgrimage led by Canon Clare Edwards and on Saturday morning we can attend Eucharist in the crypt before returning home.

The one booking that individuals should make asap is for Canterbury Cathedral Lodge on Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>, there are currently rooms available but it does fill up quickly so if you are interested in that part of the journey you should go online and book at: [www.canterburycathedrallodge.org](http://www.canterburycathedrallodge.org) or phone 01227 865350.

If the walking is not for you, but you would like to support the pilgrimage in other ways by helping with the transport, the logistics or in any other way, then please do let me know because this whole venture will involve teamwork. I really hope that as many people as possible will find ways of being involved in our 2019 Parish Pilgrimage so that as many of us as possible will return home with pollen to make honey to feed both mind and spirit, and stories to share with those who care to listen!

Rev Helen



### MORNING PRAYER 8.30am

At 8.30am on Wednesday Morning all members of Caterham Churches are welcome to join the Caterham Churches Together Morning Prayer.

In August morning prayer is being held in Chaldon Church. Please feel free to join Rev Helen as she leads the prayer group.

### MOSSY CHURCH

For two Thursdays in August we will be offering **Mossy Church** - Chaldon's very own 'Forest Church' Come along and join us for our weekday mid-morning eucharist followed by outdoor activities and a picnic lunch.

**Where: St Peter and St Paul's Chaldon**

**When: Thursday August 9th  
Thursday August 16th  
10.30am to lunchtime.**

Contact Rev Helen for more details.

### FRIENDS OF CHALDON CHURCH

**Saturday 15th September 2.30pm**  
**The Unknown Florence Nightingale**  
**Statistician & Social Reformer**

An illustrated talk by Ted Howard on the major contributions Florence made to many aspects of public life and social welfare.  
Tickets - £5 at the door  
Tea and cakes will be available for sale after the Talk.

Venue: Chaldon Village Hall, Rook Lane, CR3 5BN



### Services During August

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity**

8.00am BCP Eucharist  
11.15am All Age Eucharist

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity**

8.00am BCP Eucharist  
11.15am Eucharist

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity**

8.00am BCP Eucharist  
11.15am Eucharist

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity**

8.00am BCP Eucharist  
11.15am Matins

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity**

8.00am BCP Eucharist  
11.15am All Age Eucharist

**Thursday 10.30am Eucharist with extra activities for children on August 9th & 16th.**

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

1. Christopher, Bishop of Southwark and Jonathan, Bishop of Croydon.
2. The Caterham Team Ministry and all its clergy.
3. Our Zimbabwe Link Parish, St Matthew's
4. The sick: Colin and Denise Le Geyt, Pete Adkins, Michael Gill, Pat Johnson  
Also for those who care for them, and the bereaved.
5. The departed:



### CHALDON VILLAGE FETE MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

The Friends of Chaldon Church will again be running a stall and selling Christmas cards and other items.

**All proceeds from Friends Events go towards the upkeep of Chaldon Church.**

**If you are able to help with the Church's stall please see the Churchwardens.**

### READERS ROTA

	Gospel	New/Old Testament
<b>5<sup>th</sup> August 2018</b>	John 6, 24-35	
10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	<b>Rachel/Jessica</b>	
<b>12<sup>th</sup> August 2018</b>	John 6, 35, 41-51	Ephesians 4, 25-5.2
11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	<b>Ted Howard</b>	<b>Debbie Chamberlayne</b>
<b>19<sup>th</sup> August 2018</b>	John 6, 51-58	Ephesians 5, 15-20
12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	<b>Ted Howard</b>	<b>Mark Oswald</b>
<b>26<sup>th</sup> August 2018</b>	John 6, 56-69	Ephesians 6, 10-20
13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	<b>John Gilbert</b>	<b>Alison Forster</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2018</b>	Mark 7, 1-8, 14, 15, 21-23	
14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity	<b>Natasha/ Zoe</b>	

### Greenbelt Aug 24<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> from Rev Helen

This is a 4 day festival of faith, music, art and peace and justice. I have had to miss the festival for the last 3 years but will be back in my tent this year. It is a place where I find food for my soul and there is fun for all the family. If you think you might like to give it a try it is perfect for all ages and families, just grab me for a chat and I'll fill you in or look online at: [www.greenbelt.org.uk](http://www.greenbelt.org.uk)