

Please remember in your prayers

All those who live in:

Woodland Way
Woodmere Avenue
Woodmere Close
Woodmere Gardens

Churches Together in Shirley:

St. George's – the People of this Church and Parish

Those in acute need, among them:

Sonia Birch, Ken, Christine Lutman;

Those whose need is ongoing, among them:

Andy Stranack, Ninna;
Alan Williams, Pauline Russell
Verity Johnson, Paul Oates
Mark and Paul Hare
Steve Barrett, Pat Barrett

Those who are no longer able to attend church:

Pam Purkis, Heather Orton

Those who have died recently

Those whose year's mind falls at this time:

William Job, Florence Emily Glover
Mabel Ellen Wenn, Ethel Margaret Worsfold
Beatrice Davis, Colin Andrew Clark
Alice Hale, Melva Dorothy Brown

**The flowers this week have been arranged and donated by
Janet Fitt in loving memory of her sister Jean**

Eco Tip: No. 604 The boy on the beach

Ponder the story of a little boy on a beach throwing stranded starfish back into the ocean. "Why do you bother?" a man asked him. "There are hundreds of them. You couldn't possibly save them all. "No," the little boy answered, "but I can save this one, and it makes a difference to him."

Fire Drill

During August, at a 10am Sunday service there will be a fire drill. If you hear whistles, please evacuate the Church and follow the instruction of our Churchwarden and Assistant Churchwardens.

Outdoor Worship: 6 September at 4pm

We will be launching our fresh Expression next month as we celebrate the new Festival in the life of a Church: Creation in Christ. This marks the start of the season of creationtide. There will be chairs for those who need to sit, as well as music and refreshments. Please join us!

Outdoor Worship will help us be more visible to our local community, build on our commitment to the environment as a Gold Eco Church, and help people connect with God in the beauty of nature.

Tea and Coffee Rota

Is anyone able to take a turn on the tea and coffee rota? Please speak to Jan Payne. We will continue to provide Fairtrade ordinary and decaf coffee and English breakfast tea. If you would prefer a different kind of tea you are welcome to bring your own, we have hot water.

Annual Leave: Rev Jenny will be away 22nd-24th & 27th-31st August.

PARISH GIVING (regular donations)

Please join the Parish Giving Scheme and set up a direct debit on this page: www.parishgiving.org.uk and then type in this parish code: **370637372**

ONE OFF DONATIONS - we recommend that one off donations are given through the Parish Giving Scheme

You can still give directly to our bank account. Please put your name as a reference.
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
St George the Martyr, Shirley
Sort code: 60 - 23 - 22 Account number: 44558422

Priest's Preserves Today

Preserves will be on sale in the hall after the service. If there is something in particular that you would like please contact Hilary who would be pleased to make it specially for you.

Concert at St George's: Sunday 13th September at 2:30pm

Singsmiths Chamber Choir will be performing 'Songs of Flight'. Featuring music by: Elgar, Quartel, Wong, Higgins & Edenroth. Tickets will be sold on the door: £8 for adults and £5 for under 18's.

Murder Mystery Evening:

On Saturday 26th September here at St George's, in aid of Church funds. 6pm for a 6:30pm start. £10 per ticket plus bring a plate of food for the buffet table. Maximum of 8 people in a team. Don't worry if you plan to come on your own as we will allocate a space on a team for you. Bring cash for the raffle. Please contact Heather Barker or Jan Payne for tickets.

Favourite Word

A request from Brian McGinnis for people to share with him their favourite word. This is for something he's doing for the September Magazine. If it's not an English word, he would appreciate a translation.

Church Bench

One of the garden benches (in the garden) needs some TLC. One of the back supports is loose and several are missing. Is anyone able to have a look at the bench to see if anything can be done to improve its safety? Please speak to Jan Turner if you think you can help. Thank you.

Shrublands Trust Foodbank—Most Needed Items

☐ Deodorant	☐ Potatoes	☐ Pasta sauces
☐ Fruit	☐ Long spaghetti	☐ Soap powder
☐ Jam	☐ Meat meals	☐ Tea bags
☐ Fish, preferably in water	☐ Plain meat	☐ Vegetables

If you would like to make a cash or cheque donation (payable to St. George's Shirley PCC), please place it in an envelope marked "Foodbank" and place it in the offertory bag during the collection. Thank you.



The Parish of
St George the Martyr
Shirley

NEWSLETTER

✱ Following Christ ✱ Serving Community ✱ Welcoming All ✱

Sunday 16th August 2026 10am Eucharist The Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday 17 August

9am Zoom Morning Prayer
8:45am Pop-In Coach Trip to Eastbourne



Tuesday 18 August

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

Wednesday 19 August

9am Zoom Morning Prayer
10am Church Cleaning
11:30am Eucharist in the Lady Chapel



Thursday 20 August

9am Zoom Morning Prayer
7:30pm PCC meeting in Choir Vestry

Why not join us for
Morning Prayer on Zoom?

Friday 21 August

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

User ID: 898 1412 8311
Password: 58L79A

Next Week: Sunday 23 August
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

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