

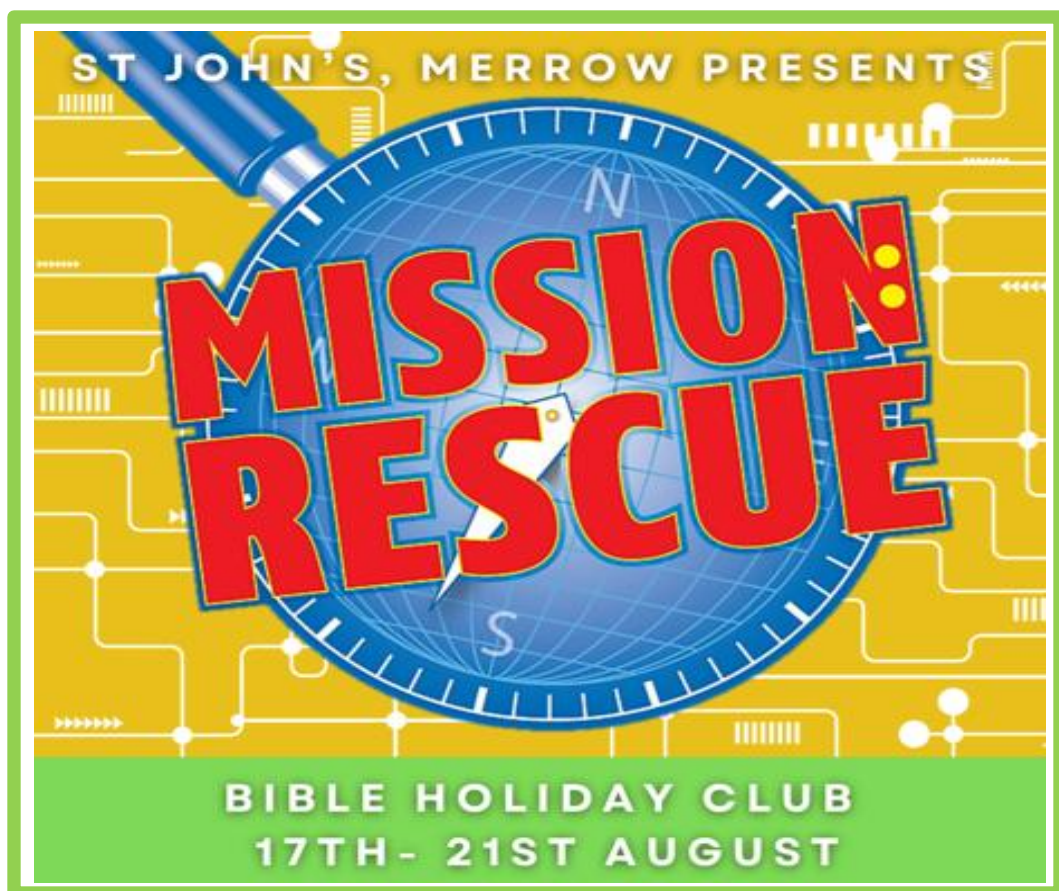
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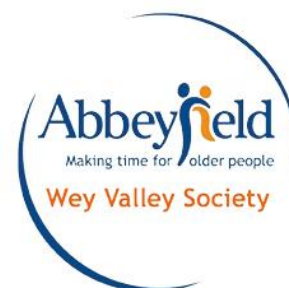


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Evening Prayer on Fridays at 5pm in Church.

All are welcome.

AUGUST 2026 SUNDAY SERVICES (Year A)

- Sunday 2nd August** 9th Sunday after Trinity, Green
Romans 9.1-5, Matthew 14.13-21
8am BCP Holy Communion
10am All Age Worship
- Sunday 9th August** 10th Sunday after Trinity, Green
Romans 10.5-15, Matthew 14.22-33
8am BCP Holy Communion
10am CW Holy Communion
- Sunday 16th August** 11th Sunday after Trinity, Green
Romans 11.1-2a,29-32, Matthew 15.{10-20} 21-28
8am BCP Holy Communion
10am CW Holy Communion
- Sunday 23rd August** 12th Sunday after Trinity, Green
Romans 12.1-8, Matthew 16.13-20
8am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holiday Club Service
- Sunday 30th August** 13th Sunday after Trinity, Green
Romans 12.9-end, Matthew 16.21-end
8am BCP Holy Communion
10am CW Holy Communion

Sunday 6th September

14th Sunday after Trinity. Green

Romans 13.8-end, Matthew 18.15-20

8am BCP Holy Communion

10am All Age Worship

Please note:

Wednesday Holy Communion will be held weekly at 10.30am in the Merrow Hall during August, **except for 19th August** (as this is holiday club week).

FROM THE REGISTERS:

Baptisms:

28th June Edward Kenneth Moore
19th July Laurence David Thomas Parry
26th July Elliott Michael Parrot
26th July Prue Joyce Parrot

Funerals:

14th July Sally Norcliffe
20th July Carlos Gil Rivas
24th July Norma Sirojini Churaman



FROM THE RECTORY

Welcome to our August parish magazine!

Although August is in the school holidays, life at St John's continues. After our fantastic Church Fete 2026, where we raised £5k for the charities we support (Christians Against Poverty, Compassion and Foodwise), with excellent leadership from Richard Burtonwood who organized the event, this month we have our Holiday Club for school aged children.

This year's holiday club is called 'Mission Rescue.' During the week, our young people will become secret agents with the mission to follow Moses on daring missions. Diving into the book of Exodus, cracking codes, follow clues, and seeing how God's epic rescue plan shows His power and love for His people. At the end of the week, our Sunday 10am service on 23rd August will be an All-Age service, where we welcome any of our holiday club attendees and Georgie and I explain the exciting week to the wider congregation. So do come along to find out what happened!

At the beginning of September, our 10am All Age worship on 6th September will include our annual blessing of backpacks, work bags, shopping bags and even handbags! Please do bring a bag with you to the 10am service.

Please continue to pray for the work and mission of your church, and if you're in need of a prayer to pray, do take a look at our church prayer below. We will continue to pray for you!

*Living God, help us to tell afresh the Good News of your love,
that we may all grow in faith and live in the hope of eternal life with
you,
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.*

With good wishes,

Tim



WEDNESDAY COFFEE CLUB

Following the success of our trip to Paddington, we thought we would try a couple of informal get togethers over the summer, so we are holding two events:

The Horse & Groom Merrow on the **5th August at 11.30am**, and

Edwins Garden Centre at Clandon Park on the **26th August at 11.30am**.

These are drop-in events, and anyone is welcome to join me - members and non-members. There is no need to book, just turn up!

Hope to see you there, and either way enjoy the Summer.

[Coffee morning will be restarting on Wednesday 2nd Sept at 10.15am in the church centre after our Summer Break].

Gerald Hunt

(Should you have any queries, please contact me on e-mail merrowcoffeemorning@hotmail.com or ring me on 07545256114)

The front page of this month's magazine reminds us of our Holiday Club for young people. Holiday Club is now fully booked with a waiting list!

Thank you very much to **Chantries & Pewleys** for sponsoring our colour magazine cover again this year.

ST JOHN'S WOMEN-IN-FELLOWSHIP

Women in Fellowship upcoming Events

Saturday 10th October - 8.30am - Breakfast and talk
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If you wish to know more about the Women-In-Fellowship or the events, please contact Carole Burtonwood

carole.burtonwood@saintjohns.org.uk or Lindsay Dobson
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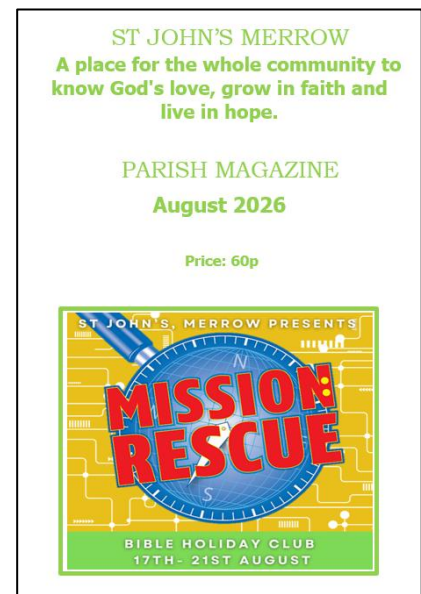
We are urgently looking for more people to get involved with producing the Parish Magazine.

The magazine is a focal point for information about St John's activities and makes a healthy profit for church funds. We currently need TWO additional guest editors.

Guest editors receive a document template with the magazine cover, adverts and regular pages already inserted. They then insert articles from both regular and occasional contributors and are free to add anything of particular interest to themselves. After proof-reading, they send the completed copy to the printers.

Please contact Cathy Thompson (cathy.thompson@saintjohns.org.uk or ring 07518 202920) if you would like more information.

Thank you for considering this.



LIFE IN A RURAL PARISH OR PARISHES!

At the Women in Fellowship's July breakfast meeting, we were treated to a very interesting talk by our own Margaret Dean, who spoke to us of her time as Rector of originally 4, and finally 12 rural parishes in Norfolk, prior to her returning to Guildford on her retirement.



Margaret was born in a rectory, and said rectory life was in her bloodstream. Having trained as a teacher, her first teaching post was at what is now Christ's College, Guildford. Here, she taught RE and music, and felt her time at this school was a wonderful introduction into understanding people, their lives, hardships etc. In 1984, the Head suggested she might be interested in a job with the Diocese of Guildford. This she took, and became involved in 85 church schools, supporting those working with children, and put her in a place she really loved.

In the late 90s, the Vicar of Burpham, where she and husband Tim worshipped at that time, suggested Margaret might think of ordination. She was unsure, but said she would start the conversation, and by 2007, at Guildford Cathedral both she and husband Tim were ordained. As Margaret said, God had given me a job which I deeply loved until I retired.

After a curacy in Farncombe, the need to find a parish took Margaret and Tim to Norfolk, where Margaret became a Rector, with Tim as her assistant, so that he could pursue other work interests. Margaret mentioned that every diocese has a very different feel and culture and in the diocese of Norfolk, she was responsible for 4 parishes with a total population of about 3000 people, which is a similar population to Merrow Park.

The 4 parishes of Reepham, Thurning, Salle and Wood Dalling were linked together by their ancient churches, tiny communities and a wonderful team of clergy in a rural landscape of flat farm fields linked by country lanes. Driving from parish to parish could take a while, as Margaret shared the narrow lanes with sugar beet lorries, oil delivery lorries and school buses! On one occasion she recalled, when aiming to reach a church to take a baptism service, she met an ancient tractor coming in the opposite direction, followed by eighteen more! She sat in her passing place for quite a while and needless to say, the baptism service was a bit delayed!

When Margaret arrived in Reepham, there had not been a Rector for two years, so her focus was on working to build links with all the community, to

encourage togetherness between the church and the community, to be seen and to talk with all those who lived in the area. She was blessed to be supported by a delightful team of people including a curate, lay minister and a retired Bishop. She found it lovely, having her own private mentor just down the road!

Organising church services, preachers etc for the 4 churches was a bit like organising a school time table! Each of her ancient churches had interesting differences. St Andrews in Thurning, with a population of about 100, had benches which in the past were for the servants of the big houses and farmworkers. There were hat pegs for the men's caps and 13 boxed pews one - for the Rector's coachman. In the churchyard was a stable used for the Rector's horse! Probably there has been a change of use now as Margaret drove her car! Here, Ada had been church warden for 46 years. The congregation of about 10 enjoyed fortnightly services. However, at Christmas the church would be packed.

At Wood Dalling there was virtually no stained glass, so the church was light and airy, although it did have a huge roost of bats! Pat, the church warden, had the job of covering chairs, the organ, the altar etc between services to keep things free of bat droppings! Although here, there was a population of about 200, Margaret rarely saw these parishioners, as only about six attended the service. Maybe the bats put them off! This was known as a Festival church, as it was mainly used for Christmas, Easter, weddings, funerals etc. In this parish harvest festivals were held in barns on farms and of course there was a pet service!

The third church in Margaret's team was Salle, whose 126' tower stood proud above the fields. This church was described as one of the finest in Norfolk, with a lavish 15th century interior but it was freezing in winter! It had fabulous carved misericords and a fine seven sacrament font. This font had an elaborate wooden canopy, with a lifting crane which cranked up for baptism. As the font was tall and she had to stand on a precarious box, Margaret always asked the parents to hold the babies at this font as she felt it was safer! Salle church's excellent acoustic meant it hosted many summer concerts when beautiful music filled its spacious interior.

The closest church to the rectory was in the busy, historic market town of Reepham, the largest within the Benefice with a population of about 2,700. It is one of only two places in Europe to have had three churches in the same churchyard. St Marys was where the more formal services were held and, as this had the biggest community of the four parishes services were

held weekly. St Michaels was used as a community centre. The third church in the churchyard is what remained of All Saints, which was destroyed by fire in 1543. Reepham had two schools as well as a sixth form college and Margaret would be



involved in assemblies etc. Folk in Reepham didn't really fully understand the life of the local farmers, so to help improve this understanding between communities Rogation Sunday saw a flatbed tractor moving around the farms to help explain differences etc.

For Margaret, life in the rural parishes around Reepham was about people who connected, who enjoyed a real mixture of worship including Celtic worship, or a reflective day in a garden, gifted people who were happy to help. All of this made the six and a half years a very enjoyable time for Margaret, as Rector.

Thank you Margaret, for sharing your life in rural parishes with us. It was fascinating.

Jo Neate

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FROM MERROW C OF E INFANT SCHOOL

[Mrs Dormer, Headteacher of both the Infant and Junior School, sent out her final newsletter for the term, and we include here some highlights!]



She reports,

'Dear Parent/Carer

We are now speeding toward the end of term, but still plenty to enjoy! Our children (and staff!) have thoroughly enjoyed their Transition sessions, learning about what to expect next year and completing some fun activities in preparation. We welcomed our new Reception children who settled very quickly into the classroom and started making new friends...'

Some children reflected on their experience of the Church Fete..

St. John's Fair

We went to the St John's Summer fair. There were lots of fun stalls like Holy Moly Maze, obstacle courses and bottle tombola - all of them were fun and cheap! Our Maypole dancers and choir performed - they were great!

There were lots of kind volunteers and the whole community raised lots of money for charity.

By Umut and Jonas 4K

And some great tips for what's on offer for children during the summer hols and beyond:

Guildford Library runs an annual Summer Reading Challenge for children ages 4-11. People participate by reading books from July to September; collecting stickers, a certificate and a medal for completing their reading goals. The Summer Reading Challenge started on Saturday 4th July and ends on Saturday the 12th September! Adults can also participate as well if you or family members are interested.



The theme of this year's book challenge is music! Pop,K-pop, rock,heavy metal and more...

Summer Activities for children with SEND: From 25th June to 1st September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a wide range of attractions. Combined with free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England, families and young people will be able to enjoy experiences that make summer special, including visits to the kinds of cultural and educational attractions that enrich children's lives outside the classroom.

Use this attraction finder: <https://summersavings.gov.uk>

Want to have a go at DJing, coding for video games, filmmaking, music technology, and more? Join us for the Surrey Youth Arts and Culture Festival 2026 taking place on Saturday 26 September 2026 at the Staines Library Hub between 11am until 3pm.



The festival, now in its fourth year, offers free workshops, performances and shows for young people aged 11 to 18. There will be lots of fun and creative activities to get stuck in with and have a go. The festival helps young people get involved in the arts and develop their creative skills.

We can't wait to see you there!

Find out more here: [Surrey Youth Arts and Culture Festival - Surrey County Council](#)

CHURCH FETE – Thank you!

As the fete team gathered on the morning of our Church Fete, with the sun shining and Alexandra and Tim's garden looking fabulous, there was excitement in the air! We were well-informed, organised and knew what we were doing, thanks to Richard (our fete co-ordinator). Lots of preparation work had already been done the night before, and the advanced gardening party, the week before, had done some extra branch pruning to make room for the gazebos.

The fete seemed bigger than ever, with lots on offer for our visitors, particularly for the children - it was great to see how excited they were to win a jolly jar or hook a duck! We all enjoyed the traditional coconut shy, tombolas, raffle, book, plant and home produce stalls. Some beautiful hand-knitted teddies on sale, made by our own Dorothy, and a mystery gift bag stall! With our huge team on refreshments and the barbecue, there was lots on offer for lunch or afternoon tea. Lovely to see maypole dancing – a true tradition at the Merrow Church Fete!



A massive thank you to you all for joining us at the fete, and for helping St John's to raise the record-breaking sum of £5,000 for our supported charities. Thank you also to our amazing fete team (we couldn't do what we do without you all), and last but certainly not least, a big thank you to our wonderful Tim and Alexandra for allowing us to move into their garden for the weekend, and for the huge amount of preparation work they did!

Cathy Thompson

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT MERROW!

Merrow may feel like a quiet suburb today, but it has a surprisingly rich history. Here are some interesting facts:

The name "Merrow" has an ancient meaning

It is thought to come from Old English, meaning "fat" or fertile land, probably referring to the area's productive farmland centuries ago.

It has a church that's nearly 900 years old

St John the Evangelist Church dates back to the mid-12th century. Although much of the building has been altered over the centuries, it still contains Norman features, including an original arch, making it one of the oldest buildings in the area.

Merrow Downs once hosted horse racing

Long before modern sports facilities, Merrow Downs was home to the Guildford Races. Horse racing took place there from the early 1700s until around 1870, attracting large crowds during Whitsun festivities.

Surrey's oldest golf course is here

Guildford Golf Club, established in 1888, is the oldest golf club in Surrey. The course occupies part of Merrow Downs and offers panoramic views across the Surrey Hills.

Rudyard Kipling used Merrow as inspiration

Rudyard Kipling set two of his famous Just So Stories—*"How the First Letter Was Written"* and *"How the Alphabet Was Made"*—on Merrow Downs.

It's on the edge of the Surrey Hills

Merrow sits right where Guildford meets the Surrey Hills National Landscape (formerly the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty). This means residents have easy access to chalk grassland, ancient woodland, and walking routes leading to Newlands Corner.

It had a World War II prisoner-of-war camp

During the Second World War, Merrow Downs was home to Work Camp 57, which initially housed Italian prisoners captured in North Africa and later German POWs. After the war, some of the buildings were temporarily used as housing before being demolished in the 1950s.

It was once a tiny village

Before the 1950s, Merrow was a small rural village. Its population grew rapidly after the Bushy Hill council housing estate was built, transforming it into the larger suburban community seen today.

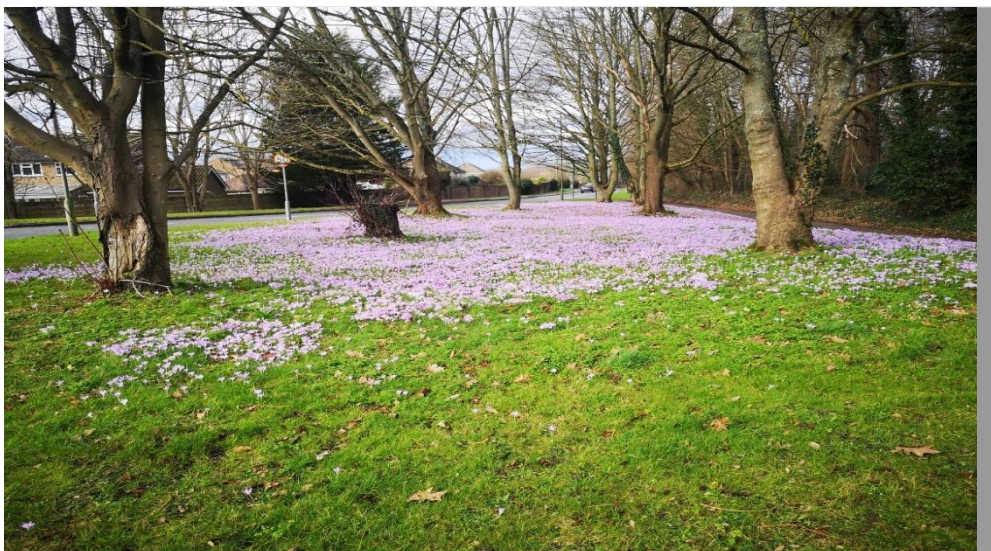
It has a long tradition of amateur theatre

The Merrow Dramatic Society has been performing for over 80 years, staging plays, pantomimes and participating in local drama festivals.

Cricket has been played here for centuries

Modern Merrow Cricket Club was founded in 1857, but cricket on Merrow Downs goes back much further—records show the area hosted important matches in the 18th century.

If you're walking around Merrow today, it's easy to miss that beneath its quiet residential streets are traces of medieval history, Georgian race meetings, wartime camps, and literary inspiration—all within a couple of miles of Guildford town centre!



GARDENING HINTS FOR AUGUST

I trust that you are continuing to enjoy the heat wave, but remember that your plants will be suffering! The best time to water, is in the evening, when your plants will have all night to retain and take in the moisture.

Continue to harvest fast growing vegetables and salad crops as they mature.

Keep Runner Beans well-watered so that the flowers are fruitful.

Increase the feeding of Tomatoes as the fruit begins to form.



Spring Cabbage and Turnip can still be sown, as can Parsley, Lettuce and Radish to produce a late crop. Main Crop Potatoes can be lifted now.

When harvesting Onions, wait until 75% of the tops have fallen naturally before lifting. Store the Onions in a dry place with good ventilation, for two weeks, after which time, they should keep for winter use.

Complete the Summer pruning of Apple and Pear Espaliers, Fans and Cordons. Remove any fruit which has been affected with brown rot and rake up any diseased leaves.

Rambling Roses, which only flower once, should be pruned after flowering. Then cut out one in three stems at the base, to encourage new growth.

For Summer Wisteria, prune by removing all new shoots to five buds from the main stem.

Now is the time to set traps amongst your Dahlias to catch Earwigs before they damage the blooms, fill a 3" pot with hay or straw and place it upside down on the end of the cane supporting the plant. The

Earwigs will climb into the pot before dawn and be waiting for you to shake them out to be disposed.

This month, on dry sunny days, you can start collecting seeds from Annuals, for sowing next Spring. Do not collect seeds from F1 Hybrids, as they will not produce true flowers until next year.

To keep your flowers in peak condition, continue to deadhead them and give them a liquid feed of a high potash fertilizer, such as Tomorite, once a fortnight.

Set the mower blades on a higher setting when cutting the grass during periods of dry weather.

Continue keeping plants in containers well-watered, especially Camellias and Rhododendrons.

John Boon

Update on the FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S HERITAGE OPEN DAYS EVENT, 19th & 20th September

Following on from the article in the July issue of the magazine about the hidden history of St John's church and the upcoming Heritage Open Days event, the Friends of St John's can now provide more information.



The church will be open on Saturday 19th September from 10am to 4pm with guided tours at 10.30am, 12.30pm and 2.30pm, and on Sunday 20th September from 11.30am to 3.30pm with guided tours at 12pm and 2pm.

As well as joining one of the guided tours, visitors can explore the church interior, learn about the pipe organ, follow the trail around the war memorial and war graves, and watch the ringers in action in the bell tower. There will also be a range of displays about the history of the church and the site, interesting artefacts (did you know that St John's has a copy of the rare 'Vinegar Bible' printed in 1717, named for

its famous misprint in Luke Ch 20) and connections with the Merrow community.

This will be a rare opportunity to explore parts of the church not usually open to the public and to learn more about the Friends' current and recently completed heritage projects.

If all of this leaves you feeling in need of a cup of tea and a biscuit, refreshments will be available throughout the day!

CHURCHWARDENS' VISITATION SERVICE

Back in June, Michael, Helen and I attended our 'churchwarden visitation service' at St Martin's Church, Dorking. This is an annual church service at which churchwardens are formally admitted or welcomed into office by a senior representative of the bishop, usually an Archdeacon, in this case, The Ven Martin Breadmore.

We arrived quite early for the service and our hosts suggested we have a look around the church. I thought I would share with you some interesting facts we learnt!

St Martin's is an imposing Grade II listed Gothic Revival building, famous for having the highest spire in Surrey. Designed by renowned architect Henry Woodyer, this local landmark contains over 1,000 years of history on its site (the first church in the Manor of Dorking being officially recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086).



The soaring spire reaches a massive 210 feet. Topped with a weather vane shaped like a Dorking cockerel, it is the second tallest church spire in England and can be seen for miles around.

The foundation stone for the tower was laid in 1873 by Dr. Samuel Wilberforce, the Bishop of Winchester. Tragically, the Bishop fell from his horse and died just two months later, prompting the tower and spire to be completed as a memorial in his honour. If you know the

walk around Abinger Roughts, you will see the Wilberforce Memorial there.

Since 1973, St Martin's has operated as a "shared church". The local Dorking Methodist congregation joined forces with the Church of England, and they have successfully shared the building and church facilities ever since.

If you haven't already done so, I would encourage you to visit this impressive church in Dorking – having worked in Redhill in the past for a few years, I passed St Martin's many, many times, but had never stopped to explore it!

Cathy Thompson

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The Music of Whitney Houston by Candlelight

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Thursday 6th 10.30 to 12.00

Free Coffee Concert with Yoon Seok Shin, pianist

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More Info: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/00s-silent-disco-inside-guildford-cathedral-friday-14th-august-tickets-1984481118446?aff=oddtcreator>

Wednesday 19th 7:30pm to 8:30pm

Hayao Miyazaki's Dreams by Mystery Ensemble

Includes renowned works composed by ingenious Joe Hisaishi, including My Neighbour Totoro, Spirited Away, Howl's Moving Castle and more!

seated: From £25+booking fee

More Info: <https://redevents.world>

Wednesday 26th 10am to 12.30pm Family Fun Day

Come and create summer themed crafts.

Must be booked in advance. Free: no booking necessary

More Info: <https://www.guildford-athedral.org/events/boxoffice>

Saturday 29th 2 CONCERTS

Tribute to Hans Zimmer & Film Favourites Illuminated

1. Entry from: 13:30 | End Time: 15:45

2. Entry from: 17:45 | Start time: 18:45 | End Time: 20:00

An immersive tribute to Hans Zimmer and cinema's most iconic music with a live chamber orchestra illuminated by light!

Seated: From £37.79

More Info: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tribute-to-hans-zimmer-film-favourites-illuminated-guildford-tickets-1983370940875?aff=oddtcreator>

POEM

This month's poem, in fact, an Eva Cassidy song.
It seemed so appropriate looking at the fields of gold in August.

*You'll remember me when the west wind moves
Upon the fields of barley
You'll forget the sun in his jealous sky
As we walk in fields of gold
So she took her love for to gaze a while
Upon the fields of barley
In his arms she fell as her hair came down
Among the fields of gold.*

*Will you stay with me?
Will you be my love?
Upon the fields of barley
We'll forget the sun in his jealous sky
As we lie in fields of gold
See the west wind move like a lover so
Upon the fields of barley
Feel her body rise when you kiss her mouth
Among the fields of gold.*

*I never made promises lightly
And there have been some that I've broken
But I swear in the days still left
We'll walk in fields of gold.*

*Many years have passed since those summer days
Among the fields of barley
See the children run as the sun goes down
Among the fields of gold
You'll remember me when the west wind moves
Upon the fields of barley
You can tell the sun in his jealous sky
When we walked in fields of gold.*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES!

(in the Centre unless mentioned otherwise)

AUGUST

Sat 1st	Churchyard Tidy-up 9.30 am
Sun 9th	Sparks 5-11s group – during 10am service in church
17th – 21 st	Mission Rescue Holiday Club (Mon-Fri)
Sun 23rd	Holiday Club Service -10am service in church
Sun 30th	Sparks 5-11s group – during 10am service in church

SEPTEMBER

Sat 5th	Churchyard Tidy-up 9.30 am
Sun 13th	Sparks 5-11s group – during 10am service in church
Sun 20th	Inter-Church 4pm in church
Sun 27th	Sparks 5-11s group – during 10am service in church

REGULAR GIVING AT ST JOHN'S

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