

# ST SIMON'S NEWS



## JULY 2009

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**Children and Youth**

We have children's groups at all  
10.30 services.

**KISS** at 9.30 on 1st Sunday every month  
is specially for kids.

We have Youth Cells

There's also Football Club every other  
Thursday at St. Luke's Sports Centre.

Contact Graham Farr on 9282 0418 if  
you are interested.

Contact the Office or see website for  
further information.

**Community**

Parents & Toddlers Mondays: 9.30-11 am  
School term times only

Rendezvous (over 50s) at 2.30 pm on 1st  
and 3rd Wednesdays of the month  
Sunday Supper. Free.

Every Sunday at 6.30 pm

To find out about

Cell Church and other things we do,  
visit:

[www.stsimons-southsea.org.uk](http://www.stsimons-southsea.org.uk)

Do you know about Portsmouth Churches  
own Website?

[www.portsmouthchurches.co.uk](http://www.portsmouthchurches.co.uk)

## WORLD BOARD

The two organisations that will feature in July and August from 7th July are "The Rock" CYFA camp and Caring for Life.

**The Rock** is our youth organisation, which we have begun to support this year. It provides summer camps and gives young people a great opportunity to come away from normal life and take time out to think about God's calling on their lives. Activities and chill out times are all part of it and each person is disciplined throughout their week of camp.

Sadly, this year's camp has had to be cancelled and CPAS, the organisers, have also had to cancel four other camps. This is because there are not enough young people signing up for it to make it financially viable; this may also be due to the economic situation. However, our young people from St. Simon's will now be joining with Soul Survivor at their events.

On the Board you will see prayer points, as The Rock are in real need to direction for the future. Please pray! Also on there are photos of last year's The Rock CYFA camp that Jo Borley was helping to lead.

**Caring for Life** is a registered Christian charity. Their motto is "Sharing the Love of Jesus". Established in 1987, CFL provides two supported homes, cares for more than 120 people in the community through the floating support team and provides therapeutic, structured daytime activities at Crag House Farm. Each project aims to provide comprehensive, compassionate, sensitive Christian care for damaged and needy people. They believe that **all** men and women are made in the image of God, and that leads them to treat people with dignity and respect. Most of those they support have been afforded little respect in the past. Their principles of care spring from the example of Jesus Christ and the way He reached out to those who needed help.

George Hardisty, whom some will remember, was the first Youth and Community worker here at St. Simon's in 1990 and also started Sunday Suppers (and Hub Club) in September 1994. He is now part of the team of CFL. He will be visiting us on **Sunday morning, 26th July**, telling us more about CFL and updating us on the work there. After the service there will be a lunch, when any who would like to meet George and his wife Liz can do so. Please see Gail for details.

Ruth Warner

Sunday Worship at St. Simon's		Preacher
<b>5th July Trinity 4</b>		
09.30	KISS	Team
11:15	Holy Communion	Paul O'Gorman
<b>12th July Trinity 5</b>		
10.30	Morning Praise	Hugh Mason and St. Jude's
<b>19th July Trinity 6</b>		
10:30	Holy Communion	Matthew Holland
<b>26th July Trinity 7</b>		
10:30	Morning Praise	George Hardisty

### **July Diary**

#### **Wednesday 1st July**

Rendezvous

#### **Thursday 9th July**

Prayer for Mayville School, 4.30 pm in the Church Lounge

#### **Friday 10th-Saturday 12th July**

Church Weekend Away, Chantmarle

#### **Tuesday 14th July**

Prayer Ministry Tea

#### **Wednesday 15th July**

Rendezvous

Travelling Library and Coffee Morning

Grub Club – Chinese meal

#### **Saturday 18th July**

Work Day

#### **Tuesday 21st July 2009**

19:30 in the Church Lounge: Men4God

**The City Churches Prayer Meetings** take place every Wednesday at 6.30 a.m. Meetings in July are at Oasis Church, Arundel Street, Portsmouth.

**Prayer Meeting.** To see if people would like to make a special effort to come to the Sunday evening prayer meeting once a month, it was changed to being only on the first Sunday. However since it appears that is still not convenient for most people, there will be no further Church prayer meetings for the time being.

### **Rendezvous**

Rendezvous is an open meeting and all are welcome. Meetings start at 2.30 p.m. In the Church centre. Talks are followed by light refreshments and the opportunity to socialise.

**1st July, 15th July:** Speakers to be confirmed.

Please contact Millie French on 9285 1490 for further information.

### **Social**

#### **Wednesday 15th July**

Grub Club goes to Hong Kong! Well, to Hong Kong City Chinese Restaurant on Highland Road (right by the crossing from Festing Road) a good deal, two courses for £8.99 and it really does fill you up. If you are interested, please book through me (tel. 9281 4599). I will book tables for 7.30 arrivals, 8 p.m. to eat.

Dinah Walters

### **Prayer Ministry Team Meeting**

The next team meeting will be on 14th July at 7.45pm. This will be held in The Church Lounge. For further information please contact Alison or Malcolm Fox Tel : 07714762012.

### **Work Days**

The next Work Day is on 18th July. Please just come along for as little or as long as you can – there are all sorts of tasks available! Speak to Michael Piper or Pat Jolly for more information. Please note the 4th Work Day at St Simon's has changed from 17th October to 10th October.

### **Council Housing Association Exchange wanted**

We have a very large 3 bedroomed Housing Association Flat in Ryde on the Isle of Wight. Lounge is 26 feet long by 14 feet wide, 2 large bedrooms, 1 medium sized bedroom, large fitted kitchen, bathroom fitted with power shower, whole room pine-panelled with new bath, basin etc, two sheds, intercom system, fenced communal garden with washing lines, 10 minutes from sea-front, near schools ,shops etc. gas central heating . Rent £98 P.W. including service charge. Wanted 3 bedroomed house/flat in Portsmouth/Southsea but all areas considered, if interested please phone Ray and Angela Holton on 07891 393806.

## ***Singing Opportunity***

Following on from the Singing Workshop at St. Simon's April, there is a new afternoon singing group, Afternoon Chorus, starting at St Simon's Church Centre, Tuesday 15th September 1.30-3pm. There is a sheet giving details of further musical opportunities, on the Noticeboard in the Church Centre.

## ***Deadline for the August Newsletter***

9 p.m., Tuesday 21st July to Dinah Walters on [dinahwalters@gmail.com](mailto:dinahwalters@gmail.com) or telephone 9281 4599.

## **Sunday Suppers**

Every Sunday night  
Soup, sandwiches,  
cake and fruit.

Prayer and friendship  
6 p.m. to 7.15 p.m.

Food served from 6.30.

### **Prayer**

There will be prayer for Sunday Suppers  
from 6.15 to 6.30 p.m. each Sunday  
in the Church Lounge.

All very welcome.

