

**PARISH QUIZ**

on Saturday 25 March at 7.30pm in the hall. In aid of the Big Build Campaign. More details to follow.

**ST FAITH'S CHARITY SHOP**

The Charity Shop generated just over £18,400 for parish funds last year. Congratulations to the whole team of volunteers! Please keep the donations coming...clothing, toys, books, puzzles, crockery, jewellery, linen, small furniture items...it can all be turned into useful cash for our Parish! The shop are also in need of coat hangers, if anyone has any spare, could they drop them into the shop. Thank you.

**LENT PROGRAMME**

Will be out next Sunday (19th February ) This will have details of all the Lent Groups and services for Holy Week and Easter.

**BISHOPS LENT APPEAL 2017  
'FROM SLAVERY TO FREEDOM'**

This year's appeal will be focusing on the mistreatment of women, with a particular emphasis on domestic abuse and human trafficking. More information about the appeal is on the Diocesan Website and will be in the Lent Leaflet which will be out in the next couple of weeks.

**CONTACT INFORMATION...**

...can be found on the Monthly Information Sheet.

*The last word...from Canon Tom*

"Another Evening with Tom Kennar" was held last night (and thank you to all who came on such a cold night!). It's frankly a complete *ego-trip* for a natural performer, like me, to have a church full of people clapping at one's efforts.

And of course, our ego is essential to who we are. Our ego is, in one definition, 'an identity of our own construction - an identity which is ultimately false'. The ego contains all we *think* we know or believe about ourselves - our personality, our talents, our beliefs and our abilities.

The challenge of the Christian Gospel is, however, to see ourselves as *God sees us*. God regards each one of us as precious, sufficiently precious to have sent his Son to live among us, teach us, and die for us. Whatever we *think* about ourselves, God regards us with absolute Love, as a parent does towards their child.

Our ego, our sense of self, is ultimately fragile - and changeable depending on what life throws at us. It is always changing, and restless. But perhaps we might remember the words of St Augustine of Hippo - "our hearts are restless, until they find their rest in Thee".



**Weekly News and Service Sheet  
For Sunday 12 February  
Fourth Sunday before Lent**

**Come and bag a bargain!**  
**Visit our Pop-Up shop**  
We will be at  
26 North Street, Emsworth from  
Monday 6th - Saturday 18th February 2017  
opening times:  
Monday - Saturday - 9:30 - 4:30  
Sunday - 10:00 - 4:00

**TUESDAY 4 APRIL,  
2.30 – 4.30pm in the  
HAVANT URC MEETING PLACE**

William Bell, Christian Aid Advocacy Officer for the Middle East, will talk on "Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories: the Christian Aid programme and Palestinian refugees".  
Rachel Nassif will talk about her experience as a volunteer in the Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel. Plus "Through Young Eyes", an exhibition of drawings by Palestinian teenagers who survived the 2014 Israel-Gaza conflict.

**THE WORK CONTINUES**

*Most of our floors have now been cleaned and polished. We hope you like the effect! This week, work continues to re-build our refurbished organ. If stewards are available, the church will be open this week.*

Churches Together in Havant & Area invite you to their

**The Plight of Persecuted Christians**

A talk on the work of the Bible Society who help and support persecuted Christians throughout the world.

To be followed by a Bring & Share Lunch

Guest speaker:  
Mrs Sandra Webster

**Saturday  
18 March 2017  
10.00 am - 12 noon followed by lunch**  
St Faith's Church, Havant,  
Hants PO9 1EH

## Forthcoming SERVICES

**SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2017**

**3 BEFORE LENT**

**8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION (Said)**

President and Preacher:.....*Rev Richard Acworth*

**9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION**

President .....*Canon Tom*

Preacher .....*Canon Tom*

Readings: Deuteronomy 30.15-20 or Ecclesiasticus 15.15-20

Corinthians 3.1-9, Matthew 5.21-37

Hymns: 36, 77, 171, 429, 99

**6.00 pm EVENSONG**

President .....*Vickie Morgan*

Preacher.....*Vickie Morgan*

**THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY AT ST FAITH**

**10.30am Traditional Holy Communion**

President .....*Canon Tom*

and Preacher.....*Vickie Morgan*

**SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2017**

**2 BEFORE LENT**

**8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION (Said)**

President.....*Canon Tom*

Preacher:.....*Sandra Haggan*

**9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION**

President .....*Canon Tom*

Preacher .....*Sandra Haggan*

Readings: Genesis 1.1 - 2.3, Romans 8.18-25

Matthew 6.25-34

Hymns: 319, 114, 484, 437, 531

**6.00 pm TAIZE EVEING PRAYER**

President .....*Dr Mike fluck*

**THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY AT ST FAITH**

**10.30am Traditional Holy Communion**

President and Preacher.....*Canon Tom*



**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**The World**

Including St John the Divine, Nsawam Ghana

Rod & Glenda Thomas & Sendai Church Japan.

**The Diocese**

& Bishop Christopher

**Our Parish & Deanery**

**Those in Urgent**

**Need:**

(No specific requests at present)

**The Departed:**

John Walters  
Shirley Appleby  
Ernie Moss  
John Beebe

**Anniversaries of**

**Departing:**

15th Molly Whitenstall

Community Praise & Worship

WITH

VINESONG



6-8pm on Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017  
@ St Faiths Church Hall, The Pallant Havant, PO9 1BE

[www.rccgpagocentre.org.uk](http://www.rccgpagocentre.org.uk) Charity Reg. No: 1167951



FREE EVENT



**Monday—Saturday  
8.45am-4.30pm**



Did you know...? You can now give to the Big Build Campaign via Text Message. Just send the message 'BIGB01 £10' (or however much you want to donate) to 70070. It's so easy!

## FUTURE DIARY DATES

- Sat 11 March - 6pm** **'Vinesong' Praise and Worship in the Hall (with the Redeemed Church)**
- Sat 25 March 7.30pm** **Parish Quiz Night—in the Hall**
- Tues 04 April 2.30pm** **Israel and occupied territory talk by Christian Aid at the URC.**
- 7pm** **Solent Male Voice Choir & Bosmere School Choir in the HALL**
- Sat 20 May** **Variety Show**
- 9-11 June:** **Flower Festival (Emsworth Methodist Church) (for Havant Passion Play)**
- Sat 10 June:** **Soiree Evening**
- Sat 17 June:** **Garden Party at Rosemary Thomas's**
- Sat 9 September:** **Ride and Stride with Summer Fair**
- Sat 14 October:** **Food, Folk and Foaming Ale**