

NEW PARISH ADMINISTRATOR!

We are delighted to announce that our new parish administrator is to be Pauline West. Pauline brings a wealth of admin experience, having been a senior admin officer in a local school for many years. Pauline will start work fully on the week of 12 March, but will be getting to know the role (with Clare) on a part-time basis over the coming weeks. With her husband Kevin—our Capital Programmes Manager— it's fantastic to have yet another husband and wife team working with us! Please pray for Pauline and for Clare as they both make these transitions into their new ministries!



Canon Tom

st. **faiths** **Afternoon Tea**  In aid of...
havant **THE BIG BUILD CAMPAIGN**



**Sunday 18 February 3pm in
St Faith's Church**

Come and enjoy afternoon tea with live piano music in the setting of a beautiful medieval church.

Tickets £10 each

limited spaces available so book early!

Tickets: available from the Parish Office
(office@stfaith.com / 023 9249 2129) or on Sundays at church

Please note: there will be no tickets available on the door
- only advance bookings.

If you would like to treat someone to afternoon tea. Gift vouchers will be available. Please see Clare in the office, or the shop.

PCC MEETS THIS WEEK

Please pray for your Parochial Church Council (PCC) as they meet this week.

Items include fundraising, approving improvement plans for the Pallant Centre, planning for Tom's Study Leave, discussion of design brief for new church pews/chairs, responding to Diocesan opinions regarding the North Transept project—and much more!

Dolce String Quartet and Friends



present
Mendelssohn's 
Octet in E flat Op.20

St Faith's Church, Havant
On Saturday 3 March 2018 at 3pm.

**Refreshments will be offered
at the end of the recital**

 **faiths** **THE BIG BUILD CAMPAIGN** *A retiring collection will be held for the 'Big Build Campaign'*

Forthcoming SERVICES

SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8.00 am SAID COMMUNION

President *Father Richard*
Preacher..... *Rev'd Vickie Morgan*

9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION SERVICE

President *Canon Tom*
Preacher *Rev'd Vickie Morgan*
Readings: 2 Kings 2.1-12, Corinthians 4.3-6 Mark 9.2-9

6.00 pm EVENSONG

Led by *Rev'd David Morgan*

WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

7.30pm ASH WEDNESDAY COMMUNION

President *Bishop Felix (Ghana)*
Preacher..... *Rev'd David Morgan*

THURSDAY 15 February

10.30am TRADITIONAL (BCP) COMMUNION with 'Ashing'

President and Preacher..... *Canon Tom*
Preacher..... *Rev'd David Morgan*

SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00 am SAID COMMUNION

President *Canon Tom*
Preacher..... *Rev'd David Morgan*

9.30 am PARISH COMMUNION SERVICE

President *Canon Tom*
Preacher *Rev'd David Morgan*
Readings: Genesis 9.8-17, Peter 3.18-22, Mark 1.9-15

6.00 pm TAIZE EVENING PRAYER

Led by *Rev'd Vickie Morgan*

THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY

10.30am TRADITIONAL (BCP) COMMUNION

President *Canon Tom*
Preacher..... *Rev'd David Morgan*

CONTACT INFORMATION...

...can be found on the Monthly Information Sheet. Please take a copy of the current edition. available in church.



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

See Cluster Prayer diary opposite

Those in Urgent

Need

Geoff Jones
Ali Wilson
Gill Falconer

The Departed:

David Partridge (Priest)
Louise Harding
John Brady (Funeral on Monday 19 February 12.30pm in church)
Brian Hammond (Priest)

Anniversaries of Departed:

LENT COURSES 2018 - CHURCHES TOGETHER—SIGN UP SHEET AVAILABLE

St. Faith's:

Tuesday evenings 7.30-9pm in the Pallant House Play Café starting on the 20th February. Studying "LiveLent: Let Your Light Shine" led by Rev'ds David and Vicky Morgan.

Friday mornings at St. Faith's Church 10.30 am to 12 noon starting on 16th February. Studying the York Course ("On the Third Day") led by Reader Mike Fluck

St. Alban's West Leigh - York Course ("On the Third Day")

Tuesdays at 11 am in the Vicarage starting on the 20th February

Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm after 7 pm Eucharist

Havant Methodist Church Peterfield Road.

Wednesday 2pm for 2.30 starting on 28 February. Studying the York Course ("On the Third Day") led by Geoff Paffett. (Methodist Bedhampton also studying the York course but now full.)

URC Havant

7.45 for 8pm till 9pm studying "40 Days of Hope" life in prison. (Further details of day/dates awaited)

CLUSTER PRAYER DIARY

- 11th Havant Schools – Warblington School, Bosmere Junior School and Fairfield Infants School
- 12th Leigh Park Churchwardens – Norma Hunt, Pat Killoran
- 13th West Leigh - Church of St Alban
- 14th Leigh Park, St Francis and Warren Park, St Clare Reader - Annie Martin
- 15th Warren Park – PO9 Pioneer Ministers Barney Barron, Sara Barron
- 16th Bedhampton Churchwardens - Sandra Matthews, Assistant Churchwarden Ann Partridge

ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll is a list of the names and addresses of every person who can vote in the annual church meeting. St Faith's list will be revised very shortly in preparation for our PCAGM in April. Are you on the Roll? Are you a new regular member of our congregation? If so would you like to be included? If you have any questions about this please see Hilary Deadman. (contact number on the Monthly Information sheet).

EVENTS DIARY.. New or changed events in bold

Date	Time	Event	Venue
TODAY: Sunday 11 February	7.30pm	'Dance at the Pallant' (See page 7)	Pallant
Tuesday 13 February	12.30pm	FINAL Lunchtime Organ Recital with Mark Dancer	Church
Next Sun (18 February)	3pm	Afternoon Tea with live music. See front page for details.	Church
Sat 3 March	3pm	Dolce String Quartet Mendelssohn Octet in E flat Op.20	Church
Sat 10 March	10am	Lent Conference—speaker Canon Andrew White (Vicar of Baghdad).	St Joseph's West St.
Thu 19 April	TBC	Flower Arrangement Demonstration (by the former Florist of Leeds Castle)	Church
Saturday 30 June	4pm	Ordinations of David & Vickie to the priesthood.	Cathedral
19-22 July	Weekend	Flower Festival, including a new One Man Show from Canon Tom!	Church
3-November	Afternoon /Evening	WW1 Centenary Weekend	Pallant
4 November	Morning	9.30 Parish Communion Service in the Hall	Pallant
Sat 10 November	7pm	70's and 80's night with Dragonfly	Pallant
Sat 24 November	7pm	Bell Ringers Dinner	Pallant

A SINGLE EVENT CAN AWAKEN WITHIN
US A STRANGER TOTALLY UNKNOWN TO
US. TO LIVE IS TO BE SLOWLY BORN.

ANTOINE DE SAINT-EXUPÉRY



'Pre-Lent' Series of Tuesday Lunchtime Half-Hour Recitals 2018

12.30 pm. – 1.00 pm.

Tuesday 9 th January	Lyndon Ford	Fareham
Tuesday 16 th January	Peter Gould	Ex - Derby Cathedral
Tuesday 23 rd January	Geoffrey Porter	St. Faith's, Havant
Tuesday 30 th January	Mark Burgess	Portsmouth
Tuesday 6 th February	Rev. David Morgan	St. Faith's, Havant
Tuesday 13 th February	Mark Dancer	St. Peter's, Petersfield

Sandwiches welcome!

Come when you can; go when you must.

Retiring Collection for St. Faith's Big Build Campaign.

Lunchtime Recitals Tuesdays 12.30pm

THIS Tuesday (11 February)

Mark Dancer

HAVANT COMMUNITY HOMELESS TRUST

The third AGM of the Havant Community Homeless Trust on **Tuesday 20th February 2018 at the URC Meeting place at 7.30pm.** The meeting will include a presentation from Canon Bob White (Area Dean of Portsmouth and Vicar of St. Mary's Church, Fratton) who will address the meeting on the challenges of homelessness currently being faced in Portsmouth. He will tell us about the current issues and the potential solutions that the local churches and charities are trying together. We will then discuss how we in Havant might begin to tackle the same issues (on our more local scale). Also a talk from Rachel Mason who is from Two Saints in Portsmouth and is the manager of St. Alban's hostel in West Leigh. Membership of the Trust is free and open to anyone who supports its aims. Jackie Martin and Paul Utting are involved, along with Canon Tom.

FLOWER FESTIVAL 2018

The Flower Festival will now take place on 19-22 July 2018.

The date of the festival has changed due to David and Vickie's ordination on Saturday 30 June.

The them of this Year's Festival is 'Songbook'

If you would like to grow some flowers that can be used for displays at the Festival. Please see Clare or Sandra for some ideas.

The Bible Study Group

will meet on Ash Wednesday February 14th at 2pm, at 7 Elm Road, Havant PO9 2SZ when we shall continue St Matthew's Gospel.

This is a change of address from that in the February What's On newsletter.

More details from Alan Hakim (023-92 471681).



PALLANT NEWS

FITNESS CLASSES

Monday :

7.00-7.45am Circuits

The perfect full body workout to kickstart your week!

Wednesday:

8.30-9.00am Low Impact

Low Impact, no jumping and no floor work, ideal for all ages.

9.15-10.00am Legs, Bums and Tums

Works our legs, bums and tums!

4.00-4.45pm Family Fitness (children aged 8+)

Get fit with your family, fitness made fun!

5.00-5.30pm HIIT and Core

High intensity interval training, great for fat burning!

£3 per session

Call Hannah:
07708867364
to register your interest!

GET ACTIVE TODAY

The Pallant Centre Havant PO9 1BE



Shall We Dance Events
by Susie Q

Social Dance Events with a Twist!

Dancing at the Pallant Centre

Starting 11th February 2018

Absolute Beginners Social Ballroom Lessons

£5 pay as you go

Sunday 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Contact Susie Johnson for more details
Email: susieq@shallwedanceevents.co.uk
Tel: 07775762464
Website: www.shallwedanceevents.co.uk



Open

Monday-Friday

9.30am-4pm

Saturday

9.30am-2pm

Contact Will Coulston (Pallant Centre Manager) for all Centre events:

E: thecentremanager@gmail.com
T: 07483 848809

CHARITY SHOP

Do you have a few hours a few hours a week to spare?

We need more volunteers to join our team in the charity shop.

We can offer our volunteers:

- . Transferrable skills
- . Supportive and Friendly team
- . New Friends
- . Valuable Work experience
- . Lots of Fun

To find out more: pop in to the shop and speak to Clare our Community Fundraising Manager or call 02392 478098



ST FAITH'S CHARITY SHOP

will be open this week

Monday 12 February 10.30am-4pm

Tuesday – Friday 9am-4pm

Saturday morning 9am-1pm.

(Please note that shop will be closed from 9.30am-10.30am on Monday 12 February for staff training)

7 Feb 2018:

Well done to these lovely ladies for a great 'Fit 'n' Forty-Plus Class

Join them next Monday, 10am to 10.45 @ The Pallant Centre! £4.50—and all fitness levels are welcome!



CONTROL FREAK? ME?

As I write this, early on Thursday morning, I'm preparing to go before the "Diocesan Advisory Committee" to discuss the plans we have put to them for our church and churchyard. These include plans for the North Transept (ramps, automatic door and refreshment servery), the replastering and painting of the church, as well as plans to open up our churchyard for the whole community to use. The phrase 'Diocesan Advisory Committee' doesn't sound especially threatening—until one realises that, essentially, this group of architects and heritage experts has the power to stop all our carefully developed plans in their tracks! It's a little bit scary to put the future into someone else's hands.

I admit that I sometimes have a tendency towards being a control freak. (This admission will be an *immense surprise* to my family, Parish colleagues and the PCC, I'm sure!). I do sometimes find it hard to let go of things—fearing, very arrogantly, that unless I am closely involved something is *bound* to go wrong, and I'll still get the blame! As I prepare for my Extended Study Leave (mid-March to mid-June) I'm having to prepare long lists of delegated responsibilities—I'm currently working on page five, which is slightly scary! I need to let go...

Faith is rather like that. Faith is (at least partly) the act of surrendering our future to a higher, deeper, power—to the God who knows us better than we know ourselves, and who has our eternal best interests at heart. We don't always know why we must face the challenges that we do (including the pain that many of us suffer). But in the same way that Jesus faced the suffering and challenges of the Cross for God's greater purpose, faith requires the same of us. God has infinite power to bring joy out of grief, and life even out of death.

"I surrender all" was a great hymn of the last century, and we could all do with singing it from time to time. Whilst each of us has a natural tendency to imagine that the world revolves around us, the opposite is really true.

I'll let you all know on Sunday how things went with the Diocesan Advisory Committee! In the meantime, please pray for me (as I do for all of you) that I will learn to surrender more. Have a great week, everyone!

Canon Tom