

Welcome to St Giles' and St George's Church

We hope you enjoy the service. We offer many different services and if you would like to know more, please just ask. Additionally if you would like any information or would just like to talk or pray with someone, please speak to the Service Leader or somebody wearing a name badge.

Job Opportunity

We are looking to recruit a Families Outreach Worker for 15 hours per week to support the Leaders of Pastoral and Children & Families Ministries. The closing date is Monday 11 Nov, interviews will be held on Wed 20 Nov. Please go to our website for further details, sgsgashtead.com.

ministrypa@ashteadparish.org

Light party

Thursday 31 Oct
4.30 - 6pm, Dell Centre

An event for families to enjoy games, craft, food and an 'alternative' Halloween message. Children must be accompanied by an adult. If you can help with groups, setting up craft, preparing food or other activities, please contact Jaynie or Linda.

Jaynie Kendall

jaynie.kendall@ashteadparish.org

Family Fuel Lunch Club

October half term

Over the summer we trialled offering lunches to low income families in Ashtead. We are progressing this and aim to run two lunches in October half term, on 31 Oct and 1 Nov. If you would like to know more, offer food or help, please contact Sharon or Leah.

Sharon Seal,

sharon.seal@ashteadparish.org

Leah Perona-Wright

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Annual Bereavement Service Sunday 3 Nov, 3pm, St Giles'

A time when we can remember those we have lost recently as well as in times past.

Sharon Seal

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Remembrance Sunday 10 Nov



Please join us at 10.50am at the War Memorial outside St George's Church for our Act of Remembrance, the 11am service will start at 11.15am. Choral Communion at 6pm St Giles' Church will be a Service of Remembrance, including the Faure Requiem.

Rev. Richard Jones

richard.jones@ashteadparish.org

Toy Sunday 24 November

As part of our support for the work of the Alternatives Trust East London (one of our mission partners), please bring unwrapped new toys (non-battery operated) for babies and children to any service, or consider making a financial donation. We welcome Julia Acott and Simone Thomas at some services on Sunday 17 November.

Youth Prayer Letter

The youth team are preparing a termly email newsletter; an update on the youth ministry along with plenty of prayer points. If you'd like to subscribe please visit sgsgashtead.com/youth.

Sean Skinner

sean.skinner@ashteadparish.org

Please Pray For.....

To pray with others, please come to First Thursday Prayers, 7 November, 8pm, SGCC.

Church

The annual bereavement service on 3 November, for all who attend that this may be a time of comfort and hope, also for our bereavement team who support those who are mourning loved ones.

Those from our parish and other parishes in our Deanery who are being baptised and/or confirmed by Bishop Jo at St George's on 3 November.

The services to mark Remembrance Sunday at the War Memorial and St Giles' on 10 November.

All who work to maintain our buildings and churchyard, that they may offer a safe and welcoming space for everyone who comes into them. Also for the recruitment process for a parish Operations Leader.

Our culture as a church, as we finish the teaching series on 'Shaping Church Culture', that we may grow in our vision to 'Know Christ and make Him Known'.

Community

All in our community who are struggling to make ends meet and for those who seek to offer support. Please pray for the lunches being offered to some families during half term and also our partnership with Alternatives Trust in East London who work to support families in need.

All who work in social services and other agencies who offer care to and make decisions about families, the elderly and those with particular needs, especially following recent cutbacks to some services.

The ongoing work of Ashted Churches Together and the Epsom Refugee Network as they support refugees locally, and the 'Taste of Syria' evening.

World

For the care of our world, that governments and individuals can make decisions and take action to address climate change.

Our government and politicians at this time of uncertainty as decisions regarding Brexit are made, for a spirit of compromise and unity.

The situation in Syria especially near the border with Turkey, for all who are displaced and traumatised by this war, and for efforts to negotiate a ceasefire.



Spiritual Growth

The Promises of God.....Blessing

Wednesday 28 November, 8pm-10pm, Dell Centre

Led by Kate Patterson. Please book a place by contacting Sharon Seal.

Blessings

Creative prayer journalling

Thursday 21 November, 7.30-9pm, Dell Centre

An opportunity to explore your life and faith, through a choice of activities including writing, painting, poetry, colouring, and more. Creative materials will be provided and a suggested activity introduced at the start of each session. There is quiet space to notice the patterns in your life and reflect on how God is at work, using whichever resources are most helpful to you. All are welcome.



Sharon Seal, 813200
sharon.seal@ashteadparish.org

Baptism and Confirmation **Sunday 3 Nov, 6pm, SGCC**

We look forward to our annual service of baptism and confirmation with Bishop Jo. Please hold in your prayers the candidates from our parish, listed below, and those joining us from other parishes.

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| Samuel Beetham | Hannah Calverly |
| Sophia Carosio | Janice Chan |
| Suzanne de Lima-Roberts | Claire Dickenson |
| Clara Harris | Julie Hawkins |
| Sophie Kraushaar | Brenda Lewis |
| Ruby Lovegrove | Carrie Ritchie |
| Emma Ritchie | Paul Rowles |
| Suzie Rowles | |

Electoral Roll

If you missed signing up to the new Electoral Roll earlier in the year, it's not too late, you can sign up at any time if you have been worshipping at the church for 6 months or longer and are aged 16 or over. Being on the electoral roll is a sign of commitment to the church and means you can stand for, nominate to and vote for elected positions within the church. Please complete and return a simple form, which is available at both churches. If you have any queries please speak to a member of the clergy or contact the parish office.

Parish Office, parish.office@ashteadparish.org

Parish Notices



**Friday 8 and 22 Nov
9.15 - 10.30am, SGCC**

Mamma Mia! ... deconstructed!!

A chance to look at the film we all love from a new perspective, exploring themes, characters, fashion and more ...

November 8 - Modern Families

November 22 - True Love

All ladies aged 20-50 welcome, no charge, no booking required. Free care for the under 5s and home schooled children, coffee and cake provided, fun guaranteed!

Maxine Simpson, 272177

maxinesimpson2003@yahoo.co.uk

Communion Assistants Training

**Saturday 9 November
10am - 12.30pm, SGCC**

If you are serving us all by giving the wine at any of our communion services and have not yet taken part in the training, now is your chance. As a parish it is our policy that everyone on chalice duty should have completed this course. Please book a place.

Jane Hiley, 273095

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Flix for adults with a Disability

Saturday 9 Nov, 2pm, SGCC

Our film for November is **The Little Mermaid**, please note 2pm start.

Dee Peck, 07759 707872

deempeck@gmail.com

Evergreen

**Wednesday 13 Nov
2.30 - 4.15pm, SGCC**

An enjoyable afternoon of companionship and music with the Ewell Ladies Choir, followed by tea, raffle and thought for the day. Lifts from Gill Laver, 275260.

Jacqui Kershaw, 813200

jacqueline.kershaw@ashteadparish.org

Link Group

Thursday 14 Nov, 7.30pm, SGCC

This month we welcome back Stephen Chater, Blue Badge Guide and well known lecturer, whose subject is 'The London Charterhouse'. Refreshments will follow the talk and we are delighted to see visitors. There will also be a produce sale in aid of 'Tools for Self Reliance'. Do come along.

Gail Arch, 274508

Worship Together

Friday 15 Nov, 8 - 9.30pm, SGCC

An informal evening of worship, prayer and praise led by Bryn Haworth, Mirkku Ridanpaa & Nico Ohlsson. Everyone welcome!

Mirkku Ridanpaa

mirkku.ridanpaa@ashteadparish.org

Ashtead Churches' Men's Breakfast

Saturday 16 Nov, 8 - 9.30am

St Michael's Church Hall

Please join us to welcome Rev. David Pattinson, Deacon at St. Michael's. The title of David's talk is 'My Road to the Altar'. Cereals & bacon butties breakfast for £3. All men are very welcome; do come and join us, no need to let us know in advance.

ashteadmensbreakfast@gmail.com



**Saturday 16 Nov
9am, SGCC**

Following breakfast at 9am, Lucinda Smith will speak on 'Confident and Unashamed', www.lucindasmith.online. Lucinda has many years of experience as a missionary in Pakistan and mentoring young women. She will be talking on the subject of how we can live confidently and unashamedly as Christian women. All women welcome. Tickets are £5 from the parish office or sgsgashtead.com/tickets.

claire436whittaker@btinternet.com

Parish Notices

Parish Pilgrimage to Holy Land Wednesday 20 Nov, 7.30pm, SGCC

A meeting to find out about our pilgrimage in May 2021. Bookings are now being taken on a first come, first served basis.

Malcolm Raby

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Flames Family Flix

Saturday 23 Nov, 3.30pm, SGCC

Family film, popcorn, sweets, refreshments and DVD giveaway, all free! This month our film is Toy Story 4. For primary aged children accompanied by an adult.

Jaynie Kendall, 813965

jaynie.kendall@ashteadparish.org

Mothers' Union

Thursday 28 Nov

10am - 12 noon, SGCC

John and Gwynneth Cooper will tell us about 'Life on the world's most remote inhabited Island'. All men and women are very welcome to join us for this interesting talk.

Barbara Laird, 273368

Evergreen Plus - Craft

Thursday 28 Nov

10.30 - 12 noon, SGCC

We look forward to welcoming you for an enjoyable morning making Christmas cards. Lifts available. For transport call Barbara Kelley 276844.

Jacqui Kershaw, 813200

jacqueline.kershaw@ashteadparish.org

Autumn Jazz

Thurs 28 Nov, 12.15 - 1.30pm, SGCC

The café is here to build you up with a scrumptious meal and perhaps a treat. Let Dolores entertain you with some smooth, traditional Jazz beats.

Rosie Bennett

rclbennett@hotmail.com



Thursday 28 Nov

4.15 - 6pm, Dell Centre

Messy Church is a time for people of all ages to enjoy being together, making things, sharing a meal and learning more about God. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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jaynie.kendall@ashteadparish.org

**Mon 9 Dec, 7.45pm,
Dell Centre**



Are your kids battling with screen time? Does keeping up with current apps or trends feel like a part-time job? We have teamed up with Digital Awareness UK to help Dads feel empowered when it comes to supporting their children in the digital age.

info@shedtime.men

Christmas Jazz Café

Saturday 14 Dec, 7.30pm, SGCC

Tickets £15, £10 under 18, profits to Wheels for the World. BYO drinks, glasses and nibbles. First 100 tickets can book tables.

Jenny Wallace, 275639

New Year's Eve

Plans are underway to welcome in 2020 at our Church Family Celebration party on New Year's Eve, 7.30pm - 12.15am. The format is similar to the 2017 event, there will be a ceilidh/barn dance with band and caller. We have lined up some great interval entertainment and there will be an all age quiz. A light ploughman's supper will be provided, BYO drinks, glasses and snacks. Tickets will be on sale from early December. We hope you will be able to join us for a fantastic evening for all the family.

touchoftartanparty@gmail.com



Mission Focus - Church Mission Society

Jess and Mark Simpson in Brazil



Our call To serve the church in its job of evangelising by working in unity, loving the least, raising up leaders and stewarding creation.

Our roles Mark is chaplain of Christ Church, Rio de Janeiro. Jess is involved in social outreach, children's work and the environmental activities of the church community.

Chega Junto Food market



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CHEGA JUNTO

Peter Speller

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Mission Focus - Church Mission Society

We've been increasing our involvement with refugee food producers, who hold a food market at the church once a month, Chega Junto, because the lady who shaped the organisation has stepped back for a season and they are in the process of restructuring. Carlos, the new church administrator, is so gifted and has a real heart for refugees so he has slotted right in to supporting them and helping many of them get registered as local businesses. This came about because our Church accountant insisted that if they were going to cook for Alpha, they needed to provide proper tax receipts. So rather than sending them away sad, Carlos tackled the bureaucracy with them!

Having thought we'd be without interns for this term, God provided two (to be part-time) in quick succession: Vickie from Aylesbury, with Nigerian and Grenadian parents, who's part-time at the law and business school here, Fundação Getulio Vargas, and comes alive with the kids; and Roland who's from Sierra Leone, and has refugee status here in Brazil. Roland had been sleeping rough in Rio, but was brought along by another foreigner who had also found himself on the streets. Both have now found a place in our Church family, and are serving on Alpha.

Brazil has been in the international media so much over the last few weeks because of the fires in the Amazon. It's staggering how something so dreadful has become so politicised, and following Trump's pattern, a lot of 'fake news' accusations leave people unsure of where to turn and read truthful information. But there are countless people in different capacities - diplomacy, journalism, trade, civil society and churches - trying to ensure that the government does not permit further irreversible damage to those precious territories. We pray on!

It's been a long, soggy winter here and even though Spring time is now officially upon us, the rain continues to fall. You might be surprised to know that it has quite a dampening effect on us... dirty clothes don't dry, and dry clothes in the wardrobe go mouldy. We're longing for the summer sun to return, though we may not say the same in a couple of months time!

We'd be so grateful for your prayers

- ◇ for the work in Magé to grow and extend its reach and effectiveness. Alexandre is committed to giving his weekends to Magé up until Christmas, and we are discerning whether it would be wise to employ a caretaker to oversee the land during the week.
- ◇ for good health for Jess' family
- ◇ for greater witness amongst the churches to God's care for creation

Parish Diary

Morning Prayer, weekdays, 9-9.20am, St George's Church

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| Sunday 3 Nov | Annual Bereavement Service | 3pm - 4pm | St Giles' Church |
| | Service of Baptism & Confirmation | 6pm - 8pm | SGCC |
| Monday 4 Nov | Little Flames | 10am - 11.30am | Dell Centre |
| | Life Explored | 7.30pm - 9.30pm | Dell Centre |
| Wednesday 6 Nov | The Ark | 10am - 11.30am | SGCC |
| Thursday 7 Nov | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 10am - 12pm | Dell Centre |
| | First Thursday Prayers | 8pm - 9.15pm | SGCC |
| | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 8pm - 10pm | Dell Centre |
| Friday 8 Nov | Oasis | 9.15am - 10.30am | SGCC |
| Saturday 9 Nov | Communion Assistants Training | 10am - 12.30pm | SGCC |
| | Flix for adults with a Disability | 2pm - 3.30pm | SGCC |
| | A taste of Syria | 7pm - 10.30pm | Dell Centre |
| Sunday 10 Nov | Act of Remembrance | 10.50am - 11.10am | SGCC |
| Monday 11 Nov | Little Flames | 10am - 11.30am | Dell Centre |
| | Horizon | 2pm - 4pm | SGCC |
| | Life Explored | 7.30pm - 9.30pm | Dell Centre |
| Wednesday 13 Nov | The Ark | 10am - 11.30am | SGCC |
| | Evergreen | 2.30pm - 4.15pm | SGCC |
| Thursday 14 Nov | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 10am - 12pm | Dell Centre |
| | Church Community Prayer | 8pm - 10pm | SGCC |
| | Link group | 7.30pm - 8.30pm | SGCC |
| | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 8pm - 10pm | Dell Centre |
| Friday 15 Nov | Worship Together | 8pm - 9.30pm | SGCC |
| Saturday 16 Nov | Tonic Ladies Breakfast | 9am - 11.30am | SGCC |
| | Ashtead Churches' Men's Breakfast | 8am - 9.30am | St Michael's |

Parish Diary

Morning Prayer, weekdays, 9-9.20am, St George's Church

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| Monday 18 Nov | Little Flames | 10am - 11.30am | Dell Centre |
| | Life Explored | 7.30pm - 9.30pm | Dell Centre |
| | Contemplative Prayer | 8pm - 9pm | St Giles' Church |
| Wednesday 20 Nov | The Ark | 10am - 11.30am | SGCC |
| | Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land | 7.30pm - 8.30pm | SGCC |
| | The Promises of God....Blessing | 8pm - 10pm | Dell Centre |
| Thursday 21 Nov | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 10am - 12pm | Dell Centre |
| | Church Community Prayer | 8pm - 10pm | SGCC |
| | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 8pm - 10pm | Dell Centre |
| Friday 22 Nov | Oasis | 9.15am - 10.30am | SGCC |
| Saturday 23 Nov | Flames Flix | 3.30pm - 5pm | SGCC |
| Sunday 24 Nov | Toy Sunday, please bring toys to any service | | |
| Monday 25 Nov | Little Flames | 10am - 11.30am | Dell Centre |
| | Life Explored | 7.30pm - 9.30pm | Dell Centre |
| Tuesday 26 Nov | Police Surgery | 10am - 11am | SGCC |
| Wednesday 27 Nov | The Ark | 10am - 11.30am | SGCC |
| | Citizens Advice Bureau | 11am - 12.30pm | SGCC |
| Thursday 28 Nov | Mothers' Union | 10am - 12pm | SGCC |
| | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 10am - 12pm | Dell Centre |
| | Evergreen Plus - Craft | 10.30am - 12 noon | SGCC |
| | Autumn Jazz | 12.15pm - 1.30pm | SGCC |
| | Messy Church | 4.15pm - 6pm | Dell Centre |
| | Church Community Prayer | 8pm - 10pm | SGCC |
| | St Mellitus' FaithTrack | 8pm - 10pm | Dell Centre |

Groups at SGSG Ashtead

Ashtead Churches

Men's Breakfast

A group for men from all the churches in Ashtead. All ages, backgrounds and interests are very welcome including non-church goers, neighbours and friends. Breakfast of cereals and bacon butties is included for £3.

ashteadmensbreakfast@gmail.com

Church Community Prayer

An opportunity to meet for worship, listening prayer and intercessory prayer.

Rosemary Bull, 273647
rosemarybull@talktalk.net

Citizens Advice

Citizens Advice provides a monthly drop-in session for advice at SGCC. Booking is not necessary.

Julie Newham,
blfproject@camv.org.uk

Contemplative Prayer

An opportunity to be still and reflect on our relationship with God. To help us there will be words, music, silence, quotes and prayers. Takes place monthly.

Sharon Seal, 813200
sharon.seal@ashteadparish.org

Evergreen

For friendship and entertainment. Evergreen is a social group for seniors. There is always a warm welcome and a cup of tea. For transport call Gill Laver 275260.

Jacqui Kershaw, 813200
Jacqueline.Kershaw@ashteadparish.org

Evergreen Plus Games Afternoon

Social events with board games, beetle drive and tea and biscuits! For more details and lifts contact:

Jacqui Kershaw, 813200
Jacqueline.Kershaw@ashteadparish.org

Flames Flix

Takes place every month during term time. Family film, popcorn, sweets, drinks and DVD giveaway. For families with young children. All free!

Jaynie Kendall, 813965
jaynie.kendall@ashteadparish.org

Flix for Adults with a Disability

Film viewings for adults with a disability. For more information please contact:

Dee Peck, 805182
deempeck@gmail.com

Horizon

A support group for those who have been bereaved recently.

Sue Balaam, 274153
fiworb1@gmail.com

Horizon Lunch Club

Horizon lunch club is a group for those who have been bereaved more than three years.

Peter and Vivienne Longhurst, 815626

Kindle

A social group for those aged 25-35. If you would like to join us, or would like more information about being part of Kindle, please let us know. You would be very welcome.

Nico Ohlsson, 07387 015646
kindle@ashteadparish.org

Groups at SGSG Ashtead

Link Group

Link group is a friendly, sociable group for ladies over fifty. Activities include monthly meetings with a speaker, outings, fundraising for charity and special seasonal events. Visitors are always very welcome.

Gail Arch, 274508

Shed Time

Shed Time is a regular forum looking at some of the important issues facing men in the modern world. It's an opportunity to be challenged, to be inspired and to network with other like-minded men. For our next event please visit the website.

**Andy Thacker, info@shedtime.men
sgsgashtead.com/shedtime**

Little Flames Toddler Group

Crafts, sensory play, singing, a short Bible story and interactive prayer. All pre-school children and their parent/carers welcome.

Jaynie Kendall, 813965
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The Ark

Join us during term-time for play, followed by singing together. All children up to the age of four and parents/carers welcome.

Jaynie Kendall, 813965
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Mothers' Union

Open to all men and women who care deeply about family life, the wellbeing of children and the enabling of women to improve their own and their family's welfare. We meet on the fourth Thursday of each month. Refreshments available.

Carol Kester, 276711
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Tonic

Tonic is a programme of occasional events for ladies. As well as informative talks, we have organised meals and exciting & challenging activities. For our latest events please look on the church website.

Claire Whittaker
**claire436whittaker@btinternet.com
sgsgashtead.com/tonic**

Oasis

A friendly women's group that meets fortnightly on Fridays during term time. For women in their 20s, 30s and 40s to enjoy coffee and homemade cakes. Each term there is a new 'theme', so check the website and fliers for more information. A free well-equipped crèche for any pre-schoolers is also available.

Maxine Simpson, 272177
**maxinesimpson2003@yahoo.co.uk
sgsgashtead.com/oasis**

Triple SG

A ministry group for 18-25s which includes housegroup-style weekly meetings and fun socials in the holidays — from pub quizzes to scavenger hunts and barbecues.

Bella Kraushaar, 275395
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For further information please visit the website or pick up a leaflet at either church
sgsgashtead.com/groups

Contacts and Information



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Church Matters!

The copy deadline for the **December** issue is 11am on **Thurs 21 November**.

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Media

Friend us on Facebook to keep up with the latest news and events:

www.facebook.com/ashteadparish

Check the website for children's groups, sermons, parish updates and more:

sgsgashtead.com

Christmas cards

Christmas cards will soon be on sale at both churches. 98% have a Christian message and every penny raised will go to parish funds.

Pamela Metcalfe, 274162
pmetcalfe@mail.com

Wintershall Nativity Play

Experience the Christmas story in a new way.

wintershall.org.uk/nativity-play

Soundbytes

Saturday 30 November, 7:30pm
Leatherhead Theatre

A fund raising concert for ALDAG. To book your tickets, please go to theleatherheadtheatre.com.

The Peanut Butter Falcon

Leatherhead Theatre are screening The Peanut Butter Falcon, which celebrates the debut of a fabulous new actor who just happens to have Down syndrome.

