



# All Saints Church Langton Green

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April 2026 Newsletter

The tulips are blooming and all the beautiful colours of spring flowers are on full display; it is a joy to behold. We have even more to celebrate now as Easter is here. While many are enjoying vast amounts of chocolate, we know that the true meaning of Easter is the joy of our Risen Christ. This is indeed, something to celebrate. This year we are linking this joy with our new Bibles being available for everyone in church.

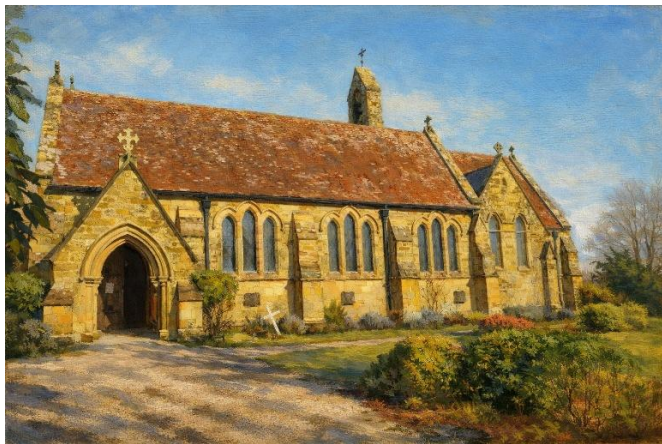


Last month saw Adrian Smith's art exhibition in Gracespace. This was well supported and Adrian has generously given all the proceeds from the sale of his paintings to the church, so a huge thank you to Adrian for his colourful and interesting exhibition and for everyone who came and supported.

Next month we will be holding our APCM. A chance to hear what each of our groups or parts of church life have been up to. We also elect our churchwardens, PCC members and Deanery Synod members. If you would be interested in being part of PCC or Deanery Synod (or being a churchwarden for that matter) please come and talk to myself or Emma and we will happily point you in the right direction for information and sign up. Make sure you are signed up on the electoral roll for church too.

Rev Rob Hindmarch is keen to be able to meet and have a chance to chat to members of the congregation, so we are going to reintroduce coffee and pastries before the 8am service when he is here, First Sunday is 12<sup>th</sup> April.

Wishing you all a Very Happy and Blessed Easter. Sally-Anne



# Worship/Services in church for **APRIL**

	<p><b>8.00 am Contemplative Communion</b> <i>Nearly every Sunday with some Service of the Word services</i></p>
	<p><b>9.00 am Chocolate Church:</b> Sunday 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL AND 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY. Please book your table by emailing or phone Sally-Anne Gathern <a href="mailto:sallyannegathern@gmail.com">sallyannegathern@gmail.com</a> by the Thursday before.</p>
	<p><b>10.30 am Eucharist with congregational singing or a Service of the Word</b></p>
	<p><b>Build A Faith 8.00am in Gracespace</b> <b>SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AND 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL</b> A chance to share a Bible story through Godly Play and lots of brick building, models of our stories</p>
	<p><b>Maundy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 6.30pm</b> <b>Good Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 12 noon Children's Hour,</b> <b>1pm Quiet Reflection, 2pm Good Friday Liturgy</b> <b>Easter Sunday 9am Holy Communion and Egg Hunt</b></p>

## Church Diary - APRIL

Day	Date	What's On
Wednesday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Afternoon Tea in Gracespace at 2.30pm
Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Maundy Thursday Service at 6.30pm
Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	GOOD FRIDAY 3 HOURS PLEASE SEE Easter Notices
Saturday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Men's Walking Group 9.30am Gracespace Church Flowers for Easter & Church cleaning 10am to 2pm
Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday 9am Holy Communion and Easter Egg Hunt
Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>	
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Easter holiday break for Little Saints
Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup>	
Thursday	9 <sup>th</sup>	
Friday	10 <sup>th</sup>	
Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday	12 <sup>th</sup>	8am Holy Communion service in main church 8am Build A Faith      10.30am Service of the Word
Monday	13 <sup>th</sup>	
Tuesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Easter holiday break for Little Saints
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Thrive Coffee Morning in Gracespace
Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup>	
Friday	17 <sup>th</sup>	
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday	19 <sup>th</sup>	8am and 10.30am Holy Communion service in main church Build A Faith 8am
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	
Friday	24 <sup>th</sup>	
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday	26 <sup>th</sup>	8am Holy Communion, and 9am Chocolate Church in Gracespace 10.30am service in main church
Monday	27 <sup>th</sup>	
Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace
Wednesday	29 <sup>th</sup>	
Thursday	30 <sup>th</sup>	

Let Sally-Anne know if you want to add information about church related groups to this calendar page by the 24<sup>th</sup> April ready for the next issue.





## Easter Services Dates for your Diary

**2nd April—Maundy Thursday** service at 6.30pm with Rev Anthony Hammill

**3rd April—Good Friday**

12noon to 1pm Children's Hour— Children's Activities in Gracespace to explore the Easter message with Easter Gardens and craft

1.00pm to 2.00pm Quiet Reflection in church

2.00pm Good Friday Liturgy with Rev Rob Hindmarch and Rev Sheila Perkins

**4th April—Saturday 10am until about 2.00pm** We will be arranging flowers and cleaning church ready for Sunday, everyone is very welcome to come and take part.

**5th April—Easter Sunday 9.00am service**

A wonderful opportunity to share together in the joy of Easter for everyone taken by Rev Rob Hindmarch

Followed by an Easter Egg Hunt in the church grounds for the children.

There is a sunrise service for all four of our churches held at Speldhurst Recreation ground, everyone is welcome



# Deanery Synod

*A Deanery is a group of churches overseen by the rural dean*

*Synod is a council of church leaders and lay representatives*

All Saints is in the Tunbridge Wells Deanery which meets three times a year. Apart from the clergy we have two lay elected representatives.

What happens at these meetings?

Each meeting is usually divided into two parts - the first dealing with any business such as updates, notices and from time to time an election for example to select those to serve on the Diocesan Synod.

After the break, an opportunity to chat to members from other churches, there is a speaker. He/she may be a Diocesan Officer speaking about their role and the issues they deal with on our behalf or a speaker from a relevant outside organisation such as the Bible Society. Bishop Jonathan visits from time to time to tell us about overall matters in the Diocese.

Our two representatives then report back to the PCC.

A Deanery Synod is the first level of governance in the National Church.

The next level is the Diocesan Synod and highest level of all - the General Synod. This democratic system is one way through which parish churches can be aware and keep up to date with what is happening in the wider church.

At the APCM a report on the Deanery Synod meetings is given.

This meeting is an opportunity for those on the electoral roll to raise issues and ask questions making this system of governance truly democratic.

By Ann Greenfield one of our Deanery Synod representatives

## Can you be part of the team?

We have a wonderful church which is full of lovely people, who all have different skills. We would really like to give you the opportunity to feel a sense of belonging by being part of the team who makes things happen.

We are looking for people to read in church as part of our services, or if you would like to help with our prayers. We have a rota for our 10.30am service which we can always add to but our 8am really needs some new faces for the team. If you are interested in helping out please speak to Emma Stevens who can tell you a little more.



Our beautiful church also needs regular cleaning, we have got a few offers from some fab people to help with this but it would be great to have a few more so that one or two people do not have to do all of it. Everything will be provided and they are simple tasks but very important. Do let Sally-Anne Gathern know if you are able to help.





# Men's Walking Group

Our Men's Walking Group usually meets every first Saturday each month. Starting in Gracespace for a bacon butty and a cuppa and then heading out for a walk locally.

If you would like more information please contact  
Mark Gamble on 07957872111 or  
Email [mjg@hunterfd.co.uk](mailto:mjg@hunterfd.co.uk)

Our next walk is on Saturday 4th April  
Meeting at 9.30am





# Afternoon Tea

This is a wonderful social occasion,  
and all are very warmly welcome.

Lesley and Christine  
will be delighted to see you  
and offer delicious cakes and tea.

**Wednesday 1st April &  
Wednesday 6th May  
in Gracespace  
2.30pm to 3.30pm**

No cost involved but donations welcome.





# Build A Faith

Come to Build A Faith and let your imagination  
build on our Bible stories.

A Fun Way in Faith

For any children who would like to have fun and enjoy  
church.

Relaxed space to enjoy building and share a story.

**Sunday 12th April 2026**

**Sunday 19th April 2026**

**8am (while the main service is on)**

**In Gracespace**

Sally-Anne and Tricia would love to see you

Any questions please contact Sally-Anne

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Come and join us for breakfast and Godly Play  
We would love to see you.

**Sunday 26th April 2026**

**Sunday 3rd May 2026**

**9.00AM**

We will be telling our Godly Play Bible Story and I promise a yummy chocolate breakfast with pancakes, pain au chocolate and waffles. Please let me know by the **THURSDAY before** for booking a table place. If you have not been before, this is a lovely way to nurture faith gently as a family, in a fun way. A donation would be gratefully received on the day.

You can book through Sally-Anne Gathern on  
[sallyannegathern@gmail.com](mailto:sallyannegathern@gmail.com) or phone me on  
01892 822261 or 07761 533729





# Prayer Patch Update April 2026

Please keep this prayer list close by so we create a loving, supportive community in Langton.

Prayers to encourage the right way forward for our church and those churches we will be working alongside. Our plans need to evolve and develop so we ask for guidance and perseverance and a strong understanding of the path we should take. To encourage our Church PCC to continue its work to keep our church community stable and positive with our active worship and services, our clubs and meetings bringing people together.

Please continue to pray for our church groups Mother's Union, Little Saints, Afternoon tea, Chocolate Choir, mindfulness groups, knit and natter, crochet group, children's learning activities, and all that is offered in Gracespace, that these may be times of friendship and joy in the community.

We pray for all the children who are getting ready for school exams, GCSE's and A levels, collage exams and Uni students, may they find clear direction and focus and a peaceful work space, in full knowledge that Christ's light guides the way.

**THRIVE** whose events we support, through hosting and promoting their well-being activities; that this developing charity will be granted longevity and grow from strength to strength as it seeks to help all in the village recover a strong sense of wellbeing. We also ask God's blessing for the community garden project.

For increased financial support and stability for our church so that we may in turn nurture and support our wider community.

For those whose family members are struggling with significant mental health issues; please pray for the children, their siblings and parents; for those who play key roles in their lives, like teachers, social workers and their friends.

Please also keep the listed people below in your prayers; you may like to pray for one person each day or a column a week. Many thanks.

WE HAVE REVIEWED OUR PRAYER LIST SO PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE OR TAKE OFF NAMES YOU HAVE ADDED .

**Clara and Hugh  
Fiona**

**Louisa Nelson  
John**

**Robert  
Millicent**

**Sarah  
Chris**





# Thrive Coffee Mornings

in Gracespace at 10.30-12.00

All welcome, especially people struggling with memory problems.

**Dates for your 2026 diary**

**15<sup>th</sup> April**

**20<sup>th</sup> May**

**18<sup>th</sup> June**

**And 16<sup>th</sup> July**

# Little Saints

Tuesday mornings  
9.30am until 11.30am  
In Gracespace



Friendly space for mums and carers  
to get together with activities ready for  
their little ones to enjoy.

Come and enjoy a natter and cake  
We would love to see you  
For more information please call  
Jess Owens on 07796 075486



# Electoral Roll

If you are not already on our Electoral Roll and would like to be, do please fill in a form, they are at the back of church if you need a paper copy or you can complete the one on the website and email it to [triciafearnley@aol.com](mailto:triciafearnley@aol.com)

It is especially important if you are looking at secondary schools based on faith, if you want to plan a wedding or would like to be on the PCC. Even if you have been on our electoral roll in the past we still need you to complete a new form. It also shows our dioceses how our church is growing faith and reaching out into our community so your support is really important.

## Electoral Roll



**Belong**



**Participate**



**Contribute**