



## St. Simon's Church Newsletter

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019

### 2019 Annual Meetings and Church Membership Lists

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The 2019 annual meetings are being planned for **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April**. The meetings will follow a short morning service. Please put this date in your diary.

Associated with the annual meetings, this year we will be completely renewing (as opposed to simply revising) the church electoral roll and the church membership list. This will be carried out during February and March.

More details will follow in the coming weeks.

## **PFI Day**

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Prayer for Israel will be holding a Prayer and Bible Day on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm in the Church Centre. The speaker will be Derek Rous, the director of PFI. Refreshments will be provided but please bring a packed lunch.

## **Tuesday Bible Alive – future dates**

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5th February - Christian Character - A disposable nappy, an old dog!  
19th February - Christian Character – Shutting up, jumping for joy?

All meetings are at 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge.

## **Cinema for Seniors**

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Canoe Lake Leisure are hosting a showing of [Singin' in the Rain](#), starring Gene Kelly, at their pavilion at 2 p.m. on **Thursday 7th February**, (doors open 1.30). This is aimed at seniors who may live alone or who would be alone in the afternoon and would welcome a chance to come out and meet those in a similar situation. The cost is £5, which includes tea, coffee and biscuits. Please talk to Dinah Walters if you are interested, or book directly with Canoe Lake Leisure, either using their email [info@canoelakeleisure.co.uk](mailto:info@canoelakeleisure.co.uk) or calling in to their reception (they don't have a phone number). [Cinema for Seniors](#) aims to help alleviate loneliness amongst older people, so please do pass this information on to anyone who might like to come.

## **St. Edmund's Catholic School - Senior Citizens' Party**

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St. Edmund's are holding their annual Senior Citizens' Party on **Thursday 14th February** from 2.00 to 4.00 pm. All senior citizens from St. Simon's are invited. If you would like to attend, please contact Mrs. T. Cormican on 023 9282 3766 ext 230 by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February in order to book a place.

## **Men's and Ladies' events, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

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There will be a men's breakfast in the morning, organised by Cliff Gollidge, and a ladies' afternoon tea and cake at a local cafe, organised by Dinah Walters. Further details will be included in the next newsletter.

## Ladies' Evening

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Save the date! There will be a ladies' evening on **Friday 8th March** in the Church Centre. It will be a social with a supper of some kind and a chance to demonstrate and share skills. If you have a talent that you would like to share with others, please contact Gail Chipperfield or Dinah Walters. We'd love to hear from anyone who can contribute. More information in due course.

## Social events

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The [list of social events planned for the first half of 2019](#) is now available on the website and the Welcome Table.

## Mission Team

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Ruth and Geraldine would welcome a few new people to join with them on the Mission Team. If you're interested please speak to either one of them.

## Safeguarding Training

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New dates for safeguarding training have now been loaded on to the Diocesan Website and places can be booked online by clicking [here](#) and choosing the training that you require.

## Beyond the Streets volunteering opportunity

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Beyond the Streets, one of the organisations that we support through the Alms Fund, is looking to recruit a Telephone Support worker (Female). Further details are available on their website <https://beyondthestreets.org.uk/>, from the church office or Elly Mulvany. The closing date is 4<sup>th</sup> February.

## **Regular Events**

**Little Shipmates** (Mondays 9.30 – 11 am, Church Centre, term time)

**Temples for 10-18 year-olds** (Mondays 7.00-8.30 pm)

**Tuesday Time Together** (Praise and Prayer, 10 am in the South Room)

**Play and Praise** (Tuesdays 1 - 2.30 pm for over 2s, term time only)

**Shipmates Cafe** (Tuesdays 3.30 - 3.30 pm for under 10s, term time only)

**Tuesday Bible Alive** (Alternate Tuesdays, 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge)

**Breakthru Self-Help Community** (Fridays 10.30 am to 2.30 pm, term time)

**Fusion Café** (youth club for 10-14s) (Fridays 3.45-5.15 pm, term time)

**Sunday Suppers** (Sunday nights 5.30 to 7.30 pm, from 5.15 pm to help set up)

**Rhythm of Prayer** (Wednesdays at 6.00 pm and Fridays at 09.30 am)

**Prayer for Israel** (fourth Fridays 3.00–4.00 pm Lounge. Contact Ruth Warner)

**Home Groups.** There are several mid-week Home Groups, to which church members are encouraged to belong. There is a list of the groups on the website and on the notice board in the lower hall. More information is available from Michael Piper, the Home Group Co-ordinator, or from the church office.

## **Notes**

These Newsletters are published fortnightly. The deadline for contributions is midnight of the Tuesday before publication. Please send your news, notices of events, etc. to the Church Office.

Would you like to read this Newsletter in large print? Please let the office know.

This newsletter is available on the church website.

If you would like to receive notification via e-mail when future Newsletters are available, please complete [this online form](#).

## Services at St. Simon's

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January

10.30 am Morning Praise

6.00 pm Sunday Supper

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

09.30 am Shipmates

10.45 am Holy Communion

6.00 pm Sunday Supper

If you would like more details of any of the events listed here, please contact the Church Office, or visit the Calendar on our website:

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



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