!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS !!

Many thanks to all who sponsored me on the 'Nine Mile Challenge' for *Cats Protection.* We've raised the magnificent total of £162, which with Gift Aid will increase to around £182. This will make a real difference to the lives of many unwanted and neglected cats in Cat Protection's care. Thank you all for your support and generosity. *(Stephanie Roberts)*

Coffee Stop last Saturday raised £190.00 for Action for Children. Many thanks to all those who supported the event. *(Sheila Jones)*

Help urgently needed for Friary lunches

Thank you to all those who regularly provide sandwiches for us to distribute to people who attend the Friary for their Sunday lunch. Our next turn providing lunches for people in need in Crawley at the Friary is November 17th. The jobs that we need help with are serving tea and coffee before lunch (from approximately 12 o'clock,) serving lunches from 12.45 onwards, and washing up afterwards. We are usually finished by 2.30 pm. Please let me know if you could to commit to helping with any of these, as without more help we will be unable to continue with this important Outreach undertaking. (Jill Mason)

St Paul's is now on Facebook! Look for the Facebook logo on our website homepage. Please make yourself a 'friend' and contribute your posts. Facebook is a great way to promote St Paul's and what's going on here so, if you are into social media, please use it. The administrator and moderator is Tunde Olashore.

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Welcome to St Paul's

Sunday 27th October 2019 10:30am Rev Felicity Al-Hassan

Theme: Prayer, Self-satisfaction & Pride, Humility & Grace

First time at St Paul's? Please join us for refreshments and a friendly chat after the service. We can tell you about our church and its activities and we'll try to answer any questions you may have.

Bibles and large print hymn books are available from the door stewards

Flowers today donated by Ruth Lewis and David Brown for their wedding anniversary

Sunday 3rd November 10:30am
Rev Ralph Ward
Holy Communion
Church Council meets after the service

Our mission at St Paul's is to:

Unite in Faith
Worship in Faith
Grow in Faith
Share the Good News
Make disciples
Serve in love

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Loaves & Fishes Café Closed for half-term holiday Re-opens Monday 4th November

Mon 28st **7:30pm** *Shaped by God* course session 4 at St Paul's

with Carol and Martyn Ofield

7:30pm Furnace Green House Fellowship

Burghley Wood Tina Baker at the Bowers' house

NB change of venue

Wed 30th 9:30am-12 Everywoman's Badminton

11am-12 Shaped by God course session 4 at

St Paul's with Rev Ralph

2pm Women's Fellowship *Paper games* with Margaret

Richardson

Thu 31st 2:30-3:30pm *Shaped by God* course session 4

at St Paul's with Joyce Jordan

Fri 1st 7:30pm Choir practice

Sun 3rd After the service - Church Council meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

Mon 28 Oct 7:30pm Furnace Green House Fellowship

Burghley Wood Tina Baker at the Roses' house

Wed 6 Nov 2pm Women's Fellowship

Sat 9 Nov 7pm Quiz Night at United Reform Church, Worth Park

Avenue, Pound Hill to raise funds for *Refugees*Welcome, Crawley. For more details see the poster on
the Charities noticeboard in the Welcome Hall or ask

Ruth Lewis.

This Christmas – yes, we're thinking about it already, we will be supporting *Love in a Box*. The idea is to take a shoe box, cover it with Christmas wrapping paper and fill it with small inexpensive gifts suitable for a child. If you can't do a whole box, donations of gifts that could be placed in boxes would be gratefully received as we will be putting some together as a Messy Church activity in November. Leaflets explaining the scheme have been given out. If you didn't get one, there are more copies in the Welcome Hall and you can see it from the *Love in a Box* panel on our website homepage. Rev Ralph told us how successful he has seen this project being and how rewarding it is for the children who receive these boxes as their only Christmas gift and for us, the givers. We are declaring 24th November *Shoe Box Sunday*, so all boxes need to be at St Paul's by then as they will be collected the next day. If you have any questions please see Carol Ofield who will be happy to explain more.

Time for Prayer

Please pray for next Sunday's Church Council meeting. Ask God to guide us in our discussions and in the decisions we make about the life and mission of our church.

As the *Shaped by God* **course** comes to an end pray for all who took part. Ask God to show us how to use the gifts He has given each of us to grow our church and His Kingdom.

Please pray for Priya Shan and continue to pray for Lorraine Valler, Wendy and Joyce Walling, Daniel Okun, Jean and Geoff Rose, Jean Franklin, Maureen Olashore, Marcy, and others with needs known to ourselves.

Methodist Church Guidelines state that permssion must be received from a person before their name is put on the Church prayer list. Please ensure that you have such permission.