

## Events This week

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>** Holy Communion Tangley 10 am

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>** Compline Charlton 9.15 pm

## Notices from around the Benefice...

**Weyhill Summer Tea Party** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August  
2.30 – 5.30, tickets £7 To book call Jude on 07708  
425864 or Janet on 01264 353428

**Weyhill Church Fete** Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September noon  
– 3 pm at Weyhill Fair Pub grounds.

**Afternoon Tea followed by Encounters** James &  
John, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 5 pm St Thomas  
Charlton.

**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> September** Bingo at Smannell call Emma on  
07837 736681 for info.

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Sept** Festival of Angels – Weyhill 4 pm

**Hatherden & Tangley Harvest Supper** 7<sup>th</sup> Oct  
6.30 pm at Wildhern Village Hall tickets £5 to book  
please all Zoë Cleeton 07775 622449 or 735247

**Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Oct** Harvest Lunch Weyhill Noon to book  
call Jude on 07708 425864

**Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Oct** Macmillan Coffee Morning The Rectory,  
Enham call Rev Val 01264 748065 for info.

**Inter Parish Quiz Night** – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 7  
pm Charlton. Tickets £10 inc supper max 6 per team.  
So, get your team together, and book in with Jude on  
07999 352585.

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*In your Prayers please pray for.....*

For seeds of peace to be sown across the world

For those on holiday, may they be refreshed and  
renewed by a time away

For those recently bereaved, may God bring them  
a sense of peace in their suffering

## Community Diary Dates

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Andover Churches  
Together joint service at the United Reform  
Church 6.30 pm all welcome.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept** – Deeper Praise youth  
event for 12 – 18-year olds at St Pauls Smannell  
Road.

## Readings This Week

Gen 45 1 – 15

Ps 133

Rom 11 1 – 2a, 29 – 32 Matt 15 [10 - 20] 21-

## Next Week

Exod 1.8 – 2.10

Ps 124

Rom 12 1 – 8

Matt 16 13 - 20

## Words of Encouragement

By Rev Alex

'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid'

Matthew 14: 27

One of the most vivid memories I had as a child was when I was first learning to swim. I remember the feeling of being terrified of the water. I hated getting water in my eyes, mouth, and nose. But I also remember that a short time later the eureka moment of discovering that the key to staying afloat was all about steady breathing and after that one moment I have never since feared water or drowning.

In last Sunday's Gospel Peter does more than float; he walks on the sea until he takes his eyes off Jesus and succumbs to fear. Isn't that the key to "staying afloat" in the midst of life's storms and headwinds? The moment we lose our focus and stop reaching out to the Lord, fear gets the better of us and we go under.

I wonder what frightens you these days? Friends, let us be encouraged that in the midst of our fears, we can turn to the saving arms of our Lord. Do your fears cloud your vision of the Lord coming across the water to rescue and embrace you? Remember: our Lord is the master of wind and sea and storm. Let us not be afraid to get out of the boat!

## Notes from Pastrow Admin

See the website for full information on events across the benefice. Email me to advertise yours.

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