

Issue No 75 Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018

## Services & events this week

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>** Encounters – Matthew 6.30 pm  
Charlton

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>** Messy Church Smannell 3 – 5 pm

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>** Holy Communion 9.30 am  
Hurstbourne & 10 am Tangley

## Services & events next week

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>** Evensong Tangley 6 pm

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>**

FOST Tea & Natter 2.30 pm Charlton

Messy Church Hatherden 3 – 5 pm

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>** Charlton Fete

## Readings This Week

1 Sam 8. 4 – 11 [12 – 15] 16 – 20; [11 14 – end]

Ps 138      2 Cor 4. 13 – 5.1      Mark 3 20 - end

## Next Week

1 Sam 15.34 – 16.13      Ps 20

2 Cor 5 6 – 10 [11 – 13] 14 – 17      Mark 4 26 - 34

## In your Prayers please pray for.....

Those who are known to us who have loved ones that are under the weather or have recently passed away.

The people in Guatemala as they struggle with this natural disaster.

All those sitting final exams.

## Pastrow & Community Diary Dates

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** Morgan Szymanski -  
Classical Guitarist Concert Hatherden  
Please contact ROSIE SWAYNE on 01264 735357  
or email [rosie.swayne@btinternet.com](mailto:rosie.swayne@btinternet.com) for  
information and to purchase tickets which are  
£15.00 to include wine and refreshments after the  
concert.

Enham Fun Day Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June Enham Football  
Ground

Pet Service the Rectory Enham, 10 am Sunday  
10<sup>th</sup> June

The prayer group are always happy to say  
prayers for you or an event, email them on  
[prayer@pastrowbenefice.org.uk](mailto:prayer@pastrowbenefice.org.uk)

## Words of Encouragement By Alan Evans

Jeremiah 29:11 says “For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, however we sometimes don’t ask what those plans are or think we can’t achieve them. Gideon was like that when God met with him; he was afraid of the Midianites and was hiding in a winepress. God comes and sits down next to the winepress and greets him with “The Lord is with you, mighty warrior”. Gideon responds by saying that, basically, he is a no-body and has no influence or authority to do anything. God answers “I will be with you”, which gives him all the authority he needs to save Israel from the Midianites. We are all called by God to fulfil the plans he has for us, whatever they may be. We need to ask him to show us what it is he wants us to do, even if we have to ask for a few “fleeces” to confirm it like Gideon did. The key thing is once we have heard God we need to do what He says, because if He is with us we can do it.

## Notes from Pastrow Admin

Please see the Benefice website for details on future services and events.

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If not available please call me, Jude 07999 352585 and I will always be happy to help.

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