

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 2nd May

Prayer Meeting 10.00am - 11.00am

Wednesday 3rd May

Coffee & Bible Study 10.00am - 11.45am

We will be looking at Colossians 2 v. 6 – 15 ~ The Conquest Of Evil

S.O.C. (Sandown Outreach Club) 4.15pm - 5.15pm (ages 5 – 7)
5.30pm - 6.30pm (ages 8 – 11)

Thursday 4th May

Housegroups 7.30pm

Friday 5th May

Noah's Ark Toddler Group 9.30am - 11.30am

Sunday 7th May

Morning Worship 10.30am

(Rev. Ian Lovell will be leading this morning's service)

Many Thanks Today Goes To...

Serving Tea & Coffee today are...

Elaine Carrington

Flowers today were provided by...

Sheila Rayner

Our Stewards today have been...

Norma Hall & Rene Duff

More is accomplished by lifting hands in prayer than by wringing them.

Jesus sees through us and he sees us through.

At the heart of worship is worship from the heart.

If we put God's word in our hearts, the Holy Spirit can put the right words in our mouth.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU



Since Tony Balding last took the food contributions to the Foodbank Warehouse, we have continued to put food into the boxes that are placed in the church vestibule. Last week Tony took the boxes over to the Warehouse and as a church we contributed **28.03kgs** to the overall work of the Isle of Wight Foodbank.

A big thank you to all who continue to contribute to this worthy cause.

NOTICES, EVENTS & NEWS

ADVANCED NOTICE

An evening with **Jonathan Veira** at **Shanklin URC Church** on **Saturday 6th May 2017 at 7.30pm.**

Jonathan is a professional singer, musician, raconteur, full of fun and laughter. He is a deeply committed Christian who shares his faith in a relaxed and sincere way through his music and banter.

Tickets are **£10** and are available from **Shanklin URC Bookshop** and **The Living Room** in Newport. Alternatively contact **Tracy** on **01983 867223.**

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CHURCH FINANCES FOR 23rd APRIL 2017

Budgeted offerings needed (incl. Gift Aid) for the month of April = **£3,618.33**

Cumulative offering for April = **£2,887.87**
Gift Aid still to be claimed for April = **£519.47**

Shortfall from Budgeted Offering for the month of April = **£211.00**
(Shortfall is determined by Gift Aid still to be claimed)

BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME FOR MAY 2017



2nd May
Norma Hall

10th May
Lorraine Hitchman

19th May
David Lambert

PRAYERS POINTERS

- Pray for those of our fellowship who are still unwell at this time. Pray for a speedy recovery of health.
- Please pray for the staff, pupils and parents of Sandown Bay Academy.
- Pray for the churches at St. John's and Christ Church, Sandown as they interview prospective candidates for the role of Vicar in Sandown this week.
- Pray for the future of our fellowship here at Sandown. Pray for our Pastor Ian as he leads us, and continue to pray for the various activities that go on during the week.

Looking in the Right Mirror!

'...Your beauty should come from within you...'

1 Peter 3 v. 4

The world's best fashion designers are concerned with the total look of the models they send down the catwalk. They must have perfect accessories and the right hairstyle, make-up, etc. And it's the same with God.

He created you as a whole person with specific features, personality traits, and emotional strengths. He designed you to be a vibrant, thinking, feeling and fully-functioning human being with your own unique attractiveness. But He endowed you with more than just physical appearance. He gave you talents and spiritual gifts - inner qualities

He wants you to develop and use for His purposes. What you are on the inside should determine how you see yourself on the outside. When your looks determine your worth, a few extra pounds can wipe you out; so can magazine covers that trumpet beauty without character. You're looking in the wrong mirror!

The Bible says, 'Don't be concerned about the outward beauty of fancy hairstyles, expensive jewellery, or beautiful clothes. You should clothe yourself instead with the beauty that comes from within...' (1 Peter 3 v. 3 - 4 NLT).

When your self-worth comes from God instead of people, you can wear a £10 outfit from a charity shop or a £1000 one from an up-market boutique. You are fine either way, because you recognise that your outer appearance doesn't define who you are, or determine your worth in God's eyes.

Inner beauty can't be bought, taken off a rack, applied like make-up or put on like a new suit. It's an 'inside job'.

So look at yourself today in God's mirror and try to see what He values most: inner beauty.

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Welcome to SANDOWN BAPTIST CHURCH



Our Vision is to . . .

Reach others with Christ's love as we learn to follow Him

SUNDAY 30th APRIL 2017

10.30 am Morning Worship ~ Sandown Housegroup

Worship Leader: Mr. Brian Hall

Preacher: Mrs. Rene Duff

Theme: Be Watchful

Reading: John 10 v. 1 - 15

We give a warm welcome to everyone who has joined us today, especially if you are new here or are just visiting us for the day.

If you are visiting then please take the opportunity to sign our visitor's book before you leave today. If you are new to the church and wish to find out more of what we do here, then please make yourself known to our Minister or one of the Welcome Team.

Please stay seated throughout the service if you prefer. Refreshments are served at the end of the service in the vestibule and you are very welcome to stay and fellowship with us.

During the morning service children and young people will be invited to go out to their groups. To join a group for your age, please follow them out and one of the leaders will show you where to go.

Our Church Text for 2017

. . . . The Lord who created you says:

'Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you.
I have called you by name; you are mine.'

Isaiah 43 v. 1