



Bewsborough Bulletin

The weekly newsletter for Barfreestone, Coldred, Guston, Eythorne & Elvington, Waldershare, Shepherdsweil and Whitfield

Coming Up

Sun 10th August

9.00am | Morning Worship | St. Pancras'
10.30am | Holy Communion | St. Andrew's
10.30am | Let's Worship | St. Peter's (church building)

Wed 13th August

9.30am | Let's Chat | Whitfield Rec. Pavilion

Thur 14th August

11.30am | Informal Communion | SS Peter & Paul's
7.00pm | Small Group | Whitfield

Sun 17th August

9.00am | BCP Communion | St. Nicholas'
10.30am | Holy Communion | St. Andrew's
10.30am | Family Communion | St. Peter's
12.30pm | Baptism of Oakley | St. Peter's
2.00pm | Baptism of Olive | Duke of York School
6.00pm | Evensong | St. Martin's

Wed 20th August

9.30am | Let's Chat | Whitfield Rec. Pavilion

Thur 21st August

11.30am | Informal Communion | SS Peter & Paul's
1.30pm | Wedding of Chris & Alex
7.00pm | Small Group | Whitfield

Sat 23rd August

3.00pm | Wedding of Paul & Lizzie | St. Peter's

Sun 24th August

9.00am | BCP Communion | St. Pancras'
10.30am | Morning Worship | St. Andrew's
10.30am | Whitfield Worship | School Hall – Mayfield



Leading Your Church into Growth

Saturday 18th October
9.30am to 3.00pm

Come along and be part of Leading Your Church into Growth Local.

An opportunity for us all to discern and discover God's preferred and promised future for our six churches – one of flourishing faith, deepened community and Spirit led mission and ministry.

This time learning, exploration and fellowship will help us discover that vision together, and equip us with proven strategies to revitalise worship, strengthen fellowship, and grow our impact.

And have fun together as we learn and share!

Further details to come, but pop the date on your calendar, and be part of a wonderful day!

For Our Prayers

Please pray for the following people, all known to God, who need our prayers and for those who tend to them and show them love and care:

Tallulah, Michael, Pauline, Ian M, Mark, David B, Whitney, Tantely, Karen T, Janet B, Madge, Jill R, Ian, Marion G, Fred Ransley, Paige, Margaret C, Tom van den Ende, and Eileen who had a fall

O God, you are the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the wills that serve you; help us so to know you that we may truly love you, so to love you that we may fully serve you, whom to serve is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Augustine of Hippo (354–430)

Keep in Touch



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During August Sean will be unavailable for a few days here and there



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Friends of St. Andrew's

For many years now, the Friends of St. Andrew's (FoSA) have been helping maintain the fabric, fittings, fixtures and support projects to enhance the building and its presence within the community of Shepherdswell, as a place of worship and community services and events.

Many local events are coordinated by the FoSA and proceeds from fundraising activities made available for works or projects to be undertaken. Recent examples of this support are the works to the Lychgate and also the provision of the new noticeboard.

The small group who appreciate the building and its importance to the village, and are keen to see it conserved for future generations and the community are looking for new members to join the team.

If you would like to help and have a passion for ensuring St. Andrew's remains available to the whole community for worship and community then please get in touch with:

Mike Pascall - 07762 014149

MADAGASCAR APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who has dug deep (pardon the pun) and donated to as we seek to missionally support our partner parishes in Madagascar by enabling the purchase of spades, wheelbarrows, watering cans, and other essential equipment that will help the community farm and be self sufficient. So far we have **raised £320** which is wonderful, and past our initial fundraising target.

The first gift donations will be transferred in the coming week which will finance the initial purchase of the equipment that is much needed.

We are going to continue collecting donations to ensure that we are able to support any additional needs quickly.

Donating through our website is a quick and easy way to support our fundraising activities, just click the link below!

DONATE NOW

St. Clare of Assisi

Remembered on 11th August

Reflection Inspired by John 15:4-10

St. Clare of Assisi embodied Jesus's teaching in John 15:4-10 about remaining in His love through radical discipleship and unwavering devotion.

When Christ calls His followers to "remain in me as I also remain in you," Clare answered with extraordinary surrender, leaving her noble family to embrace Gospel poverty alongside St. Francis. Clare's life demonstrated what it means to be a branch connected to the true vine.

Her commitment to the Poor Clares wasn't merely about religious observance but about cultivating an intimate relationship with Christ that bore lasting fruit. She understood that apart from Him, she could do nothing, so she structured her entire existence around prayer, contemplation, and service to others.

The passage's emphasis on keeping Christ's commandments through love found expression in Clare's fierce protection of her community's calling to radical poverty. When church authorities pressured her to accept property and wealth, she refused, knowing that their authentic witness depended on remaining faithful to Gospel simplicity.

Clare's mystical experiences and miraculous interventions—including reportedly driving away Saracen invaders through prayer—revealed the supernatural fruit that grows when one truly abides in Christ. Her life exemplified Jesus's promise that those who remain in His love will ask what they wish and it will be done for them.

Through contemplative prayer and complete self-giving, St. Clare became a living testament to the transformative power of remaining connected to the divine vine, inspiring generations to seek that same intimate union with Christ.



Sunday and Mid-Week Worship for August

Date	Location	Service
3rd August Green Trinity 7	St. Nicholas, Barfreestone	9.00am Morning Worship
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Holy Communion
	Whitfield Village Hall	10.30am Let's Worship
	St. Martin's, Guston	6.00pm Communion
Thur 7th August	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Informal Communion
10th August Green Trinity 8	St. Pancras, Coldred	9.00am Morning Worship
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Holy Communion
	St. Peter's, Whitfield	10.30am Let's Worship
Thur 14th August	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Holy Communion
17th August Green Trinity 9	St. Nicholas, Barfreestone	9.00am BCP Communion
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Holy Communion
	St. Peter's, Whitfield	10.30am Holy Communion
	St. Martin's, Guston	6.00pm Evensong
Thur 21st August	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Holy Communion
24th August Green Trinity 10	St. Pancras, Coldred	9.00am BCP Communion
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Morning Worship
	Whitfield School, Mayfield Site	10.30am Let's Worship
Thur 28th August	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Holy Communion
31st August Green Trinity 11	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Parish Communion



Trinity 8

Isaiah 1:1, 10–20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation – I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Luke 12:32–40

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

Hebrews 11:1–3, 8–16

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old – and Sarah herself was barren – because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Psalms 50:1–7

¹ The Mighty One, God, the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to where it sets.
² From Zion, perfect in beauty,
God shines forth.
³ Our God comes
and will not be silent;
a fire devours before him,
and around him a tempest rages.
⁴ He summons the heavens above,
and the earth, that he may judge his people:
⁵ “Gather to me this consecrated people,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice.”
⁶ And the heavens proclaim his righteousness,
for he is a God of justice.[a][b]
⁷ “Listen, my people, and I will speak;
I will testify against you, Israel:
I am God, your God.

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MOST *needed* ITEMS

AUGUST 2025

- ☒ CEREAL
- ☒ UHT MILK
- ☒ FRUIT JUICE (UHT)
- ☒ TINNED FISH
- ☒ TINNED SPAGHETTI
- ☒ JAM AND SPREADS
- ☒ NOODLES
- ☒ CUSTARD
- ☒ TINNED VEGETABLES
- ☒ INSTANT MASH
- ☒ TINNED MEAT
- ☒ SHAMPOO
- ☒ LAUNDRY PRODUCTS
- ☒ CLEANING PRODUCTS

PLEASE NOTE

We have plenty
of pasta & pulses

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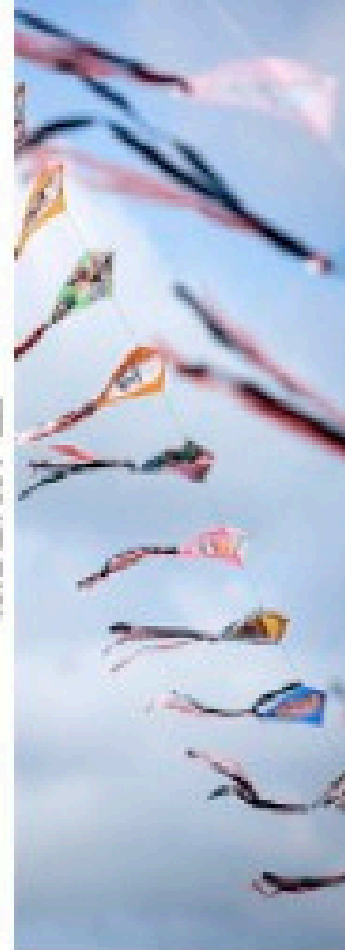
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Western Heights Family Kite Day

Sun 10 Aug 2025, 11am - 4pm

Sports Field, Citadel Rd, CT17 9DP



Let's go fly a kite, up on the Western Heights!

Join us for a fun-filled day of flight, creativity and discovery at Dover's iconic hilltop fort.

Fly your own kite or make one for free in drop-in workshops

Kite displays from the amazing Kent Kite Flyers

Afghan master kite makers share their colourful traditions

Discover local wildlife with White Cliffs Countryside Partnership

Find out all about the chough with Kent Wildlife Trust

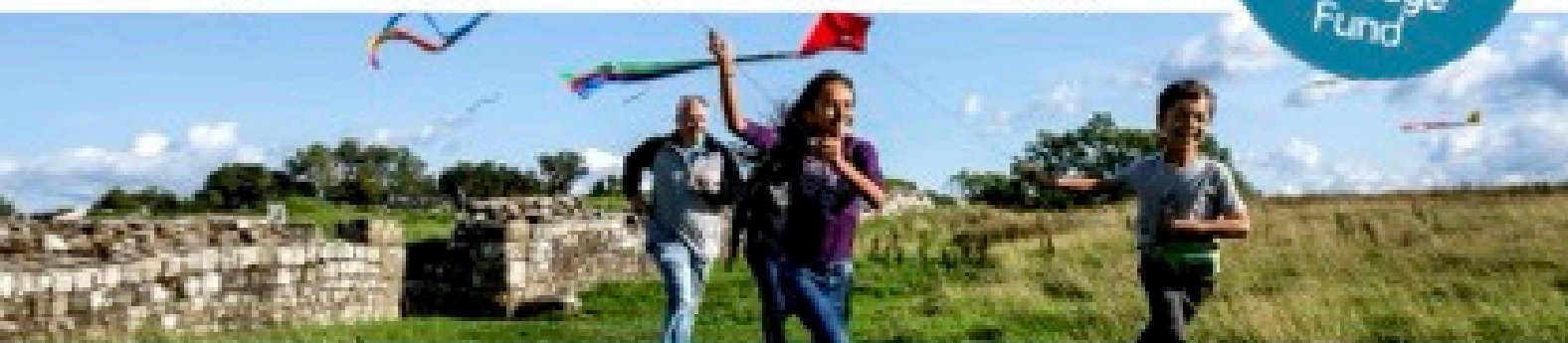
Step inside the Grand Shaft, open specially for the day

Enjoy local ice cream from Solley's ice cream

Find refreshment at the Citadel Café

Free entry. Free parking. No booking required.

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READY TO HAVE SOME FUN?
JOIN US AT THE

WHITFIELD FETE

WHITFIELD RECREATION GROUND
SATURDAY 20th SEP / 12-6pm

FEATURING:

DOVER COMMUNITY RADIO
ARENA ENTERTAINMENT

DOVER TRANSPORT MUSEUM & CLASSIC VEHICLES

BAR - ICECREAM - POPCORN - CANDYFLOSS

FOOD & CRAFT STALLS - BOUNCY CASTLE

FACE PAINTING - FIRE ENGINE - FOOTBALL

BARROW OF BOOZE

DOG SHOW & MUCH MORE!

ALL AGES WELCOME!

PARKING IN REC WILL BE LIMITED

**MOST STALLS CANNOT ACCEPT
CARD PAYMENTS**

