

Wednesday 1 July

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (12noon): *Mass and charity lunch.*
TOTLAND, Christ Church (7.30pm): *Jubilee Organfest.* Celebrating 50 years of organ recitals in West Wight. With Prof Dr Ian Tracey, from Liverpool Cathedral. Admission free, retiring collection.

Saturday 4 July

PORTSMOUTH, St Faith's Church, Crasswell Street, Landport (10.30am): *Coffee morning.*
PURBROOK, Purbrook Park School, Park Avenue (1-4pm): *Christ Church Portsdown Summer Fete.* Stalls, arena events, refreshments and prize draw (first prize: £100).
ALTON, Alton Abbey (6.30pm): *Surrey Voices.* Secular and religious music. Tickets: £12, from Friends of Alton Abbey, Alton Abbey, Abbey Road, Beech, Alton.

Sunday 5 July

GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (3.30pm): *Concert.* Warwickshire Youth Corale perform. Admission free. Retiring collection for the 'Handel' organ appeal.
GOSPORT, St Mary's Church, Alverstoke (6.30pm): *Summer Choral Evensong.* With St Mary's Choir.
NEWTOWN, Holy Trinity Church (6pm): *Taizé-style night prayer.* Part of deanery-by-deanery roadshow. Details: the Rev Dominic Clarke (01730-266199).

Wednesday 8 July

PORTSMOUTH, St Wilfrid's Church, George Street (7.30pm): *Entertainment Unlimited concert.* Organised by the parish branch of the Mothers' Union. Tickets: £2.

Thursday 9 July

PORTSMOUTH, Room F, Third Floor, Central Library, Guildhall Square (7.30pm): *A Jewish Approach to Human Rights and Israel/Palestine.* Public meeting with Dr Brian Klug, co-founder of Independent Jewish Voices, senior research fellow and tutor at Oxford University. Organised by Portsmouth Network for a Just Settlement of the Arab-Israeli Conflict. Details: 023-9248 6064.
SOUTHSEA, Church of the Holy Spirit, Fawcett Road (7:45pm): *Concert of light music by Portsmouth City Band.* Admission free. Retiring collection toward the church's centennial building appeal fund. Followed by light refreshments.

Saturday 11 July

STUBBINGTON, Holy Rood Church (9.30am-4pm): *The Big But.* Hampshire Men's Day, organised by Christian Vision for Men. Speakers include Carl Beech and Steve Legg. See page 5 for details. Contact: Steve Martin (023-9281 4410).
PORTSMOUTH, St Mark's Church, Derby Road, North End (10am-1pm): *Table-top sale.* Admission free. Details: 023-9266 5753.
GOSPORT, St Matthew's Church, Bridgemary (1pm-4pm): *Summer fete.* Barbecue, refreshments, stalls and games.
FAREHAM, St Peter and St Paul's Church, Osborn Road (7.30pm): *Charity concert.* Fareham Philharmonic Choir present light music. Proceeds to Naomi House Children's Hospice. Tickets: £6 (adult), £3 (under 16s), available on 01329-318731 or 01329-664948.
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (7.30pm): *Of A Rose.* The Renaissance Choir present tranquil music for summer with works by Rutter, Poulenc and Elgar. Piano solos by Karen Kingsley. Tickets: £12/£10/£2.

Sunday 12 July

PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral, High Street (2pm): *Praise and worship.* Titchfield pianist and composer Charles Timberlake is joined by the music group from Shoreline Church,

BOTLEY MUSIC FESTIVAL

BOTLEY, All Saints Church: The Botley Music Festival happens from July 5-11, supported by Hampshire County Council, Eastleigh Borough Council and Botley Parish Council. Order your tickets on 07775-185170 or see www.botley.com/music festival. Events listed below are in All Saints Church, unless stated:

Sunday 5 July

(6.30pm): *Festival Choral Evensong.* Followed by cheese and wine reception.

Monday 6 July

(12.30pm): *Recital by soprano Patricia Jenkins; (1.45pm): Handbell ringing.* With Owslebury Bells.

BOTLEY, Botley Square (6.45pm): *Street entertainment.* Includes morris dancing, choirs, Irish band and hog roast.

Tuesday 7 July

(10am): *Musical fun for the under-fives.* With Maraca Jacks; **(12.30pm):** *Organ recital.* With James Aiken; **(7.30pm):** *Classic Classics concert.* With the Kaleidoscope String Ensemble.

Wednesday 8 July

(12.30pm): *Informal recital.* With organ-

Stubbington. To celebrate Shoreline's 10th anniversary, it includes lively and reflective praise and worship songs, readings and prayers.
WARSASH, D-Day Memorial, Warsash shore (6.30pm): *Service of hymns of praise for Sea Sunday.* Join local guests, uniformed organisations and Warsash Band, to mark the occasion.
PORTSMOUTH, St Mark's Church, Derby Road, North End (6.30pm): *Evening of worship from Taizé and Margaret Rizza.* Led by Geoff Porter and St Mark's Choir. Details: 023-9266 5753 or office@stmarkportsea.co.uk.

Wednesday 15 July

PORTSMOUTH, Cosham Baptist church hall (7.15pm): *Help In Bereavement open evening.* For those interested in volunteering. Training will be held at the Rowans Hospice for 12 weeks from September. Contact: 023-9266 8884 or see www.help-in-bereavement.co.uk.

Thursday 16 July

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (10am): *Parish schools' celebration.* Pupils and staff from schools in the parish join together for annual service.

PORTSMOUTH, St Wilfrid's Church, George Street (12noon): *Charity lunch.*

Saturday 18 July

RYDE, The Theatre, Ryde School with Upper Chine, Queen's Road (9.45am-1.30pm): *Archdeaconry consultation about our diocese's Ministry for Mission strategy.* Tell others your vision for ministry deployment in our diocese.

CURDRIDGE, Reading Rooms Lane (11am-5pm): *Curdridge Country Show.* Includes crafts, ferret racing, dog agility display and juggling. Visit the tea tent, hog roast and pamper zone. Teddy bears' picnic organised by St Peter's Church. See www.curdridgeshow.co.uk for details.

STUBBINGTON, Crofton School (5pm-9pm): *Evangelistic open-air gig.* With local bands. Headlined by Christian band Bosh. Details: Alec Gill (01329-667091).

SHALFLEET, St Michael's Church (7.30pm): *Recital on new Father Willis organ.* By Geoffrey Morgan, organist at Christchurch Priory. Refreshments. Admission free, retiring collection.

DENMEAD, All Saints Church Hambledon Road (7.30pm): *Evening of Summer Music.* Organist Lyndon Ford presents solo/ensemble items and audience participation. Tickets: £8, including light refreshments, available from Dawn Banting on 023-9226 8840.

ist David Burgess; **(6.30pm):** *URO Plus!* Performance by Upham Recorder Orchestra, with items from junior choristers of All Saints Church.

Thursday 9 July

(10am): *Literary potpourri.* All Saints' Reading Group share literary and musical extracts.

Friday 10 July

(12.30pm): *Organ recital.* By Mark Dancer.
BOTLEY, Market Hall, High Street (7.30pm): *Festival barn dance.*

Saturday 11 July

(10am): *Church bells ring out across village; (7.30pm):* *Last Night of the Proms.* Featuring All Saints' Augmented Choir and Marchwood Orchestra.

Saturday 18 July -

Sunday 19 July
PORTSMOUTH, various locations, Farlington: Open gardens weekend. Gardens across Farlington parish open for weekend. Tickets £3/£5. Proceeds for hall building fund. Refreshments and other attractions. Details: 023 9237 1840.

Sunday 19 July

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (4pm): *Zephyr Wind Ensemble Concert.* In aid of St Mary's Music Foundation.

Thursday 23 July

PORTSMOUTH, St Wilfrid's Church, George Street (9.30am): *Healing service.*



Bosh (Stubbington, July 18)

Thursday 23 July -

Sunday 26 July
PORTSMOUTH, Portsmouth Cathedral (10am-7pm, except Sunday: 2pm-6pm): *The Greatest Show on Earth.* Circus-inspired flower festival, including more than 60 flower arrangements, entertainment and food. See page 2 for details.

Saturday 25 July

YAVERLAND, Yaverland Manor (2pm-4pm): *Yaverland Church garden party.* By kind permission of Mr and Mrs D Buckeridge. Light refreshments, preserves, cakes, books and other stalls, plus music from the Rainbow Singers. Entry: £1 (under 12s: free).

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton (5.30pm): *Choral Evensong.* Sung by the choir of St Chad's, Shrewsbury.

Sunday 26 July

NEWPORT, Newport Minster, St Thomas's Square (6.30pm): *Choral Evensong.* To mark the retirement of Canon Stephen Palmer.

Monday 27 July

TOTLAND, Christ Church (7.30pm): *Midas Touch Duo.* With Roger Sayer and Charles Andrews of Rochester Cathedral. Admission free, retiring collection.

SOBERTON NEW BEGINNINGS FESTIVAL

SOBERTON, St Peter's Church: The festival is centred around a festival of flowers and displays at St Peter's. Proceeds will be divided between the church, Soberton village hall and Naomi House Children's Hospice. Events listed are in St Peter's Church:

Thursday 9 July

(7pm for 7.30pm): *Portsmouth Cathedral Choir concert.* Tickets: £10, available on 01489-877378.

Saturday 11 July

(7pm for 7.30pm): *Performance by The Madding Crowd.* Tickets: £10, available on 01489-877378.

Saturday 18 July

(10am-4.30pm): *Free festival events.*

Includes local children dancing on the green, stunning flower displays in St Peter's, superb model railway exhibition and teas in the village hall; **(2pm):** *Round the Horn.* By Soberton Players.

Sunday 19 July

(10am-4.30pm): *Free exhibitions and displays.* Includes chance to see stained glass windows, quilting, wood-carving, calligraphy, thatching and more; **(6.30pm):** *Service of thanksgiving.*

Wednesday 29 July -

Thursday 30 July
PORTSMOUTH, St George's Church, Portsea (10am-4pm): *Introductory two-day workshop on the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI).* Led by Marion Syms and Carole Wynne. Contact: Kay Lancaster (023-9289 9656 or kay.lancaster@portsmouth.anglican.org).

Sunday 2 August

GOSPORT, Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Green (3.30pm): *Organ recital.* James Luxton from Birmingham Conservatoire performs. Admission free. Retiring collection for the organ appeal.

Tuesday 4 August -

Friday 7 August
DENMEAD, Denmead Infant School: Denmead Activity and Bible School (DABS). Holiday club, including games, craft, sport, stories and songs.

Friday 7 August

GOSPORT, St Mary's Church, Alverstoke (12.30pm-1.15pm): *Organ recital.* With Geoffrey Morgan, from Christchurch Priory. Tickets: £3.50 (concs: £3, students: free) available on 023-9258 0551.

Monday 10 August -

Saturday 15 August
EAST COWES, St James' Church, Church Path (Daily: 10am-4pm; plus Wednesday and Thursday: 6.30pm-8.30pm): *Jigsaw Puzzle Festival.* Hundreds of made-up jigsaw puzzles on display and for sale.

Admission £1.50 (accompanied children: free). Refreshments and large second-hand bookstall. Proceeds to church funds. Contact: 01983-294075 or 01983-295378.

Friday 14 August

GOSPORT, St Mary's Church, Alverstoke (12.30pm-1.15pm): *Organ recital.* With Jeremy Rouse, from Bedford School. Tickets: £3.50 (concs: £3, students: free) available on 023-9258 0551.

Saturday 15 August

ALTON, Alton Abbey (7.30pm for 8pm): *The Great, the Good and the Not So Good.* After-dinner talk by Andrew lightwood on his experience as a butler. Three-course meal with wine. Tickets:

£40, available from Friends of Alton Abbey, Alton Abbey, Abbey Road, Alton.

Sunday 16 August

PORTSMOUTH, St Mary's Church, Fratton Road, Fratton: Afternoon and evening celebrating the completion of the tower project; (2pm): *Chance to climb the tower.* Plus displays of the renovation work; **(4pm):** *Portsmouth City Band concert.* Concert in the grounds of the church. Refreshments available. Admission free, retiring collection; **(6pm):** *Patronal Festival Mass.* Followed by refreshments in the vicarage garden.

Friday 21 August

GOSPORT, St Mary's Church, Alverstoke (12.30pm-1.15pm): *Organ recital.* With David Price from Portsmouth Cathedral. Tickets: £3.50 (concs: £3, students: free) available on 023-9258 0551.

Friday 28 August -

Monday 31 August
HAMBLE-LE-RICE, St Andrew's Church (Friday & Saturday: 10am-6.30pm; Sunday: 12noon-5pm; Monday: 10am-5pm): *Celebration 900 Flower Festival.* To mark 900 years of this priory church.

Friday 28 August

GOSPORT, St Mary's Church, Alverstoke (12.30pm-1.15pm): *Organ recital.* With David Sanger from Cumbria. Tickets: £3.50 (concs: £3, students: free) available on 023-9258 0551.

Saturday 29 August & Monday 31 August

WOOTTON, St Mark's Church, Station Road (9am-5pm): *Celebration of centenary of St Mark's Church.* Includes exhibition of past and future of St Mark's, flower displays, tea/coffee/cake.

Sunday 30 August

WOOTTON, St Mark's Church, Station Road (10am): *Centenary service.* Preacher: the Very Rev David Brindley, dean of Portsmouth Cathedral.

● *Would you like your church's events for September listed here and on our diocesan website? Send details to: Pompey Chimes, First Floor, Peninsular House, Wharf Road, Portsmouth, PO2 8HB or to neil.pugmire@portsmouth.anglican.org by August 10. Please note: there is no separate August edition.*

announcements

Departures:

Canon Nick Ash, precentor of Portsmouth Cathedral, to be team rector, Cartmel Peninsular Team Ministry (Carlisle diocese).

The Rev Ian Hill, assistant curate at St John the Evangelist, Fareham, to become priest-in-charge, Aspenden, Buntingford and Westmill (St Albans diocese).

The Rev Steve Summers, rector at Farlington, to become principal of the local ministry training programme in Guildford diocese from early September.

Death:

The Rt Rev David Halsey, formerly honorary assistant bishop in Portsmouth diocese, died on May 16.