

# THORPE TOGETHER

The quarterly magazine  
for Thorpe Ward residents



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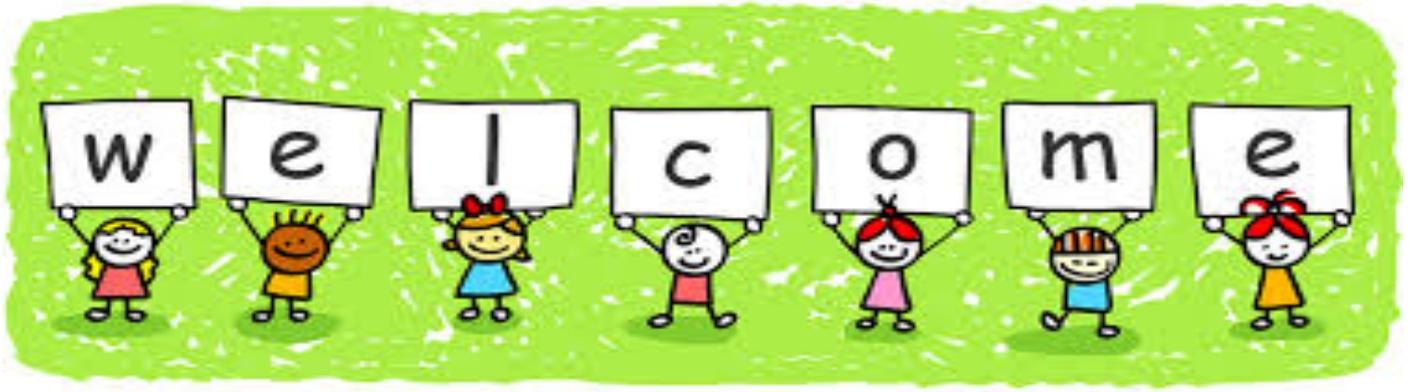
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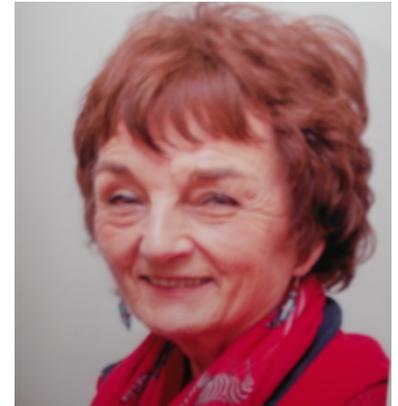
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Hello, I am Jenny Bright and since 1976 I have lived in the heart of Thorpe Village. At that time we still had the village stores in Village Road and Mrs Rumbold, from Rosemary Lane, was still doing her good work for the church and community (she received Maundy Money from the Queen in recognition.)

Prior to that we were in Staines and used to come over to Thorpe Green as there was a small tennis club there at that time with a clubhouse.



We felt we had stepped into a different world with so many open spaces and as I was brought up as a “townie” in Osterley, I found Thorpe very refreshing. My brother-in-law had moved into a new four bedroom semi on the estate, having been best friends with the builder and as my boys were ‘growing out of’ our small house in Staines, the type of house seemed just right for us. At the time houses were quite easy to sell, so I embarked on a mail drop to all the four bedroom semis and received two responses, so eventually we moved in.

I wanted to get to know the community and the boys were then old enough at 5 and 3 to attend Sunday School. Margaret Harnden (our Councillor) was in fact their teacher all those years ago. They continued to attend for a few years as did I. I stopped going regularly to Church as I had a few commitments with an elderly mother and mother-in-law but have returned on a regular basis for the last eight years. I am on the PCC and the Social Committee at the Church where we have an amazing bunch of friends who are very supportive. We organise many events which keep us on our toes and this helps in very small part towards the Church restoration fund. We hope you will continue to support our events.

I also belong to the River Bourne Club which keeps me reasonably fit, I enjoy some U3A activities such as play reading and bridge and I like to keep in touch with friends. We are also on grandchildren duty although sadly my youngest has moved away to Cheshire. I like walking and belong to the Spelthorne Walking for Health group. For the last few years I have attended a ballroom dancing class in the village hall along with some neighbours. As a result of a couple of visits to the Tower Ballroom, Blackpool, we also enjoy sequence dancing lessons.

We are very lucky with our neighbours! Ian Patenall is the Treasurer of TWRA and a very active member of The Association and I would like to pay tribute to him, in particular for the many hours of community gardening he undertakes. He announces the date and time of the next gardening project in the TWRA newsletter but really needs more helpers so if you could look out for this and give him your support that would be appreciated.



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## MILTON PARK FARM (MPF) Decision – Another postponement!

The decision on whether to grant Hanson planning permission to quarry sand/gravel at MPF has been postponed yet again! The new date for SCC's decision is shown on their website **21<sup>st</sup> November**.



## THORPE WARD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The TWRA committee meets monthly (except during August), on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month in the Rutherwyke Room, behind St Mary's Church, starting at 7:30pm.

From 7:30-8pm residents are welcome to attend to air any concerns which they feel TWRA or local councillors may be able to help with. New committee members always welcome. Dates of the next meetings are:

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November and Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

### Thorpe Parochial Charities – the Giles Travers Educational Charity

**Can we help you?** The trustees of Thorpe Parochial Charities invite applications from young people for support with the cost of further education from the Giles Travers Educational Charity.

Small grants are available to assist students with the costs of books and other expenses whilst in further education. To qualify the applicants must be under 21 years of age and live in the ancient parish of Thorpe.

Written applications should be sent to:

The Clerk to the Trustees  
Thorpe Parochial Charities  
9 Rosefield Gardens  
Ottershaw  
Surrey  
KT16 0JH



Applicants should state their age and give details of the educational establishment (to be) attended.



# THE INDEPENDENT



This year TWRA officially celebrated its 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It was formed as Thorpe Ward Residents' and Ratepayers' Association (TWRRA) on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1938 and was later renamed TWRA.

For 80 years, ordinary people who live in the ward have volunteered to try to make things better for all residents. TWRA supports 3 Independent ward councillors and Egham has also, for many years, benefited from Independent representation at RBC, formally Egham Urban District Council.

On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September, Freeman of the Borough, former Mayor of Runnymede and Independent Councillor for Thorpe for many years, Eiry Price, celebrated by cutting a cake to recognise the significance of 80 years for TWRA.

We look forward to celebrating the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the continued vibrancy of TWRA.

All who live in Thorpe Ward are invited to join the Association and information contained in this edition of Thorpe Together gives subscription details.

# From your Thorpe Ward Councillors

Linda Gillham, Elaine Gill and Margaret Harnden

## Thorpe Neighbourhood Forum

Thorpe Neighbourhood Forum has met regularly to progress the policies we wish to see in the Neighbourhood Plan. A recent meeting was held in Thorpe Lakes where members also had a tour of the waterski and other exciting water sports on offer. This is a hidden gem for anyone interested in water sports and we were all amazed that we knew so little about our own area!

At the last three meetings we have had short presentations from developers who are hoping to build in the Thorpe Area.

Eden Retirement Living showed the Forum how they plan to develop Cemex House in Coldharbour Lane and this is now subject to a planning application for apartments for older people.

Simco Homes presented their ideas to develop the "Coltscroft" area at the bottom of Rosemary Lane with a mixed development of up to 80 units of accommodation. They are planning to have a public exhibition this autumn.

The Forum has also had two presentations from Cemex and Blackfield Land who have combined their ideas to develop the landfill sites between Coldharbour Lane and Green Lane. This 140 acre site would include 100 acres of parkland and public open space.

Again expect a public exhibition later this year on this proposal.

With recent changes to Planning law the Forum now has considerable say in how the "designated area" is developed and has listened to all who wish to talk to us about their plans. These developers have expressed an interest in working with the Forum to include the ideas you have given us at the Open Events and we see this as an exciting future for Thorpe.

We would always welcome new members to the Forum and if you have an interest in the development of the Neighbourhood Area then please contact one of the Thorpe Councillors for more details.

Linda Gillham

## Local Ward Boundary Changes

Following the review started in November 2017 and completed earlier this year, the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (lgbce) has recently published its final recommendations for Runnymede Borough Council. This will effect Thorpe Ward, as well as all others in the borough.

The main change is that RBC will, from next May, have 41, rather than 42 local councillors. The new, smaller Englefield Green East Ward will be represented by 2, not 3 councillors. This follows many submissions received from Egham residents and organisations, including Runnymede Independent Residents' Group (RIRG) which your Thorpe Ward councillors are members of, concerned that the boundary changes proposed by RBC did not follow lgbce statutory criteria that natural boundaries and existing community identities should be taken into account. The Egham councillors, along with Thorpe's, are delighted and relieved that the lgbce has acknowledged and accepted their suggestions, keeping those in close proximity to the High Street in Egham ward, while areas nearer Staines Bridge will now remain in Egham Hythe ward.

Thorpe Ward will be losing the area north of Devil's Lane, the Vicarage Road area and Stroude Road north. It will gain the Penton Park area to the east of Chertsey Lane, and Laleham Reach. Further details will be included in the next two editions of Thorpe Together.

Margaret Harnden

If you would like to place an advert in the Winter edition of this newsletter to promote your organisation or business, please contact Sharon Young for details.  
info@thorpevillagehall.org 07973-710228



## THORPE WAR MEMORIAL PROJECT

TWRA organised an all day charity event at Stuart Cottage, Thorpe on Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Sept which proved a huge success and raised the remainder of the money needed for the war memorial project.

The day featured live entertainment including Egham Brass Band and other brilliant live acts. Plenty of food and refreshments were provided by Five Pennies, with Beer, Pimms tent and BBQ run by The Gill family and friends. Also many different stalls included tombola, raffle, Egham Historical Society, Royal British Legion and children's crafts where they learned about the meaning of the poppy. Military memorabilia and vehicles were also on display. In the evening there was an Open Air Cinema attended by nearly 150 people. [see photos on the following page and back cover]

There is also a discussion about producing a booklet of those names remembered on the memorial and also covering recent fund raising events, such as Saturday's charity event and the proposed memorial re-dedication service on 4<sup>th</sup> November.

The total project cost was £14,000.00 and this has been raised with help from Runnymede Borough Council, Surrey County Council, Merlin, Five Pennies and many, many other kind benefactors. Our grateful thanks to all those who have contributed. You know who you are - who promised financial support and gave it!

You will notice that the memorial will now be removed temporarily for refurbishment work, preparation of the existing ground before the new granite plinth is inserted with the names of both military and civilian casualties from WW11. The existing memorial will then be returned and repositioned on the new granite plinth.

There will be a special re-dedication service on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November from 3pm at St. Marys Church, Thorpe with a candle procession to the memorial.

Once again our thanks to all who supported this project. Everyone involved felt it such a worthy cause!

TWRA Committee & Elaine Gill

### Art in the Village

Rutherwyke Room, St. Mary's Church  
Church Approach, Thorpe TW20 8TQ

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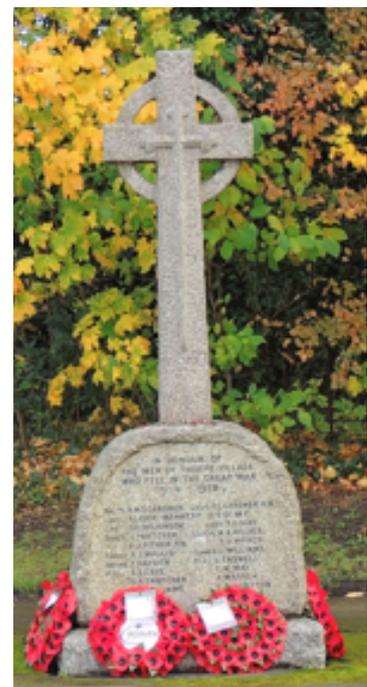
#### OIL PAINTING

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£132

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6 weeks beginning 5th October 2018  
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On 4<sup>th</sup> September the Thorpe War Memorial cross and plinth were removed to a safe place, where they will be restored, before being returned and erected above the new stone commemorating Thorpe lives lost in World War II and more recent conflicts.

## Photos Taken at The Family Fun Day and Outdoor Cinema Memorial Fundraising Event at Stuart Cottage on 1st September



This summer The Hythe Singers had the privilege of singing for a weekend of services at **St George's Chapel, Windsor**. It was truly an honour to perform in this beautiful, historic space, and even better that all our hard work paid off, as we were told afterwards that we would be welcome to sing there again in the future!

Looking forward, we have a busy term ahead! On **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October**, we shall be hosting a **Come and Sing Day** at **St Mary's Church, Thorpe**, when our wonderful musical director, Richard Harker, will be taking us through **Stravinsky's 'Symphony of Psalms'**. These are always fun and productive days, and open to all interested singers. If you would like to join us for the day, details are available at [thehythesingers.com](http://thehythesingers.com). Then later in the term, on **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November**, we shall be joining forces with The Hampton Choral Society to perform the **'Symphony of Psalms'** at **St John Smiths Square** in London.

The Hythe Singers' main winter concert will take place at **St Mary's, Thorpe** on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December**. This concert, entitled **'The Last Sunbeam'**, will be in commemoration of the Centenary of the First World War Armistice. The programme of World Wars 1 and 2 inspired music will include works by Vaughn Williams, Parry and MacMillan amongst others. For more information on any or all of these events, please go to our website (above), or contact [jenni.whiteside@btinternet.com](mailto:jenni.whiteside@btinternet.com)





# Thorpe Village Hall

**Having a celebration, business meeting or setting up a regular club?  
Looking for a hall with character, flexibility and a friendly welcome?**

Then contact the team at Thorpe Village Hall, who manage the venue for the benefit of the local community on 07539 528 654 or email [bookings@thorpevillagehall.org](mailto:bookings@thorpevillagehall.org). Our meeting room can accommodate up to 20 and the main hall up to 80, so perfect for business and social meetings alike.

**Alternatively, why not get involved in one of our regular clubs / groups:**

Day	Time	Event	Contact
Mon	10.00-11.00am	Zumba Gold Dance Fitness	Sandy: 07590 537016 <a href="mailto:info@viveutvitas.co.uk">info@viveutvitas.co.uk</a>
	11.00-12.00am	Pilates Mixed Ability	
	2.00-4.00pm	Tea and Talk Over 50s Social Club (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Mondays only)	Sharon: 07973 710228 <a href="mailto:info@thorpevillagehall.org">info@thorpevillagehall.org</a>
	8.00-10.00pm	Thorpe Players – readings and rehearsals	Valerie: 01932 561350 <a href="mailto:news@thorpeplayers.co.uk">news@thorpeplayers.co.uk</a>
Tues	9.30-10.30am	Circuit Training	Pre-booking required – please contact Vernetta: 07906 337594 <a href="mailto:vernyoga@yahoo.co.uk">vernyoga@yahoo.co.uk</a>
	11.00-12.15	Classic Gentle Yoga (L1)	
	7.30-9.30pm	SING Thorpe – Community Choir	
Weds	9.30-10.45am	Core Flow Yoga (L2)	Pre-booking required – please contact Vernetta: 07906 337594 <a href="mailto:vernyoga@yahoo.co.uk">vernyoga@yahoo.co.uk</a>
	11.30-12.45pm	Chair Yoga (L1)	
	7.00-9.00pm	Thameside Art Club (in Meeting Room)	
	7.30-8.30pm	'I Can't Dance' – Ballroom Dancing Class (Intermediate)	Georgina: 07968 292308 <a href="mailto:georginachallett@gmail.com">georginachallett@gmail.com</a>
	8.30-9.30pm	'I Can't Dance' - Ballroom Dancing Class (Beginners)	
Thurs	From 7.30pm	Private Dance Lessons – on request	
Fri	7.30-8.30pm	Monthly Sequence Class (3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of month)	

Our social club for the over 50s has a regular programme of interesting and fun activities and of course plenty of time to simply meet and chat to friends new and old over tea and delicious cake.

We have a wonderful group of regular ladies and gents, but always welcome new members - even if you can only attend sporadically. It would also be great to get some volunteers to help set up, do refreshments or even run the odd session.

We meet at Thorpe Village Hall the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month from 2.00 – 4.00pm. It costs £3 to attend including refreshments and activities. For more information, contact Sharon on 07973 710228 or [info@thorpevillagehall.org](mailto:info@thorpevillagehall.org). or simply come along to one of the sessions detailed on the following page:



### **10<sup>th</sup> September: Gone to the Dogs - Greyhound Racing**

Enjoy the excitement of a night at the Greyhound Stadium, as you watch recordings of six nail-biting races and use our 'funny money' to see if you can back a winner. In case you get on a losing run, you get the chance to win back some money by taking part in our special challenges.

### **24<sup>th</sup> September: Who was the original Jack the Ripper?**

130 years since the first Whitechapel murders, this is still one of the most famous series of unsolved crimes in history. This session highlights how modern forensics has uncovered new evidence (such as hand writing analysis on the Dear Boss letters), new suspects (such as America's serial killer H. H. Holmes) and new theories (was Jack a foreigner and not the Englishman we have come to believe?). Come and hear popular speaker Karen Hanley and perhaps we will finally uncover England's biggest mystery.

### **8<sup>th</sup> October – How is the Church celebrating family life?**

As an Anglican priest, with three step daughters, married to a deeply committed Roman Catholic, employed as a Parish Worker, our local curate, Gerard Mee may not have been deemed as the typical type of person who would have attended the World Meeting of Families. But having been given the gift of marriage and a readymade family by God, he simply wanted to learn how we can grow together as community. Hear from Gerard about his experiences and how the Church is celebrating family life.

**22<sup>nd</sup> October : The History of Heathrow Airport** – This chat is an introduction to the very beginning of Heathrow Airport, from 1909 when the first aircraft landed on Hounslow Heath. During the talk you will see from photographs and information the enormous changes that have occurred over the years from a comparatively small enterprise to a vast and complex industry that it is today! Our much-loved member Gio Corno makes his debut as a speaker sharing his knowledge of how Heathrow has grown from its humble beginnings.

### **12<sup>th</sup> November : Oh What a Lovely War (“Songs, a few battles and some jokes.”)**

One day after the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of 'the Great War', we will use the power of story, humour and song to commemorate this landmark. Later this month, Thorpe Players will be staging Joan Littlewood's iconic musical Oh What A Lovely War - the original 1963 production of which is reputed to have changed views on the war by counterpointing jaunty songs and hideous battle statistics. During this session, we will explore the story of how the show came to be and how it changed our view of WWI. You will also hear how it compares to the reality of some of the key battles and cast members will entertain you with excerpts from the show.

### **26<sup>th</sup> November – Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival**

Celebrated in China and Vietnam, the 'Moon Festival' roughly equates to our own Harvest Festival and is the second biggest traditional Chinese holiday season after the Chinese New Year. In Hong Kong, you can watch the fire dragon and lion dances, enjoy festival food and drinks, find festival related sales and encounter crowds of shoppers and tourists on holiday.

Fresh from celebrating her own festival in Hong Kong, Tea and Talk member Kym will recreate the experience at Thorpe Village Hall. Along with lanterns, Chinese tea and samples of festival delicacy 'mooncake', Kym will introduce us to her proud traditions and even share a family fairy tale. Don't miss this opportunity to experience an authentic Chinese festival.

### **12<sup>th</sup> December: Apollo 8 and the 50th Anniversary of Man's First Visit to the Moon**

Apollo 8 was launched from Cape Kennedy on 21st December 1968, the first of two rehearsals before Apollo 11 landed on the lunar surface in July 1969. Led by local historian Richard Williams and using postage stamps, philatelic material and photos, the talk will chart the rapid progress made in manned spaceflight by the Soviet Union and the United States of America in just 7 years.



# St Mary's Church, Thorpe

Autumn 2018

## Quarterly News

CHARITY NO: 1176929

**Welcome** *St Mary's Church is at the heart of Thorpe Village in Church Approach beside TESIS England off Coldharbour Lane. Our Village Church has been a central presence for Thorpe and surrounding communities since early medieval times and continues to offer a very warm welcome for all. Behind the historic Church is the Rutherwyke Room and our **Church Café**. We are known for our hospitality and we look forward to you visiting us for worship and your special occasion soon.*



A Message from the Revd Damian Miles, our Vicar.

As we enter the Autumn season, following such a hot summer, our thoughts turn to harvest and giving thanks for all that we have to eat and share. Harvest festivities have their origin in the worship of the Church and life of a rural community like Thorpe. Back in 1843 the first formal Harvest Festival Sunday took place, but before then Harvest was celebrated at the

beginning of August and was called **Lammas**, meaning '**Loaf Mass**'. Farmers made loaves of bread from the new wheat crop for their local church. These were then used as **Communion bread, in thanksgiving to God** for the harvest. This custom formally ended when Henry VIII broke away from the Roman Catholic Church, although at St Mary's we have our own Lammas loaf, on display every harvest. Giving thanks for all that we have, not least the food we enjoy, is very important and you are invited to St Mary's as part of this year's celebration on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 8, 10 or 11:30am, when we will remember those less fortunate than ourselves by collecting canned and other goods for Runnymede Foodbank and pasta for White Lodge. Also, this Autumn our Emmaus group will explore themes of thankfulness, forgiveness and love. Why don't you join in the journey? Wednesday evenings, 7:30pm. With every blessing this Autumn from your friend and parish priest, Father Damian Miles



Would you like to know about Christianity or do you have questions about faith?  
Do you have questions about life, bereavement, heaven and much more?  
then... **EMMAUS AT ST MARY'S IS FOR YOU!**

**WHEN:** WEDNESDAY EVENINGS THIS AUTUMN **TIME:** 7:30 – 9pm

**WHERE:** ST MARY'S RUTHERWYKE ROOM - All Welcome – FREE – *Just come along!*  
*Car Parking at the Vicarage, Church Approach. All are welcome to join in the debate.*

## WEEKLY SERVICES AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE

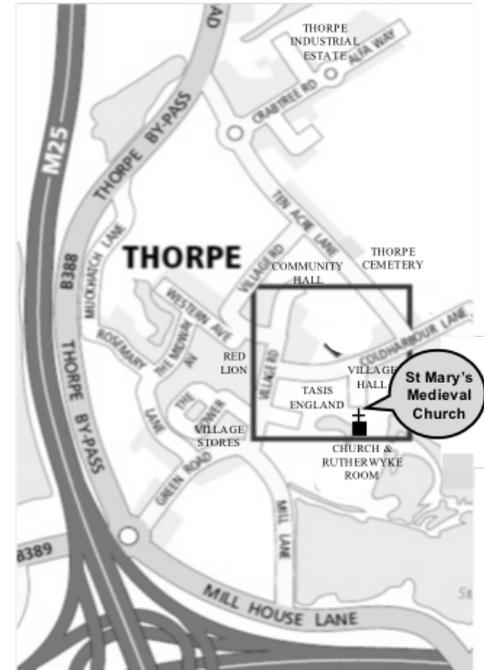
Sundays	8am Holy Communion (Said Eucharist) <b>10am Sung Parish Eucharist</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Sundays monthly	<b>11:30am Family Service</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday monthly	12noon Holy Baptisms
Wednesday	10:30am Said Eucharist
Thursday	7:30pm Said Eucharist

*Did you know St Mary's is just around the corner from you...?*

We serve Thorpe Village, Thorpe Lea, Thorpe Green, Chertsey Lane and surrounding communities.

Visit our church website for more information about your local village church. [www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk](http://www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk)

*For support with planning a wedding, funerals at the crematorium, church and graveside, to have your child baptised (christened) or just to chat please contact Fr Damian Miles at St Mary's Vicarage on 01932 565986.*



### CAFÉ CHURCH IS OPEN – Saturday Mornings at St Mary's

**St Mary's Church is open for visitors every Saturday Morning 10am – 12noon.**  
**Drop in soon for home-made cake, fresh coffee and a chat.**

## HARVEST FESTIVAL BARN DANCE

**in St Mary's Church, Church Approach, Thorpe Village, TW20 8TQ**  
**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

*Supper served at 5:30pm (with children) and 7:30pm in the Rutherwyke Room, with set dancing from 6:30pm. Single ticket £13. Family Ticket £30. (2 adults & 2 children under 12) Contact Susi Thornton: 01784 433480 or email: [susi@thorntonclan.com](mailto:susi@thorntonclan.com) or Jenny Bright: 01932 560589*

*For parents with babies and toddlers. We meet in the Rutherwyke Room on Thursdays (term-time) 9:30am until 11:30am for songs, stories, play and toast! Please park at the Vicarage.*



**Come and help us sail**  
**Noah's Ark**

**CHURCH TOWER POINTING UPDATE...** Finally, after the long spell of hot weather, the re-pointing of the top of the Tower and patch and mend in other locations has been completed. Thank you to all who contributed towards this essential Tower repair work.

### Charity & Social Lunches in St Mary's Rutherwyke Room

*You are warmly invited to be a part of our bring & share social lunches which take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday monthly from 11.30am at St Mary's Rutherwyke Room, Thorpe Village.*

Please note – There is no charity lunch in September

Wednesday 10th October from 11:30am – Harvest Festival Week Lunch – 12noon

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Charity Lunch from 11:30am.

*November Charity: TALK – helping people suffering from aphasia/dysphasia after stroke*

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AUTUMN 2018 @ ST MARY'S

## HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEKEND

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Barn Dance**

*in the church with supper - Tickets £13 per person or £30 per family.*

**HARVEST FESTIVAL SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> October**

8am Holy Communion

**10am Harvest Festival Eucharist / 11:30am Harvest Family Service**

*In celebration of Harvest we are collecting canned meat and tinned tomatoes*

*(not baked beans!), dried pasta, rice, biscuits and cereals in aid of our Harvest Charities: White Lodge & Runnymede Foodbank.*

**ALL SAINTS' DAY – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

**7pm Traditional Sung Festival Eucharist**

*(Incense will be used at this service.)*

*The service will be followed by a celebration meal at The Red Lion, Village Road, Thorpe.*

**ALL SOULS' DAY** *(Commemoration of the Faithful Departed)*

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 – 12noon**

*At this service the names of loved ones departed are read out. Please add names to the list which is on the welcome desk by the entrance to St Mary's.*

## REDEDICATION OF THORPE WAR MEMORIAL

*We welcome the Bishop of Guildford to perform the rededication of Thorpe War Memorial following important renovations and the addition of names.*

**SERVICE OF REDEDICATION AND MEMORIAL**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November 3pm in St Mary's Church Thorpe**

*with Thorpe School Choir and procession of lights to the Memorial*

**followed by the rededication at the War Memorial, Village Road, Thorpe.**

*Everyone is welcome. Rededication followed by refreshments in the Rutherwyke Room.*

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE – 11th November**

8am Said Holy Communion

**10am Community Service of Remembrance**

*At 10am we begin in St Mary's Church with a moving community time of worship and remembrance involving local Uniformed Organisations, followed by a procession along Coldharbour Lane and Village Road to Thorpe War*

*Memorial in time for the*

*Village Act of Witness at 11am. "We Will Remember Them."*

**SHOEBOX SUNDAY – Sunday 18th November**

**8am Holy Communion / 10am Sung Eucharist / 11:30am Family Service**

*Flatpack shoeboxes & instructions available at St Mary's now, or use a regular shoebox. (For more info on this charity project google "Operation Christmas Child".)*

*Drop off at any of the above services.*

**MEMORIAL SERVICE – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November – 6pm**

*A beautiful simple service of celebration as we remember and give thanks to God for those whom we love but see no longer, with prayers, music, readings, poetry and an opportunity to light a candle in memory of our loved ones departed.*

# St Mary's Café Church



## **Saturdays 10am – 12noon in St Mary's Rutherwyke Room**

*Drop in for tea, coffee, home-made cake and a chat  
in our new Thorpe Community Café!*

*(Find us behind the medieval church. Car parking at the Vicarage next door.)*

*The church is also open for visitors and prayer.*

### **From St Mary's Church Registers June, July & August 2018:**

**Baptism:** 24/06 Amber Reeves; 27/7 Arran John McGregor; 27/7 Joshua John Hickmott; 12/8 Edison Samuel Graham Turner; 26/8 Ella Rose Griffiths; 26/8 Rory Paul Kirby. **Weddings:** 30/6 Leo Christopher George Pigott & Gemma Louise Curran. **Funerals:** 8/6 Muriel Eva Vialls; 12/6 Diane Walker; 28/6 Stephanie Jeanne Carter; 31/7 Alan John Tubb; 14/8 Aleksey Igoreveck Kijuhov.

*Back by popular demand: **WINTER WONDERLAND** Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December.  
Stalls and entertainment from 2pm. Christingle Service 4pm. BBQ & mulled wine.*

*Plan your Christmas lights now and take part in our competition this year!  
Application forms available from [www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk](http://www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk) November 1<sup>st</sup>.*

So, Summer disappears in a flurry of sunny days and Women's suffrage celebrations. We performed our contribution to this, *The Cross Factor*, at Egham and Chertsey (twice!) and some people even watched us. We then had a well-earned summer break, with BBQ, and now start the Autumn refreshed.



Which brings us to the main event of this season - *Oh What a Lovely War*. Part of Runnymede Remembered across the borough, this is a show which celebrates not the First World War, but the songs and the people of that war. Call it skitting, satire, musical or comedy, it is an entertainment that cannot be ignored and that everyone can enjoy. The details are in the advert, or see our website, and tickets are selling already!

Valerie Lane, Chairman



LOTTERY FUNDED

**Oh  
What a Lovely  
War**

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> to Sat 24<sup>th</sup>  
November 2018  
at 8pm, bar opens 7.30pm

Tickets £10  
Box Office: 07923 583295  
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online via www.thorpeplayers.co.uk

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