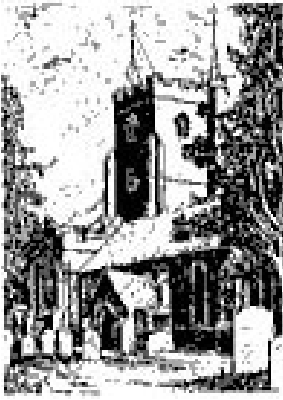


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with
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Please contact Andrew Plested as above

CALENDAR

Services and Events in October 2023

Sun	1	Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity DEDICATION FESTIVAL 10.30 THE EUCHARIST
Mon	2	19.30 Christian Meditation Course
Wed	4	11.00 Lectio Divina & Silent Prayer
Thu	5	10.30 Holy Communion
Sun	8	Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity HARVEST FESTIVAL 10.30 Harvest Festival Eucharist with CHILDREN'S CHURCH 12.30 Shared Lunch
Mon	9	19.30 Christian Meditation Course
Wed	11	11.00 Lectio Divina & Silent Prayer 14.00 St Eanswythe's School Harvest Festival
Thu	12	10.30 Holy Communion 19.00 Andre Braga-Verissimo - Sound Meditations
Fri	13	19.00 Friends of St M&E Quiz Night
Sat	14	11.00 Ukrainian Hospitality
Sun	15	Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity 10.30 THE EUCHARIST
Mon	16	19.30 Christian Meditation Course
Wed	18	9.30 St Mary's School Harvest Service 11.00 Lectio Divina & Silent Prayer
Thu	19	10.30 Holy Communion
Sun	22	Twentieth Sunday after Trinity 10.30 THE EUCHARIST
Mon	23	19.30 Christian Meditation Course
Wed	25	11.00 Lectio Divina & Silent Prayer
Thu	26	10.30 Holy Communion
Sun	29	Last Sunday after Trinity BIBLE SUNDAY 10.30 THE EUCHARIST
Mon	30	19.30 Christian Meditation Course
<u>November</u>		
Wed	1	11.00 Lectio Divina & Silent Prayer
Thu	2	10.30 Holy Communion
Sun	5	Fourth Sunday before Advent ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

From the Parish Registers

Marriage
August

Those whom God has joined together
Arron Mynard and Carly Ciantar



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We are grateful to the Headteacher of St Eanswythe's School for allowing us to use the school playground as a car park on Sundays and on other occasions. In order to protect the school's security, the gates will now be locked on Sunday morning at 10.25 and opened when the service is finished. On other occasions the gates will be locked 5 minutes before the service or concert begins and opened immediately afterwards. Parking permits for Sunday services are available from the Churchwardens.

Thank you for your co-operation.

The church is now open for private prayer. The schedule is:

- 11.00-13.00 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

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The **Woodward Hall** is available for hire for Wedding Receptions, Family Parties, Club Meetings etc.

Details from Tracy Arnold at St Eanswythe's School on 01303 255516 during school hours



Priest's Letter

From Father John

Dear Friends

I want to share with you some news about my future. Just a few days before writing this I made the decision to retire from ministry shortly after my 66th birthday (16 April). My last day as Priest-in-Charge of St Mary and St Eanswythe will be 30 April 2024. I will retire to my Welsh cottage. I will walk, read and write, and offer spiritual direction.

As you may know, I could have stayed until the end of January 2025. There are a number of reasons why I've decided to go 9 months early but the main reason is health. I've never really recovered from my bad bout with Covid 18 months ago. Ever since then I've lacked energy, feeling exhausted much of the time for no good reason. I don't feel I'm doing the job justice. The brain fog has been bad, too. I can't hold things in my head anymore, and I find myself embarrassed at forgetting things – important things sometimes!

So why am I telling you now, with another 7 months to go? Well, I believe in openness and that it's important to give everyone as much information as early as possible so that there's more time to plan for the future. The PCC were told on 25 September, and they will now be discussing the options for providing for the future ministry of the church with Archdeacon Darren and Bishop Rose.

Given all the difficulties of Covid and the financial challenges we face, the church community is in remarkable good shape! We have a fantastic team of leaders taking responsibility for every facet of church life, so that the vacancy will have much less of an impact than it otherwise would. And these last 7 months will see a number of projects come to completion. The Pastoral Care Team will be launched before the end of the year; our new heating system will be installed by then, too; and the new Reliquary should be built and commissioned before I retire.

Development of the Pilgrimage Centre will continue under the able leadership jointly of Dr Andrew Richardson and our own Jenny Coleman, and the Organ Restoration campaign will forge ahead under Malcolm's guidance, with the support of his action group. We are blessed with a wonderful administrator in Rosie; with excellent preachers and liturgical leadership in John and Vicky; and in an amazing Children's Church team under Clare's leadership.

So now, let's work together to bring as much to completion as possible, and to prepare for the next exciting phase in the life of this wonderful faith community. And let's pray now for the person whom God will call to lead that phase, and for those who will be involved in his or her appointment.

Every blessing

Fr John

The Bayle

With its charming little pastel houses and its inhabitants' glorious potted floral arrangements, one would be justified to think that some of London's Chelsea quaintness had somehow bled onto Folkestone. However, The Bayle is more than just pretty facades, it's also one of the oldest areas of Folkestone and the setting for the 13th century church of St. Mary and St. Eanswythe, which still holds the relics of St. Eanswythe, thus making it the only church in the country to hold the relics of the saint which it is named after. The churchyard itself is full of historic interest and, when bathed by that special early evening golden light that photographers like myself love so much, radiates such a beautiful atmosphere that you would have to be pathologically insensitive not to be moved by it

There is a lot of information out there about The Bayle and, for any passionate history inclined mind, it is all very captivating - but, to be truthful, what initially attracted me to it was precisely its picturesque quaintness. The chocolate box houses, the little public garden with its historic pond, the floral display sponsored by the Bayle Residents Association, the incredibly cinematic feel of the churchyard when lit by that sublimating light I mentioned above, how could I not be inspired. I simply had to photograph the Bayle - repeatedly.

Very interestingly, when I first met Marketa Paletova (a well known, much loved and very hard working member of The Bayle Residents Association) I didn't know she lived in The Bayle. From our first introduction she has always been very kind to me and has shown genuine interest in my artistic endeavours and I remember musing that she would be an interesting and aesthetically pleasing subject to photograph. Eventually, I did photograph her, at her home - in The Bayle.

Aware that I am working on a large Folkestone portrait project (provisionally titled Once Upon A Tie in Folkestone), and eager to help, she suggested I met with Jenny Coleman - the remarkable creative and co-ordinating force behind most events at St. Eanswythe - for a portrait session. I must say that after having seen a phone snap of said lady I was very keen indeed - short white hair framing a distinguished and elegant face highlighted by the most luminous greeny-blue eyes. The session went marvellously well and I am thrilled with the resulting images.

Life certainly has a way of making things fit together in the most unexpected manner and, from that meeting, came the idea to do a preview display of my larger project with selected images focusing on The Bayle. This exhibition, Fragments of The Bayle, would be part of the 2023 St. Eanswythe Festival during which a new 'home' for the relics would be unveiled.

And so, like in all stories that were meant to be, I ended up displaying 12 images (an appropriate figure for a church) of my favourite Folkestone neighbourhood in a sacred space erected at the very heart of it. I always say that I love to sublimate my subjects when I photograph them... well I don't think anything could be more sublime than having some of my portraits exhibited in the home of England's earliest verified saint.

Olivier Tafforin



St Eanswythe's Festival Weekend

This year we managed to extend the weekend into a week of celebrations.

It started on Tuesday the 5th with the opening of Olivier Tafforin's exhibition 'Fragments of the Bayle' hanging in the Lady Chapel and featuring beautiful pictures of the Bayle and some portraits of people who live and work locally. (See Olivier's article).

On Wednesday the 7th our team gathered together to clean and polish the church ready for our Saturday activities. Tom very kindly put out the tables so that on Friday we were ready again to arrange the flowers, distribute our collection of Pre-loved objects on the tables and prepare as much as we could ready for Saturday.

And then on Saturday we all gathered to prepare the cake and coffee stall (some fantastic chocolate brownies, lemon drizzle, fruit, ginger cakes and Welsh cakes and flapjacks). All the stallholders arranged their beautiful wares on the tables and we were ready to go. And we had a beautiful model of the Bayle made by Clive to complement Olivier's exhibition.

Our beautiful Ukrainian girls sang a welcoming song, Father John opened the Festival and we all enjoyed a day of music (provided so expressively by Talika on her flute and Daisy on her violin) and more songs from our Ukrainian friends. It was a very hot day and I think our visitors were very happy to be in the cool of our beautiful church and spend time being together, listening to the music with a cup of coffee and delicious cake.

Our raffle was a great success and we had a special competition – guessing how many raisins there were in Catriona's Christmas cake. Jan Clarke was the lucky winner of the cake with a very close count winning by 11 raisins!

On Sunday we had a special service which included Children's church and a sermon from Reverend Andrew Sweeney. We all enjoyed even more cake and coffee.

We finished our celebrations on Tuesday the 12th with a special evening to unveil the design for the new Reliquary which will house St Eanswythe's bones. Dr Andrew Richardson and Judy Doherty provided us with fascinating insights into the church and the Kent royal family before the artist Sophie Hacker gave us an illuminating talk describing her initial thoughts and plans for her design.

It was a really happy and perfect celebration for our beloved saint and the money raised will be put into the Eanswythe Found fund for her new Reliquary.

Huge thanks to everyone who helped during the week – too many to name but let's just say Our Wonderful Team.

Jenny C

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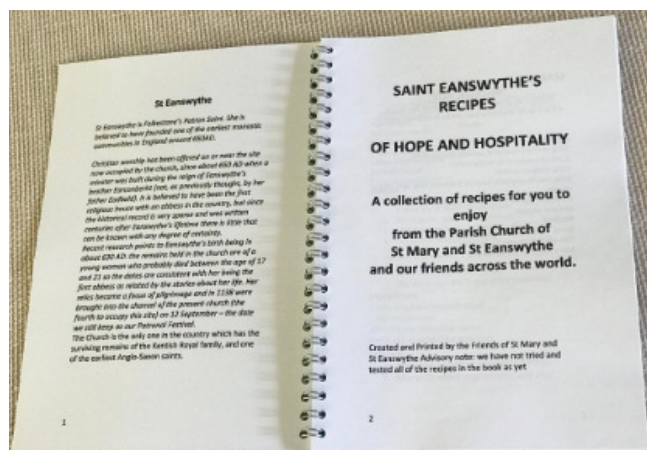
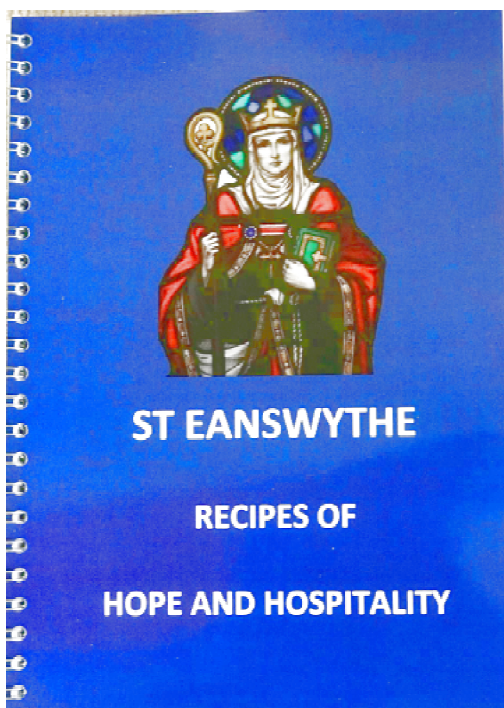
The Lady Chapel is now set apart for silent prayer and meditation on Wednesdays between 11 a.m. and 12 noon. Fr John will be there most Wednesdays, and has written a guide available to anyone who would like to explore this ancient Christian way of praying. You will be most welcome to join us.

Recipes of Hope and Hospitality and Notelets

A collection of recipes from members of the congregation and many friends. The Recipe Book is available at £5 per copy from the sales table by the main door, [please use the Donation Station for card payments](#) or put the money in the box.

Notelets are available at £5 per pack – all photographs taken by members of the congregation.

All proceeds are used to take care of the Fabric of the Church.





Bookworm – What Catriona Has Been Reading

A Single Thread - Tracy Chevalier (2019)

I absolutely loved this book and have no idea why I have allowed it to sit unread on my shelves for the past 4 years.

It's set in 1932, when all a girl had to look forward to was getting married and having children. I really liked Violet from the start. She's 38 and a spinster (horrible word). She's lonely, poor and hungry. Living in lodgings, having to work for a living as a typist on low wages, because she's a woman and nobody saw anything wrong with paying men more than women in those days.

This is a book about embroidery and bellringing, with lots of interesting technical details, and it's set mostly around Winchester cathedral. It's about life for single young women between the wars. The difficulty of being a single woman when there were not enough men after the first world war, and those that there were often had injuries and mental illness (what we know today as PTSD). Going to pubs was rather frowned upon if you were a single woman. Other women saw single women as a threat to their husbands, and married women had an unquestioned higher place in the hierarchy of women. There was the expectation that an unmarried daughter would look after her mother (which happened to all 3 of my great aunts), and women were expected to leave work when they got married.

It's also about forbidden love and scandalous relationships, about pragmatic solutions and grief, all in the years leading up to the second world war – none of which I can tell you about because it will give away too much of the plot.

There were several elements of the story that I could relate to, for example, my grandmother used to embroider church kneelers, my mum used to do bell ringing, and Chris and I walked between Winchester and Salisbury cathedrals many times as teenagers (though usually in the opposite direction, and never via Nether Wallop). This really was an excellent book, and I can't recommend it enough.

A Death In The Parish – The Reverend Richard Coles (2023)

I enjoyed this very much indeed. It's the second in the Canon Clement series, featuring Rector Daniel Clement and his parishioners. And you do have to read them in order as this one has lots of references to the previous book (and who got murdered, whodunnit etc.); although I am more interested in his gentle humour about the Church of England than the crime element (which is a bit too 'cosy crime' for me).

In this book Daniel's parish has been joined with the neighbouring parish of Upper and Lower Badsaddle, complete with a new vicar, whose theological views are about as different as you could get from Daniel's. There's some church politics thrown into the mix, and a gruesome murder (which Daniel and his Policeman friend set out to solve). Oh, and there are lots of Dachshunds too.

It was an easy and enjoyable read that will appeal to fans of cosy crime and/or those, like me, who like a bit of church humour.

Catriona Hunter

News From St Eanswythe's School



I am delighted to have this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Head teacher at St Eanswythe's school. My name is Claire Jacobs and I have been at St Eanswythe's since September 2019. I have been a class teacher since 1998 and then I moved up the ranks into senior leadership. It is a privilege to be Head teacher of this amazing school. The children, staff and parents make our school community a lovely place to be. I have had a very busy two weeks already. The whole school have enjoyed a walk in the sunshine along the Leas, Year 2 have been on a boat trip down at the Harbour and we have had a great service in the church on St

Eanswythe's Day. The school is in a great location and we love making the most of the local area. Inside the school, we have made several changes over the summer holiday. One major improvement is that we are now able to cook our school dinners on site and the children have enjoyed yummy school dinners. Ensuring the children are eating a healthy meal is so important. This week we welcome our youngest pupils as they begin their school journey. I have loved my first few weeks here as Head teacher and am very much looking forward to lots of exciting days ahead.



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St Mary and St Eanswythe



Children's Church



Sunday 8th October

JESUS,

PLEASE HELP US TO PRAY



Sunday 12th November

POPPIES.....



Extra Extra Extra Stir-Up Sunday

Sunday 26th November

We are going to make

BIRTHDAY CAKES FOR JESUS!



Sunday 10th December

CHRISTINGLE IN ADVENT



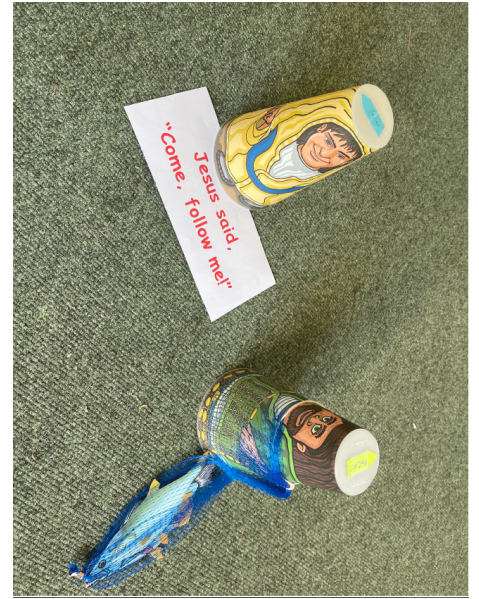
Children's Church begins in church at 10.30am.
We do hope you can join us for
singing,
making things,
learning about Jesus and much, much more!
To find out about it, ring Clare Tomlinson 07751 423 796

PS look out for our puzzles and colouring sheets in the Family Corner – there's a new one EVERY WEEK!

+ Children's Church 🥰

In Children's Church there was an unanimous "YES" when we asked the children if they enjoyed receiving invitations! Birthday party invitations are especially exciting for them! We heard about the wonderful invitation that Jesus gave to a fisherman called Simon. Jesus said, "Come, follow me" and Simon followed Jesus

Amazingly over 600 years later Princess Eanswythe, who lived here in Folkestone, heard Jesus say, "Come, follow me". Eanswythe followed in the footsteps of Jesus and helped the poor



Several of the children hopped onto footprints placed on the floor as we thought about how we can follow Jesus right now. Some suggestions are - be kind, pray, help others, dance, sing

Afterwards the children decorated a footprint to take home to remind them.

In church we held up a colourful timeline to help us see how long it was from when Jesus said, "Come, follow me" to when Eanswythe followed Jesus and how much longer it is from Eanswythe until now in 2023 when the children of Folkestone are also following Jesus!

Sue Bauhahn



QUIZ NIGHT

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And for those who are very observant, the tiled flooring shown in the church on the poster is exactly the same as our Tower and Chancel flooring.

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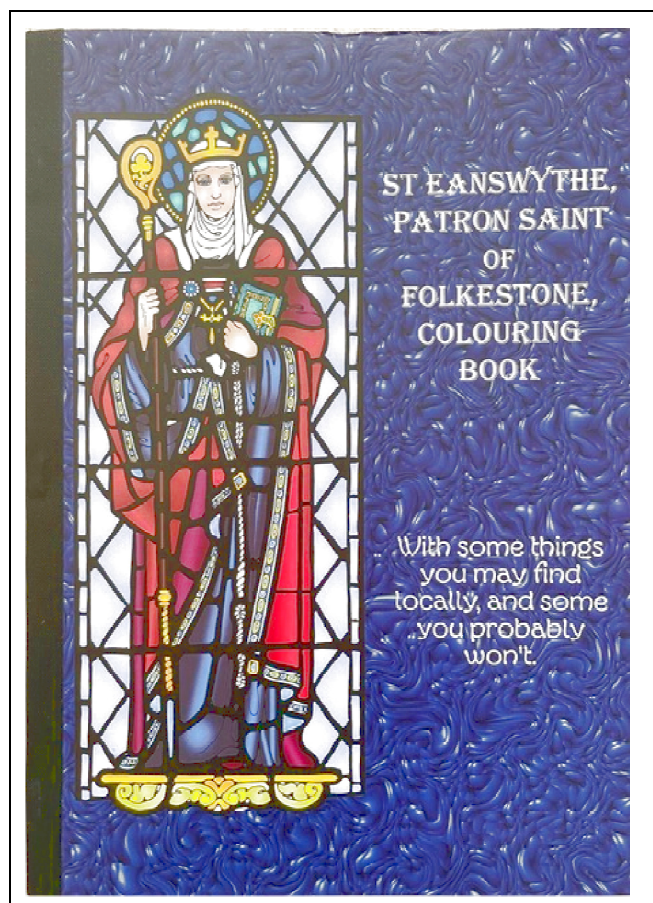
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St Eanswythe, Patron Saint of Folkestone, Colouring Book

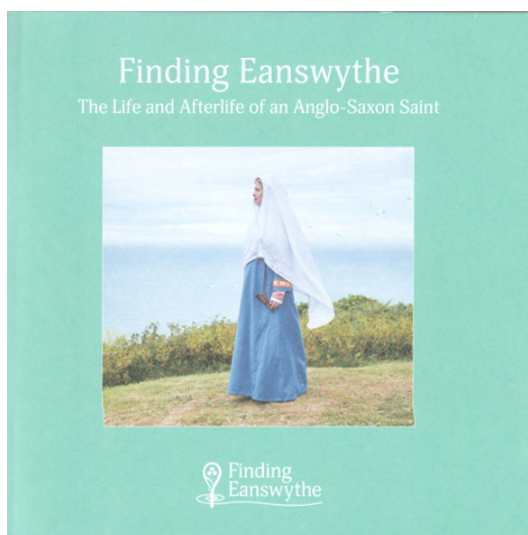
Once upon a time, not so long ago, when Marilyn and Catriona were on church welcoming duty, a father and his two young daughters came into the church. The girls wanted to do some colouring, but although there were plenty of crayons in the children's corner, there was nothing for them to colour in. This was how the idea for a St Eanswythe colouring book came about.

We have worked with local artist, Dandi Palmer, to create a beautiful colouring book with 40 varied pictures and something for all ages. We hope that it will give a true feeling of what you may be able to see in and around the church. You'll find pictures of St Eanswythe, the Reverend David Railton MC, the church organ, various plants and animals that you might find inside the church or in the churchyard, even the church mouse and one of the spiders. Though please forgive us our artistic licence over the likes of the kingfisher.

We are grateful to Rendezvous magazine for sponsoring the printing of the colouring book. You can buy the book at the sales table for **£5**, which we are sure you will agree is very good value indeed. Even if colouring isn't your 'thing', this is a book you will want for your coffee table.



Finding Eanswythe



Whilst the Finding Eanswythe Project has come to a conclusion, the working group will continue with their research. This book covers the findings over the six-year programme with a series of essays covering such topics as The Legend of St Eanswythe, A Minster in the early Mediaeval Landscape, Minster to Priory, Folkestone and the English Reformation, St Eanswythe's Water, St Eanswythe's Chapel, Matthew Woodward and Eanswythe Found. All by various members of the Research Group.

This 54 page book is available from our sales table priced at **£5**.

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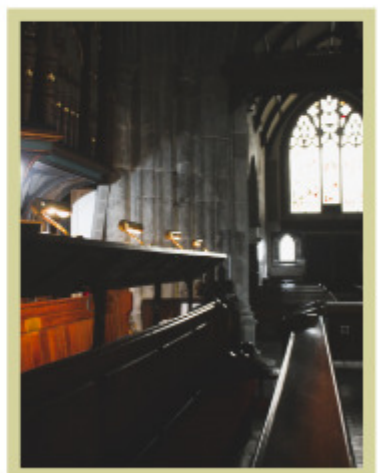
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October Sunday Eucharist and Red Letter Day Gospels

Sunday 1 October 17th after Trinity – Matthew 21.23-32

‘Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things’.

Sunday 8 October 18th after Trinity – Matthew 21.33-46

‘The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruit of the kingdom’.

Sunday 15 October 19th after Trinity – Matthew 22.1-14

‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’

Sunday 22 October 20th after Trinity – Matthew 22.15-22

‘Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites?’

Sunday 29 October Last Sunday after Trinity - Matthew 22.34-46

‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

Red Letter Days

Wednesday 18 October Luke the Evangelist - Luke 10.1-9

‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.’

Saturday 28 October Simon and Jude, Apostles – John 15. 17-27

‘Remember the word that I said to you, “Servants are not greater than their master.” If they persecute me they will persecute you; if they keep my word, they will keep yours also.’

The Friends of St Mary & St Eanswythe

The Friends of St Mary and St Eanswythe were formed in 2014. The Friends are dedicated to the preservation of St Mary and St Eanswythe's church as a place of Christian worship and a focal point of historical interest for residents and visitors to Folkestone. All funds raised are devoted to the upkeep of the building and to the furtherance of public understanding of its history, architecture, and significance.

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The New Reliquary for St Eanswythe

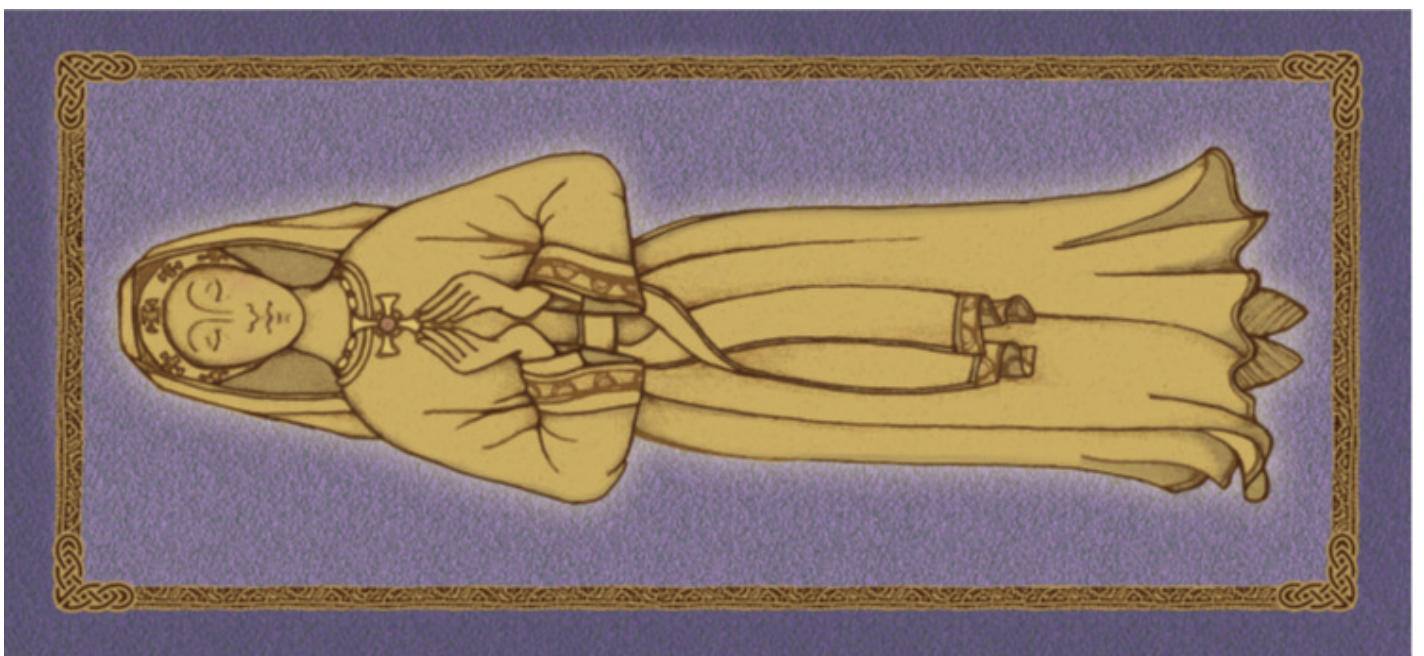
The winning design for the new Reliquary was revealed on St Eanswythe's Day, September 12th. The Reliquary is made of brass with laminated glass panels on the top, front and two sides. The design is printed on the filling of the 'sandwich'. The glass panels are opaque save for the front which has a lower opacity in the centre.



All text is in Runes with St Eanswythe on the front.

The left hand side panel depicts one of St Eanswythe's miracles, the flowing of water from the Downs to The Bayle via St Eanswythe's Water. There is a background of a mediaeval map of the area. The Runes spell out Miracle Water.

The right hand side panel depicts another of her miracles. A flock of geese stripped Eanswythe's fields of their produce, so she had them shut up in a house overnight. She released them in the morning, but they refused to fly away, for three of Eanswythe's servants had stolen one of them and eaten it. Eanswythe ordered her servants to produce the bones of the unfortunate goose, from which she was able to resurrect it. The Runes spell out Miracle Bird. The background is another map of the area.



The top panel is an image of St Eanswythe as she would have appeared during her brief lifetime.

The event launched a fundraising campaign for the Reliquary and the proposed Pilgrimage and Heritage scheme.

Commemoration of the Month

Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln

9 October

Robert Grosseteste (meaning '*large-head*') was born at Stradbroke in Suffolk in about 1175. He studied at Oxford and Paris and held various posts until, after a grave illness, he returned to Oxford, where he taught at the Franciscan house of studies. He became Bishop of Lincoln in 1235, then the largest English diocese, which received from him a thorough visitation soon after his arrival. He met opposition in his attempts at vigorous reforms in the shape of his dean and chapter in the cathedral at Lincoln, who saw themselves as beyond his jurisdiction. The affair was settled in 1245 when the pope issued a bull giving the bishop full power over the Chapter. Robert attended the Council of Lyons that year and also travelled to Rome a few years later. His wide-ranging interests covered mathematics, optics and many of the sciences; he translated large numbers of theological works from Greek and wrote his own theological commentaries and philosophical works. He died on this day in the year 1253.



Collect

Almighty God
the light of the faithful and shepherd of souls,
who set your servant, Robert, to be a bishop in the Church,
to feed your sheep by the word of Christ
and to guide them by good example:
give us grace to keep the faith of the Church
and to follow in the footsteps
 of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
one God, now and for ever.

Readings

OT - Malachi 2.5-7; NT – 1 Peter 5.1-4; Gospel – John 21.15-17

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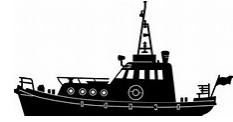
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Companions of Eanswythe – Holy Habits Part 1



Holy habits. Is this something ‘other people’ do? This is monks and nuns stuff, isn’t it? (Or as Steve put it, what monks and nuns *wear*). Well, in a word, no. As part of my involvement with the Companions of Eanswythe, I have been looking at the holy habits of the monastic traditions and seeing how they can be applied to our everyday lives, and I was surprised to find that the pursuit of new monasticism is not only a thing, it is a big thing. I hope to share with you the joys and richness of the holy habits and how we, as a church community, can use them to enrich and enliven our individual lives as well as our life as a community.

So, what are these ‘holy habits’ and why are they relevant to us? Holy habits are a way of adopting Christian missional discipleship in our everyday lives. There are ten holy habits, and these are based on Acts 2:42-47:

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home, and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.”

From this passage, the following ten holy habits are drawn: Biblical Teaching; Fellowship; Breaking Bread; Prayer; Sharing Resources; Serving; Eating Together; Gladness and Generosity; Worship; Making More Disciples.

Over the next few months, I plan to introduce you to each of these holy habits by writing a short article on each of them in turn, but not necessarily in the order given here. I would like to share with you how I plan to incorporate the holy habits into my life and how I hope that by doing so, I can contribute more fully to the life of our church community. This is a journey in missional discipleship, a journey that should be taken together. Will you join me? *Vicky Friedrich, Lay Reader in Training*



Music Notes

The next Bayle Music concert at The Grand will be **at 3 p.m. on Saturday 21 October**. It will be given by the Kosmos Ensemble – a trio of accomplished and exciting musicians:

Harriet Mackenzie-violin; Meg-Rosaleen Hamilton-violin and Miloš Milivojević-accordion. Their programme will present music from around the globe, improvisation, different musical flavours with unleashed virtuosity – clearly a concert not to be missed!

Tickets at £18 per head can be bought in advance by visiting the Ticketsource website: ticketsource.co.uk and search for Bayle Music or by using this QR Code



Children under 18 and full-time students are still admitted free.



The Kosmos Ensemble- www.kosmosensemble.com

Bayle Music New Season 2023-24 – ‘Music Every Month’

The new Bayle Music season starts on **SUNDAY 17 September 2023** at 3 pm at The Grand with **Tom Hancox** (flute) and **Rachel Wick** (harp) making a welcome return to our concerts.

The 2023-24 series then continues on **SATURDAYS** at 3 pm at The Grand and for the first time been extended to a full year with the June to September 2024 concerts taking place in Parish Church of St. Mary and St. Eanswythe in The Bayle.

As a result of rising costs admission we have reluctantly raised the admission to £18 per concert with children and students still admitted free of charge.

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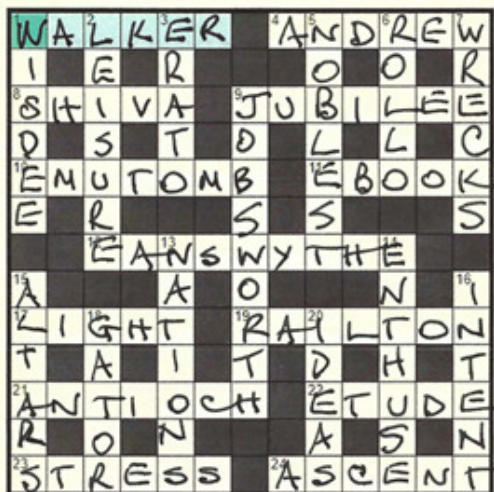
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- ☺ What do you call a line of men waiting to get haircuts? A barberqueue.
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