

## **Grovehill Church**

### of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 1st September 2024 - 7th September 2024

### Message from the Vicar

Here's one of the oldest jokes in the book! A Hotel Receptionist asks a man checking in to his room, if he has a good memory for faces? The man asks why, and the Receptionist says, "There isn't a shaving mirror in your bathroom!"

Prosopagnosia is the medical term for 'Face Blindness' – the inability to recognise faces, even your own, or interpret facial expressions. It sounds such a strange condition, but it exists. But in the letter written by James (possibly the brother of Jesus) he is using this extreme and unbelievable condition of looking in a mirror and then forgetting what you look like, as a way of saying that it should be just as unbelievable that we read and hear the words of Jesus and then forget them and do the absolute opposite!

James was challenging the behaviour of Christians who say one thing with their mouths but act out completely incompatible things by their behaviour. Sometimes we know when we are doing this because we feel guilty for behaving in a certain way or treating people with disrespect, but often we behave without thinking, as if our Sunday morning thinking hasn't seeped into the rest of our week.

I sometimes wonder, if we were arrested mid-week for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to arrest us?

Even Vicars aren't immune – if I took off my collar, would people still be able to guess my life and calling?

I am still a Christian on my day off!

### Prayer focus this week

Pray for all lives affected by fire especially residential.

Locally pray for New Church Hemel – Gadebridge area.

### This week's other News



# The Romans Course

Join us for a ten-session course to explore the Letter to the Romans and their new church, making sense of life. This course combines video teaching, group discussion, personal reflection and daily readings.

#### FRIDAYS 1.30PM

#### TUESDAYS 7.30PM · 10 September 6 September GOSPEL

13 September SIN · 17 September · 24 September 20 September SALVATION PEACE · 8 October 4 October • 11 October FREEDOM 22 October · 29 October 25 October HOPE · 5 November 1 November MYSTERY 12 November 8 November DEVOTION · 19 November 15 November COMMUNITY · 26 November · 22 November MISSION

All sessions will be in the Church Hall. Tuesday evening sessions will also be on Zoom. Email revaustin@sky.com for info' and Zoom Link

### **Dates for your Diary**

Commencing September for 10 sessions. Bible Society - The Romans Course See poster.

Sunday 8th September at 6:30pm Patronal Service at St Mary's Church, Old Town

Saturday 14th September at 6pm The Quiz at Grovehill Community Centre Tickets £11 - Includes a buffet meal. Bring your own drinks.

Tickets available from Grovehill Church or email: riedwards178@gmail.com

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### SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

### SUNDAY 1st September 2024 - Trinity 14

11am HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE with JUNIOR CHURCH

and ON FACEBOOK

Readings this week: James 1.17-27 Gospel Reading: Mark 7.1-8,14,15, 21-23

12pm REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE 3:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH



### **MONDAY to FRIDAY**

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM

**TUESDAY and FRIDAY** 

9:00am - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM

### **TUESDAY**

9:15am-11:45am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR PRACTICE IN CHURCH 7:30pm-9pm WHY'S MEN'S BIBLE AND CHAT GROUP ON ZOOM



#### WEDNESDAY

12noon-1pm LADIES BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM

7pm-7:30pm SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION IN CHURCH





#### **THURSDAY**

1:00pm-2:45pm STICKY FINGERS TODDLER CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL



### **FRIDAY**

1:30pm-3pm THE ROMANS COURSE – SESSION 1 IN CHURCH HALL

3:30pm-4:30pm AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY SERVICE IN CHURCH

FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN AND THEIR

YOUNGER SIBLINGS WITH THEIR PARENTS OR CARERS



#### **SATURDAY**

10:00am-12noon DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL

### **Next Sunday 8th September - Trinity 15**

11:00am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK

Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx.

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE

6:30pm PATRONAL SERVICE at ST MARY'S CHURCH, OLD TOWN

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