

# JULY IN CHRIST CHURCH

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## **Worship in July at Christ Church**

- 7<sup>th</sup> July**            **10.30am Holy Communion**  
with The Revd Alex Grubb and Canon Muriel Pargeter
- 7<sup>th</sup> July**            **6pm BCP Evensong** with The Revd Roger Walker
- 11<sup>th</sup> July**           **10.30am BCP Holy Communion**  
with The Revd Alex Grubb
- 14<sup>th</sup> July**           **10.30am Morning Prayer**  
with The Revd Roger Walker
- 21<sup>st</sup> July**           **10.30am Holy Communion**  
with Derek Hansen and Canon Muriel Pargeter
- 21<sup>st</sup> July**           **6pm BCP Evensong**  
with The Revd Roger Walker
- 25<sup>th</sup> July**           **10.30am BCP Holy Communion**  
with The Revd Alex Grubb
- 28<sup>th</sup> July**           **10.30am Morning Prayer**  
with Derek Hansen for Sea Sunday



**Come and join in with our regular events**  
**in Christ Church**

**Tuesdays 10.30 am to 12 noon:**  
**Open church with refreshments**



**Wednesdays 10.30 am to 12 noon,**  
**Open church with refreshments - donations accepted in aid of missions. Hand-made greetings cards for sale.**

**Thursdays 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm:** come and enjoy a chat over a cuppa – if you are so inclined, why not join in the “Knit & Natter” group, bring your knitting, crochet or crafts or... simply come and enjoy fellowship with friends!



**Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday** – Mayor Hazel Thorpe is sometimes available to listen and give advice

**Every Third Thursday at 2.30pm**

**The Rainbow Poetry Group meets in the church**



**Coffee on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each**  
**month**



**10.30 am to noon**

# Dates for your diary!

## *Concerts...*

**Tuesday 24th September 2019 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

The Barber Shop Quartet, '4 in a Bar', will perform

**Tuesday 15th October 2019 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

We welcome back Richard Bowen  
who will give a classical guitar recital

**Tuesday 29th October 2019 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

"A little Light Music" – Dorothy, Jan, Miles and Morag

**Tuesday 19th November 2019 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

John Wickens Musical concert

**Tuesday 21st January 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Paul Gregory [Cello], Marielle Way [Flute] and Yoko Ono [piano]

**Tuesday 21st April 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Martin Smith [Euphonium] and Chris Coote [piano]

**Tuesday 5th May 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Yoko Ono Piano recital

**Tuesday 16th June 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

John Collins Organ recital

**Tuesday 22nd September 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Richard Bowen classical guitar recital

## **Talks...**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September – 12.30pm to 1.30pm**

We welcome back Caroline Nicholls – High Sheriff of West Sussex who will  
talk about her year in office

**Saturday 23rd November 2019 10.30am to 12 noon**

**Christmas Mini market**

**5th – 29th December 2019**

**Annual Christmas Tree Festival**



## *Poet's Corner*

### Give Thanks!

How quickly fades life's goodness out of sight,  
While mem'ry lingers longest with the blight,  
Appreciation vent,  
Ingratitude lament,  
Fill giver and receiver with delight!

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### New Dawn!

**New challenges appear with every Dawn,  
Lost opportunities let no one mourn,  
However bleak the past,  
Our attitudes recast,  
To those who trust new promises are borne!**

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# Rainbow Poetry at Christ Church

## Topic

18th July                      Simon Armitage, (Poet laureate)

15th August                  Summer Sports

**Meetings at 2.30pm in the Organ vestry.**

**Bring any poem of your own, if you care to.**

**Admission Free. Membership available £4 p.a.**

Please enquire for similar meetings in  
Brighton and Shoreham

## BRAIN TEASERS

**What am I?**

I am taken from a mine and put in a wooden case from which I am never released, yet I'm used by almost everyone.

ANSWER: Graphite in a Pencil

**What is the next letter in this sequence?**

OTTFSS \_

ANSWER: F. (1234567.....8)

**What am I?**

I am made up of 12 individual characters but can be made with one key

ANSWER: Question Mark ?

Thanks Barbara!



## QUOTES FOR LIFE – *Thank you Dorothy!*



It's not how far you fall, but how high you aim

Don't be afraid to take big steps. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps.

What matters is not the size of the dog in the fight but the size of the fight in the dog.

Aim at the sun and you may not reach it, but your arrow will fly far higher than if you aimed at an object on a level with yourself.

Challenges can be stepping-stones or stumbling blocks. It's just a matter of how you view them.

Contentment makes poor men rich; discontentment makes rich men poor.

Education is what survives when what has been learnt has been forgotten.

Success is getting what you want. Happiness is liking what you get!



*Picture courtesy of Graham Wingfield*

### *Treasure from the Tower!*

*Whilst escorting visitors up the 111 steps to the top of the Christ Church Tower, where amazing views can be seen across Sussex, the following booklet was discovered. The editor felt it was an interesting piece of history that we should share....*

Christ Church, Worthing

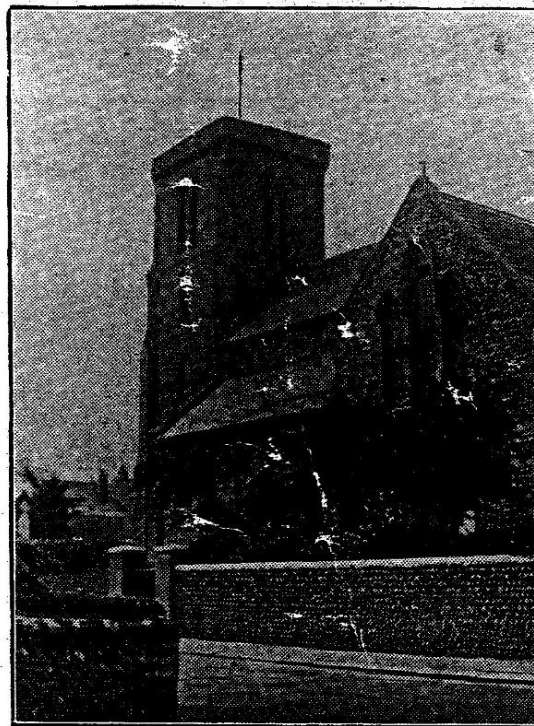
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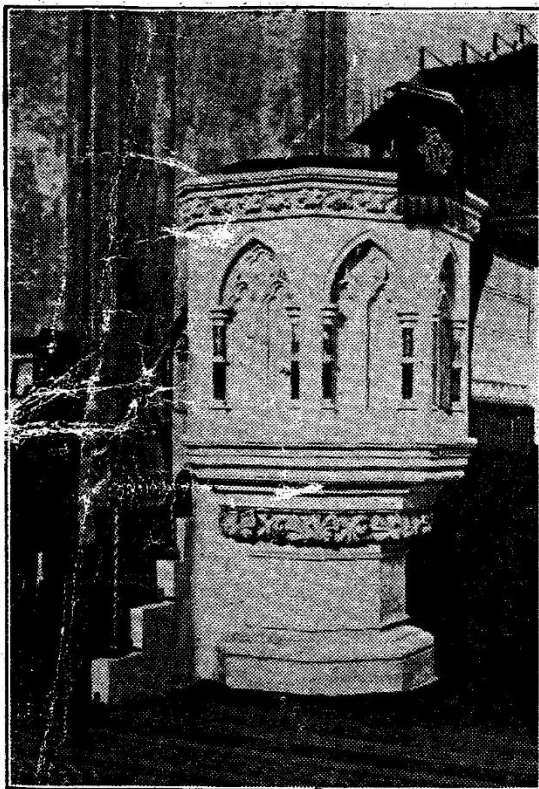
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## FOREWORD

Dear Friend,

In sending out this Souvenir Programme of the Centenary year of the consecration of Christ Church, we invite your prayerful and practical interest.

You will see as you read the contents of our "Souvenir" that they cover arrangements for a full week.

If, therefore, you are unable to attend on every occasion, there will be scope for you to choose a favourable opportunity.

Our Church Council considers that the Centenary of Christ Church should have the goodwill and active support of its own members as well as of other Churches in the town, because of its unwavering stand, during the past one hundred years, for the authority of the Holy Bible as the Word of God, and no less for those fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith forming the basis of our Prayer-Book.

It will be much regretted that, owing to serious illness, the previous Vicar of Christ Church, the Rev. H. G. Edmonds, is unable to accept an invitation to take part in the week's proceedings. Let us pray that God may give him a full and speedy recovery.

Unity is strength. A bold front for the **Truth** is to-day's urgent need. Therefore, we call upon each one of you to do all that lies within your power to encourage the witness of Christ Church, not only by your personal help, but by rallying others to the Banner of the Lord, which by His grace Christ Church will ever uphold.

We count upon your help. Let us be "Workers together with Him!"

*Wm. Aug. Doherty*

Vicar.

## HISTORICAL NOTES

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**C**HURIST CHURCH was built by the Rev. Peter Wood, Rector of Broadwater in 1843. It was consecrated on September 21st, 1843. Galleries were fitted in the transepts in 1865-6 and the Church was thoroughly repaired, with alterations, in 1876.

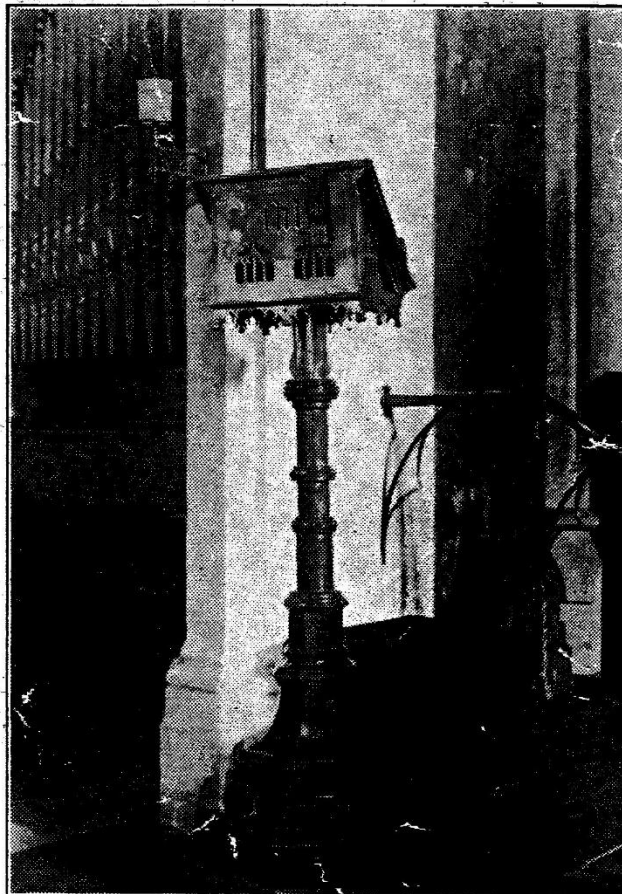
In 1893-4 further additions were made. The Vestry was enlarged, Organ Chamber built, and the Chancel Arch made loftier and wider. The Gallery at the west end was removed and Choir Stalls provided in the Chancel to accommodate the Choir previously seated in that Gallery.

In 1929 considerable work was done to beautify and enlarge the West Porch. This included oak doors and panelling in memory of the late Mr. C. E. Cæsar whose will provided for the cost of this work.

Much work now needs to be done and the present small endowment should be increased. It is hoped that liberal Centenary gifts and collections may enable something worthy to be done to meet these needs.

Collecting boxes and cards may be obtained by application at the Church, and the Churchwardens will gratefully acknowledge donations received.

It is hoped that many who for various reasons may not now be attending Christ Church Services, but who have reason to be grateful for earlier connection, may rally round to assist these Centenary aims and celebrations.



## PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

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Saturday,  
Sept. 18th

### PRELIMINARY PRAYER

6 p.m. Church.

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Sunday,  
Sept. 19th

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Morning Service and Sermon.

Preacher :

The Rev. W. Woodhams Denham, D.D.

3.15 p.m. Children's Service.

6.30 p.m. Evening Service, Sermon, The  
Lord's Supper.

Preacher :

The Rev. W. Woodhams Denham, D.D.



Monday,  
Sept. 20th

6 p.m.

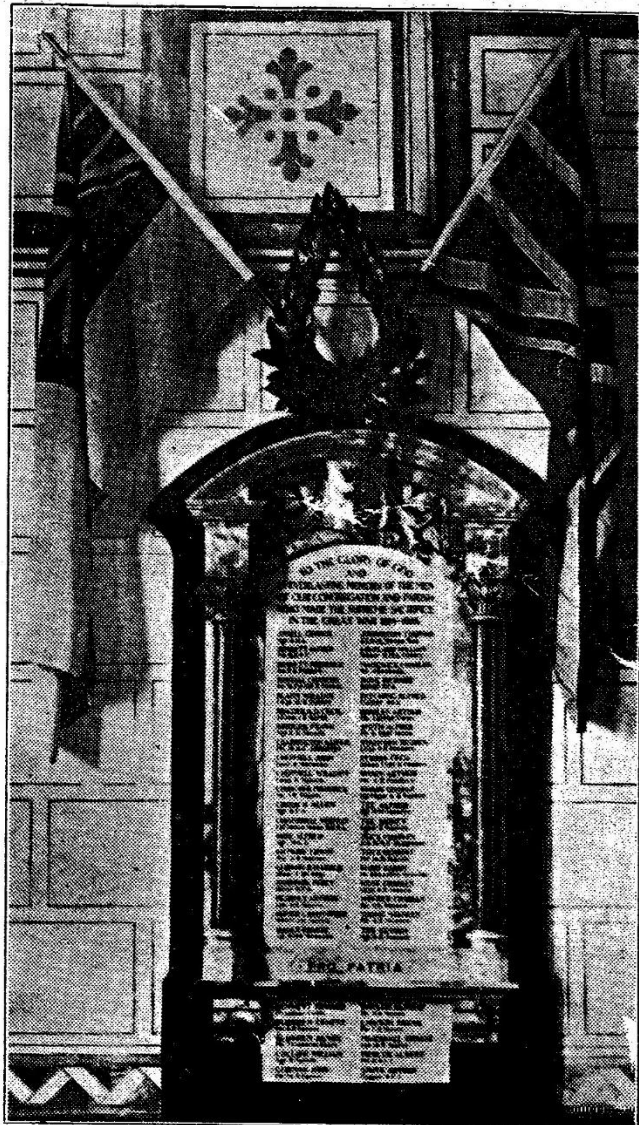
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especially for all  
on the Christ  
Church Prayer-  
Roll.

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Tuesday  
Sept. 21st

CENTENARY of the CONSECRATION  
of CHRIST CHURCH

11.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

6 p.m. Special Commemoration Service.  
Preacher: The Rev. B. C. Mowll, M.A., Rector  
of Broadwater and Patron of Christ Church.

Wednesday,  
Sept. 22nd

6 p.m.

## SERVICE of MUSIC

Hymn 580—"Praise, my soul, the King of heaven."  
Prayers.

Introductory Address—The Lord Bishop of Chichester, D.D.

### PART I.

Pianoforte Concerto in A minor ..... Grieg

*Allegro molto moderato*

*Adagio.*

*Allegro moderato molto e marcato.*

Solo Pianist : CONSTANCE MEDLEY, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M.

At the Organ : EDWIN BOWN, A.R.C.O. (CHM).

Hymn 558 — "Angel voices ever singing."

*(During the singing of this hymn a collection will be taken to meet the expenses of this service).*

### PART II.

Cantata—

"The Daughter of  
Jairus" ..... Stainer

*Soprano :*

Miss Maude Binstead

*Tenor :*

Mr. Alfred J. Lidbetter

*Bass :*

Mr. Fred'k C. Smith

AUGMENTED CHOIR.

*Organ :*

Mr. H. D. Hazell

*Piano :*

Miss G. Tuckett,

A.R.C.M.

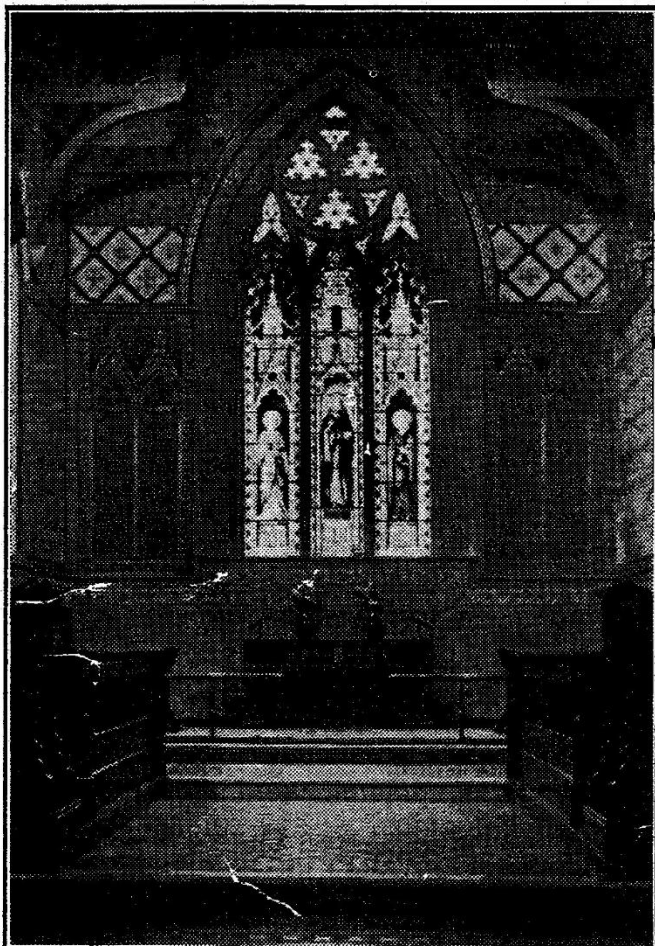
Mrs. Allen Engles'

String Players.

*Conductor :*

Edwin Bown, A.R.C.O.

Blessing.



Thursday,  
Sept. 23rd

MISSIONARY  
DAY.

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11.30 a.m. Holy  
Communion.  
Missionary Address



by the Rev. Archibald Glover, M.A., Author of  
"A Thousand Miles of Miracle in China."

4 p.m. Missionary Social Gathering  
To meet the Right Reverend G. F. B. Morris  
(Bishop, North Africa).                      Tea provided.

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Friday,  
Sept. 24th

7 p.m. CONGREGATIONAL SOCIAL  
EVENING.

Concert by the Worthing Boys' Choir.

Conducted by Mr. Francis Crute,

F.R.C.O., L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M.

A Welcome to the Rev. Ridley Chesterton.

Admission by programme 1/-. to be obtained from  
the Church Officials.                      Refreshments provided.



Saturday,  
Sept. 25th

UNITED PRAYER  
Church, 6 p.m.

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Sunday,  
Sept. 26th

**HARVEST THANKSGIVING  
GIFT-DAY**

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Morning Service and Sermon.

3 p.m. British Red Cross and St. John  
Ambulance Service.

6 p.m. Evening Service and Sermon.

Preacher: The Rev. E. W. Allworthy, M.A., Vicar of  
St. John's, King's Lynn. Formerly Curate of Christ  
Church.

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COLLECTIONS AT ALL MEETINGS.

Subscriptions will be gratefully received by the Vicar and  
the Churchwardens, Mr. W. S. Greenhill and Mr. G. F.  
Randell.

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List of Vicars

The following is a list of Vicars of Christ Church,

Rev. F. Cruse,	M.A.	1865-91
Rev. P. B. Power,	M.A.	1855-65
Rev. C. Hole,	LL.D.	1891-98
Canon W. B. Ferris		1898-1924
Rev. H.G. Edmonds,	L.Th.	1924-34
Rev. W. A. Doherty,	M.A.	1934-

**The road to the Victory is not a Straight Line....**

**There exists a Curve called Failure....**

**A Stretch called Confusion.....**

**a speed-hump called Difficulty....**

**and some Flat Tyres called Envy.**

**But if you have a Spare Tyre called Determination...**

**a Motor called Perseverance...**

**an Insurance called Faith...**

**and a driver called Jesus...**

**it's certain you will arrive at a place called "Success".**

*Original Brazilian text sent by Francieli Porfírio, translated by John Collins.*



## **J'S JOKE CORNER**

✚ I've stopped getting electric shocks whenever I touch metal.

*I'm ex-static!*

✚ What do you call fake spaghetti? *An im-pasta!*

✚ What do you call a snake on a building site? *A Boa constructor!*

✚ What did the coat say to the hanger?

*We should hang out sometime!*

✚ What do you call a rich elf? *Welfy*

✚ My son threw son cheddar at me. I thought "That's not very mature!!"

## THANK GOD FOR OUR WORLD

There has been a lot of concern in the public and the media recently about the state of the world. Global warming, rising extinction rates and the use, or misuse, of its limited resources have all been hot topics. The implied message is clear – the world does not appreciate as it should God’s generosity in creating the world he has given us. Yet we are all utterly dependent for our existence on what comes from the earth.

Where are we as a Church on this? Do we pay enough attention to thanking God for the gifts that come from the earth? It is true that, in the autumn, the Church celebrates the harvest. But what about the essential steps that necessarily precede it – the ploughing, the sowing and the tending?

I was reminded of this when I looked recently at the Diocesan Calendar entry for Sunday 26 May, headed the Sixth Sunday of Easter. But the corresponding Book of Common Prayer entry in the Calendar also makes reference to it being ‘Rogation Sunday’.

Rogation has pre-Christian origins, and the original purpose of the celebration was to seek divine protection against crop diseases, particularly wheat rust. With the introduction of the ceremony of ‘beating the bounds’ and the procession round the parish boundary led by minister, churchwardens and choir, it also became an opportunity to pray for divine protection for the parish in the coming year. But seeing it referred to solely in the BCP context left me with the impression that the Church saw it as rather rooted in the past.

Many years ago, the parish I was living in decided to revive the tradition of beating the bounds for a few years, and it proved popular for a number of reasons. First, it proved an excellent way to bring together those of the church community who had the stamina to walk about ten miles; their ages spanned nine decades. Second, people were interested, and in some cases surprised, to see precisely where the parish boundaries actually lay. Although a combination of railway infrastructure and golf courses kept us from always following the exact boundary, it was interesting to see the extent to which, even in a parish



constituted less than a century ago, natural boundaries such as streams played an important part.

Historically, there have been other church celebrations linked to the land. Plough Sunday, which formally dates from Victorian times but has much older antecedents, is traditionally held on the Sunday after Epiphany for the blessing of the land. It no longer makes the London Calendar, but is still celebrated in some places. Lammas, the offering at the start of August of the first fruits of the harvest to God, fell out of general use more than a century ago.

The Common Worship publication, *The Agricultural Year*, includes material for celebrating these and other agricultural events. Perhaps we should try to incorporate some of this in our services at the appropriate time of year to remind us of our dependence on the fruit of the land, and of the need to care for our environment.

*Christopher Ward*

## ***Christian Viewpoint's outing to Michelham Priory***

A group from Christ Church joined with other members of Christian Viewpoint for an outing to Michelham Priory in May.

Travelling from Worthing by coach, we stopped for refreshments at Paradise Park garden centre at Newhaven, then on to Michelham Priory, set in beautiful countryside near Hailsham in East Sussex.





Walking through the 14<sup>th</sup> century gatehouse, Mary, Doreen, Kathy and I decided to look around the picturesque gardens and strolled by the moat, seeking out the hidden statues and sculptures, only birdsong breaking the tranquillity.

Past the Smithy and on to the Watermill (which is in the process of being renovated) to watch a film of the mill in use; heading now to the café where we had a picnic lunch in the sunshine!

Later, we explored the house and learnt of its interesting history through the years from the 13<sup>th</sup> century. It was also used to accommodate evacuees during World War 2 in rather sparse bedrooms. From Augustinian canons, through the dissolution of monasteries in Tudor times, to country house and now used as a wedding and function venue.



We arrived back in Worthing at approximately 5pm after a most enjoyable day.



*Thank you Angela,  
Mary, Doreen and  
Kathy!*

## Anonymous Lament

“Several readers have sent me a popular anonymous lament which has turned up in various parish magazines, including one in Hounslow and another in a Staffordshire village.

It expresses much that people of all ages feel, so I quote it to delight and comfort those who share the same sense of loss – and thank all those who wrote in, knowing we would enjoy it.”

*‘They’ve brought you up to date, Lord, down at St. Cecilia’s.*

*They’ve pensioned off the organ and they’re praising with guitars.*

*They’ve done it for the young ones – ‘We want to draw them in’ –*

*But I DO wish they could worship without making such a din.*

*For I’m growing rather deaf Lord and when there’s all that noise,*

*It gets so very hard, Lord, to hear your loving voice.*

*They’ve written brand-new hymns, Lord, with tunes that I don’t know.*

*So I hardly ever sing now, though I did love singing so.*

*They’re very go-ahead there. They’re doing Series Three,*

*But the words are not so beautiful as the others used to be.*

*They’ve modernised the Bible, and the Lord’s Prayer and the Creed,*

*When the old ones were so perfect that they filled my every need.*

*My mind’s not quite so agile as it was some years ago,*

*And I miss the age-old beauty of the words I used to know.*

*It’s very clear to me Lord I’ve overstayed my time,*

*And I don’t take change so kindly as I did when in my prime.*

*But it can’t be very long now before I’m called above*

*And I know I’ll find Thee there Lord and glory in Thy love*

*So till then I’ll stick it out here though it’s not the same to me,*

*But while others call Thee YOU, Lord, do you mind if I say ‘Thee?’*

*Our thanks to Chris for passing this to us.*