

Christ Church Portsdown Parish News

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Portsdown Parish Centre - Project Update



We are now starting to make huge strides in making our development project a reality. The sort of changes needed, and possible, are now clear and supported by the parish. The PCC have agreed a works specification for changes to the interior of the church building and the Architect has been instructed to produce an outline design. The target is to attain an agreement on this outline design by June and work to achieve an agreed detailed design by the end of December; much consultation and decision making to go on in the meantime.

To enable the effective implementation and management of activities a detailed schedule is being prepared to take the project through to completion. This will be made available for all to see. Before we engage the building contractors, or order materials, until we have sufficient funds secure. Therefore the main emphasis now must be fundraising. Initiatives have been taken to further our ability to secure funds for the community aspects of this project estimated at £300k. This leaves the parish to secure the remaining £200k to meet our commitment. There is a lot to do in the next 18 months if we are to complete in 2008.

Sheila Gill and the Project Leadership Team

COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

14th - 20th MAY 2006

Christian Aid Week is seven amazing days of fundraising, prayer and action against global poverty.

Thanks to all those who gave money and time last year - our parish raised £2,500 which was wonderful! The national total was £15million which, coupled with nearly 100,000 votes for trade justice, had significant effect on the movement for poverty eradication.

Christian Aid

Contact us at parish.office@christchurchportsdown.org or 023 9237 9992

Parish Jumble Sale

Saturday 20th May
at 10:30 in
Christ Church
Parish Hall.

Horse Race Evening

Saturday 6th May '06 at 7.30pm

Christ Church Parish Hall

Admission by ticket - adults £3.00,
child £1.50, Family £7.50

Includes Cheese nibbles and race card
(please bring your own drinks)
Suitable for all ages - families especially.

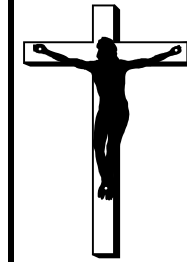
There will be a raffle
For details contact
June Tewsley

PROM PRAISE

at Portsmouth Guildhall

7.30 pm Saturday 29th April 2006

With Noel Tredinnick & the All Souls Orchestra,
the Prom Praise Choir & Heidi Pegler
Tickets £7.50 to £19.50



GOOD FRIDAY

Service of Witness

10:00 on 14th April

We meet at the church and walk carrying the Cross around the corner (under the bridge) onto Portsdown Hill for a **short service** on the grassy slope processing back to the church, for hot cross buns & coffee.

Do you have time ?

Giving time is just as important as giving money to the Parish ...

There are many jobs to do to keep the Parish running and its often the same small group who pick up more than one Job ... cleaning, flowers, buildings and grounds maintenance, property management, computer work - the list is endless. If you can commit some time to support the Parish please talk to the Wardens who need **YOUR** help.

church.wardens@christchurchportsdown.org

Widley Wanderers

We have planned a series of short walks to complete a journey around the parish boundary

Leaving the Church car park at 2-15 pm .

23rd April Church to Golf Club

30th April Church to Old Widley Church

Leaving the Purbrook Car park behind the shops starting at 2 -15 pm.

7th May Car park to Golf Club

14th May Car park to Old Widley Church

Co-ordinator Colin Dove.