

Mission Spotlight



Caring | Listening | Helping

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<http://brighton.streetpastors.org.uk/>



Mission Statement: Street Pastors is an inter-denominational Church response to urban problems, engaging with people on the streets to care, listen and dialogue.

History: Brighton & Hove Street Pastors held their first commissioning Service on 18th June 2010 at St Paul's Church, West Street in Brighton with representatives and leaders from the church, Sussex Police, and Councillors and Officers from Brighton & Hove Council.

Current Activity: At present there are 24 Street Pastors from 14 different churches in the city who operate from St Paul's Church every Friday and at least one Saturday each month in teams of four, from 9pm till 2.30am. If you see us out one evening do say hello. We would love to meet you!

Impact: As a result of partnership with Sussex Police on Operation Marble (focused on nighttime economy) a significant reduction in violent crime leading to injury has been achieved when compared to the previous five years.

Ascension Support: £150 start-up gift given in 2011. In 2012 Churches Together in Patcham hosted a Street Pastors' commissioning service at All Saints' Church.

=THIS WEEK=

TODAY

10.00am Prayer in the lounge
10.30am Life to the Full: Total
Renewal - Jesus' Mission
Statement (Luke 4:14-30)

Wednesday - 7.30pm APCM
Thursday - 12.15pm Prayer
Time

Sunday 28 April

10.30am Life to the Full:
Overcoming darkness
(Luke 4:31-37)

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)

24 April 7.30pm
at All Saints Barn.

At our annual parochial church meeting we will be receiving reports from both churches and appointing officers. We have two spaces on the PCC (if you would like to nominate) and a vacancy for Deanery Synod. Olive will kindly stand again as Churchwarden. All are welcome to attend, and all ER members may vote. Please see the website for reports, forms and papers.



Saturday 4 May 9-12am

Ascension Diary

24 April: APCM - All Saints Barn
4 May: Church spring clean 9am
9 May Ascension Day Service
11-26 May: Ascension Arts
24 May: Magic of the Musicals
Sun 9 June: Long Lazy Day Away

AscensionArts

11-12, 18-19, 25-26 May 2013

14 artists, four spaces, three weekends, one purpose: "Earth, Sea & Sky". Celebrating God through the arts. Launch event on 10th May. Messy Art for children 11th May. Embroidery Workshop for children/families 18th May.



AUDIO MINISTRY.
Listen to a recent sermon online or request a copy.

'The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full.'
John 10v10

ARE YOU NEW OR VISITING? It's great to have you here. Please Get Connected by filling in a contact card.

FASHION SHOW & CLOTHES SALE Friday 26 April 7pm at Bishop Hannington Church Hove raising money for their building project. £5 entry at the door.

MARTLETTS HOSPICE.

Fundraising events coming up: Fri 14th June 'Midnight Walk', and 'Open Your Garden' this summer. Please see the flyers for more information.

OLIVE BURRAGE was the senior nurse at Coppercliffe Cancer Hospice (now Outlook House). She is very unwell at present and is currently at Threeways Nursing Home in Seaford. We pray for her peace at this time.

NEW ROTA. Please email the office with any Sundays you are away as we prepare the new rota for May - August.

WEEKLY TOPICS FOR PRAYER

- **Prayer by Streets (April):** Tongdean Ave, Dyke Rd Avenue
 - **For individuals:** Olive Burrage (Threeways Nursing Home, Seaford), Doris Porteous, Joan Reading.
 - **Zoom club and school ministry:** Friday mornings and lunchtime in school, classes, assemblies, and governorship.
 - **Poland:** for the radio broadcasts, the Looking for God website, and the counselling follow-up. For Henryk Krol & Peter Bye.
 - **Teachers:** and educators – for ability to inspire, and clarity to teach truth and for Christian teachers and educators.
 - **Gambian exchange:** for Paul, Abdullai and Elizabeth from Albion School, Banjul visiting Westdene Primary.
- Specific items for prayer may be emailed or phoned into the office.*

WE WELCOME Marion Judge and Matthew Lindenfelser who recently joined the Electoral Roll.

WEEKLY PRAYER TIME 45 mins each Thursday 12.15 (not fourth Thursdays) at 12 Fairview Rise to pray blessing on our communities
MONTHLY PRAYER GATHERING: for community, church, world.
2nd Mondays monthly @ church.

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Contact Us

- If you'd like someone to pray, or visit or for general enquiries or **hall hire** please contact our minister **Andy Bousfield** (day off Friday). ☎ 503926. 32 Fairview Rise, BN1 5GL
✉ andy@ascensionbrighton.org or Helen Shires (practical care coord.) ☎ 506970.
- If you have any items of news or prayer (before Thursday) please phone Andy or email
✉ office@ascensionbrighton.org
- Contact **Gareth Davies** for families related enquiries ☎ 973901 (wk) 07425 137408 (mob) or ✉ gareth@ascensionbrighton.org (day off Saturday)
- Contact **Olive Ridge** (churchwarden) for any other enquiries ☎ 502943 or
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The Ascension Church is in the parish of 'All Saints' Patcham' in the Anglican Diocese of Chichester. Vicar - Rev Andy Flowerday (552157) patcham.allsaints@yahoo.co.uk