



8th May 2022

TODAY – SUNDAY 8th May 2022

LED BY Mr. RICHARD SMITH

Next Sun 15th May, 11.00am

Banstead 5 Anniversary Service at St. Ann's

Sun 22nd May, 10.30am

Local Arrangement at the Drive Church

Sun 29th May, 10.30am

United Service at the URC

NEXT SUN 15th MAY, 11.00am – UNITED B5 SERVICE AT ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

There will be a United Banstead 5 service at St Ann's Church at 11.00 a.m.

This is to renew the Covenant between the 5 churches.

THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE at Banstead Methodist Church **on Sun the 15th May.**

TODAY, SUN 8th MAY, 8.30am – SCOUTS/ROTARY SPONSORED WALK

7th Banstead are completing the 2022 Rotary Sponsored Walk to raise money in memory of Owen, our lively, funny, caring and sensitive Assistant Beaver Scout Leader, who sadly passed away in June 2021, at the age of 21.

Owen was a much-loved scout leader and part of this Church community. He will forever be remembered for his sense of humour, infectious laugh, kindness, and particular love of cycling and guinea pigs! Part of the donation will go towards a memorial in Owen's name, such as a bench.

The remainder of the sponsorship money will be donated to Mind UK. We have chosen this charity because as a youth service, we are aware of the growing pressure on young people these days. We understand the importance of positive mental health, and we value the work that charities like MIND do in promoting this.

The Church expressed a wish to support a permanent memorial.

If anyone would like to join us we will be meeting on the Downs at Tattenham Corner at 08.30am on Sunday 8th May and walking the 8.5 mile route together.

It will take about 4 hours.

If you are unable to join us, but would still like to help, then please sponsor us by either making a donation online by **searching "Banstead Rotary Charity Walk 2022" and clicking on the "7th Banstead Charity Walk in memory of Owen Barber"** link, or alternatively, donations can be placed in the church collection box clearly marked for the scouts.

Blank envelopes are available at the back of the church. Your support will help us to make this happen – so please join us if you can!

Thank you - 7th Banstead Scout Group

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GIFT DAY FOR NEW SMALL HALL COOKER

At the last Church Council Meeting it was agreed to hold a Gift Day to offset the cost of a new electric cooker for the Small Hall Kitchen.

The old gas cooker was finally condemned at the last gas safety inspection, and the current gas regulations mean that continuing to have a gas cooker would not be viable even if we wanted to continue cooking with gas.

The replacement cooker has now been delivered and installed with a new electrical supply put in place.

Thank you to those who made contributions to the Gift Day last Sunday.

The very generous total of £306 was received.

Just in case there are some who missed the opportunity to donate last week, the Gift Day envelopes and gift box will be available for one more time this Sunday.

Thank you again for your support.

COVID - PRECAUTIONS

- 1. It has been decided that it is now safe enough to lift all restrictions relating to the wearing of masks including whilst singing.**
- 2. Understandably, some folk who still feel particularly vulnerable, will want to minimise their risk of infection by wearing masks.**

PLEASE CONTINUE TO BE AWARE OF THE VULNERABILITY OF ALL

7th BANSTEAD SCOUTS ON PARADE

All three sections returned this week after the Easter break. 7 shiny new Beavers joined us, in various states of bravery. All of them managed to stay for the whole session and there were no tears. However, when we sang our opening song ("I'm a little Beaver", to the tune of "I'm a little teapot"); one of the new

children was overheard to say "well, I DON'T like that!!". Maybe we'll be down to 6 next week, but fingers crossed he enjoyed the rest of the meeting.

Continuing the theme of bravery, we learned about the story of St George fighting the dragon. The Beavers quite liked the version we read, because it involved sacrificing girls, rather than all children!

We also practiced marching, ready for the parade on Sunday. The children took it very seriously and most of them managed to co-ordinate swinging the opposite arm and leg; but we gave up on starting off on the correct foot!

On parade day, we were blessed with fine weather. 10 of our Beavers arrived at the Horseshoe car park, ready to march down to All Saints for an outdoor service. We were very proud of them.

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They all arrived with polished shoes, smart trousers, and clean turquoise sweatshirts. A quick re-folding of their scarves by Julie finished off their smart appearance. (Julie is "scarf police" in our colony so I always remember to iron mine if I know she's coming!!).

The service went on a bit longer than usual because there were lots of awards that hadn't been given out during covid, but the Beavers were very well-behaved. And we were so pleased to see Matthew Young (ex-Beaver, now back as a young leader with 7th) receiving a special award: The Bentley Cup, presented for Scouting Endeavour. This can be presented to any Beaver, Cub or Scout or any leader in the district. Matthew was nominated by Janice.

This week, we are starting our Gardening badge. Look out for the boat garden coming back to life. **And a little plea....if any of you have any suitable plants that you could divide; or a few spare seeds or small plants**, we would be very grateful for any donations.

Thank you, *Tigger*
Liz Batten Beaver Scout Leader

TUES 24th MAY, 7.30PM – LECTURE, "THE CHALLENGE OF PAINTING CHRIST"
Title "The Problem of Painting Christ: strange responses to the greatest artistic challenge" by Dr Chloë Reddaway.

Venue: Trinity Church Sutton, Cheam Road, Sutton SM1 1DZ (opposite the Central Library)

Description:

The challenge of painting Christ is a uniquely complex one. How does one paint a figure who is fully human and fully divine in a meaningful way? In this lecture, Chloë Reddaway explores some of the extra-ordinary artistic responses with which Italian painters in the Renaissance met this challenge and takes a fresh look at well-known paintings of Christ, discovering how surprising and deeply 'strange' they can be.

Dr Chloë Reddaway is a researcher in the Centre for Arts and the Sacred at King's College London and McDonald Agape Theology and the Arts Research Associate at Duke University, NC. She is a former Howard and Roberta Ahmanson Fellow and Curator of Art and Religion at the National Gallery, London.

Tickets £5 available online or at the door or via **Website**
<https://www.trinitychurchsutton.org.uk/lecture>