

THE 2017 FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS & MUSIC

The theme of this year's Festival is *Rainbow Rhapsody*. It is organised by the Friends of St James the Great, Thorley who



by the Friends of St James the Great, Thorley who assist the Parochial Church Council in the maintenance of the Church and Churchyard. The Friends have funded numerous projects, including most recently the installation of new Church lighting and the redecoration of the interior of the Church. Having also raised the sum required to improve the Church heating system, we are now turning our attention to funding the creation of a new Garden of Remembrance in the Churchyard as the current one nears capacity, restoration work on the Bell Tower stairs and further work on the

Church.

The other fundraising events in the Friends' calendar are our Quiz Evening in February, a sale of plants in May, the provision of Sunday afternoon teas from the Church Room during the summer months, and an Autumn Craft Fair in November, with this year's being held on Saturday 4 November from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm.

For many years a team of volunteers from the Friends has been responsible for the upkeep of our beautiful Churchyard. The Friends also donate and maintain all the necessary equipment for this important activity. The Churchyard covers a whole acre of grass, paths, hedges and trees. This year has been particularly difficult with excessive grass growth due to the weather. We are especially grateful to our small band of dedicated helpers who rose to the challenge. We would welcome more volunteers to help look after this wonderful asset. There are a variety of jobs, something for everyone, mowing, strimming, pruning, sweeping etc. If you can spare an hour or two per month and are over 18, we would be pleased to hear from you. Please contact Margaret & Peter Morley on 01279 658766.

If you are not already a member of the Friends, why not join? If you would like an application form, or wish to make a donation in support of our work, please speak with one of the Stewards, or write to our Treasurer, Rosemary Jones, 4 Rowney Gardens, Sawbridgeworth, Herts, CM21 0AT. Alternatively you can e-mail the Chairman, Philip Hargrave, at friends.stjames@btinternet.com.

FLOWER SPONSORS

The Friends gratefully acknowledge sponsorships

By Gus Doyle

In memory of Ann

In memory of past friends

In memory of Marlene Aitken

In memory of much loved parents

Chris & Ken - in memory of our parents

Cherished memories of Peter and Alan

Remembering my husband Trevor Sharpe

In memory of Leonard, Daphne and David Lewin
In loving memory of my husband and parents, M.M.
In memory of Duilio Quaresima and Lizzie Quaresima
With happy memories of my parents Eva and Jack Patterson
and those by others who wish to remain anonymous.

In memory of Reg, Eileen, Roy and Gemma

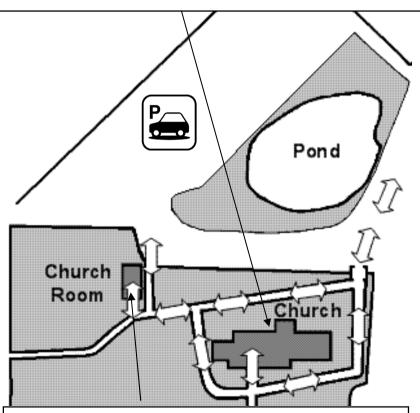
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Hadley Nurseries at Roydon Hamlet for supplying plants.

St James' Music Fellowship, Flower Arrangers from St James and the Herts & Essex Boundary Flower Club, Bell-ringers and all who have volunteered their services in support of the Festival.

In the Church

- Flower arrangements
- Music There will be Musical Moments throughout the Festival, times for which will be on display in the Church and St Barnabas Centre; Group Singing on Saturday starting at 2:30 pm and on Sunday starting at 4:15 pm; a Ukulele Band at 1:45 pm and a Woodwind Band at 3:00 pm on Sunday and The Big Sing on Monday starting at 4:00 pm
- Bell Chiming an opportunity to have a go on Monday 2:00 -4:30 pm

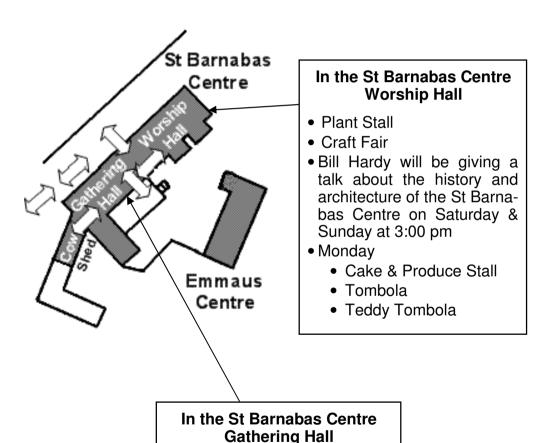


In the Church Room

 Prayer Ministry - Something on your mind? Worried? Feeling low? Prayer Ministry Team members are available to listen/ pray with you in the Church Room on Saturday and Sunday 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Services in the Church

- Holy Communion Sunday 10:00 am
- Festival Songs of Praise Sunday 6:00 pm, followed by tea & coffee in the St Barnabas Centre

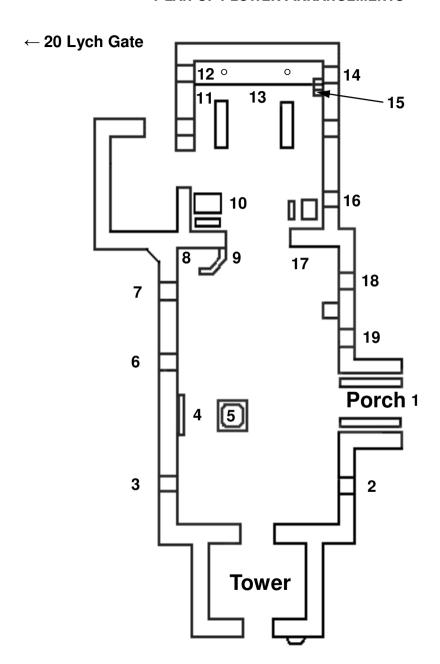


 Refreshments: Ploughman's Lunches 12 noon - 2:00 pm,

tea, coffee and cakes

Fair Trade Stall

PLAN OF FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS



The Arrangements

Rainbow Rhapsody

1	Rainbow	Rhapsody
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- 2 Purple Kingship
- 3 Purple Advent and Lent
- 4 War Memorial and Prayer Tree
- 5 Rainbow Rhapsody
- 6 Indigo an Ancient Dye
- 7 Blue Stormy Seas
- 8 Rainbow Brownies an Exhibit
- 9 Green Serenity
- 10 Golden Yellow
- 11 Orange represents Enthusiasm and Creativity
- 12 Red for Remembrance the Last Supper
- 13 The Rainbow God's Covenant to Noah
- 14 White Light the Light of Christ
- 15 Pentecost the Gift of the Holy Spirit
- 16 Yellow a Summer Picnic
- 17 Green an Oasis of Calm
- 18 Blue Sea and Skies Seaside
- 19 Indigo Trust and Stability
- 20 Lychgate Rainbow Rhapsody

Please feel free to move around and view arrangements during the musical items, including group performances.

FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

Daily

12 noon - 5:00 pm Flower Arrangements Church

Musical Items Church

Plants St Barnabas Centre
Refreshments St Barnabas Centre
Craft Fair St Barnabas Centre

Fair Trade Stall St Barnabas Centre

Saturday, 26th August

2:30 pm Group Singing Church 2:00 - 4:00 pm Prayer Ministry Church Room 3:00 pm Talk St Barnabas Centre

The History and Architecture of the St Barnabas Centre

Sunday, 27th August

10:00 am Holy Communion Church
1:45 pm Bishop's Stortford Ukulele Band Church
2:00 - 4:00 pm Prayer Ministry Church Room
3:00 pm Woodwind Band Church
3:00 pm St Barnabas Centre

The History and Architecture

of the St Barnabas Centre

4:15 pm Group Singing Church 6:00 pm Festival Songs of Praise Church

Monday, 28th August

12 noon - 4:00 pm Bottle & Teddy Tombolas St Barnabas Centre

and Cake & Produce Stall

2:00 - 4:30 pm Bell Chiming Church 4:00 pm The Big Sing Church

4:30 pm Raffle to be drawn St Barnabas Centre

General Information

Wheel-chair for loan in the St Barnabas Centre

Opportunity for donations in the Church

Thank you for your support