

*The Parish Magazine
of St Stephen's Church
Guernsey*



July 2025

When I chucked myself in the sea for my first swim of the year; I was so happy that I yelled to my friends, "Oh who would want to live anywhere else!?" It wasn't until later that one of them told me that there were some visitors on the beach listening. I was mortified because I thought that it sounded like I was showing off but apparently they were laughing;- thank goodness!



It got me thinking though of visitors in general and how we can help to make their Guernsey experience even more wonderful. I hope I am always polite and helpful to everybody but I make a special effort with holiday makers as I have heard many times that they have gone home saying that the islanders are so lovely and so gentle and kind and I want to add to that. This is a long and roundabout way of explaining why I chose this month's cover pic; the harbour is for many the first glimpse they have of their holiday home and it is a very beautiful and welcoming sight.

Talking of being mortified; our recent Mad hatter's tea party was a roaring success and I am here to tell you (and I know what I am talking about!) that the vicar is a brilliant actor! The whole afternoon was wonderful and enormous fun so congrats to all involved. But why were you mortified I hear you ask (well I hope you do and you haven't fallen asleep as I chunter on) the reason was that Fliss and I were the only two adults to make our mad hatter's hats for the competition. Now I know that you are used to the two of us acting the fool, but we did feel a tad awkward! So come on guys enter in;- it's fun!

There are many more events coming up so it should be a fun summer! Enjoy!

Love to you all as always
Nikki



**All contributions for the August magazine
will be gratefully received!!.**

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Sitting on a Bench



I recently had the opportunity to sit on a bench... that's it, nothing more than sitting on a bench and contemplating life. I was struck by how often this used to happen in the past, but now it seems like we seldom have the time to just sit.

It is amazing how quickly the brain suggests an inordinate amount of other options rather than being quiet and still. We appear to forgotten the skill required to just sit and be in the moment. It took a lot of effort not to look at my phone (in case anyone had messaged me in the last thirty seconds...) or to be busy listing items of importance in my mind. Slowly I began to notice the butterflies were out, there was a beautiful colour on the water, the breeze was gentle and smelled like a forgotten yet familiar scent. I could almost hear the traffic congestion chaos at the back of my mind as my thoughts piled into one another. And I slowly breathed out...

Our prayer life can sometimes feel exactly like this – that we don't have time, or that we are too busy, or that we will get around to it as soon as we can, or whatever. Very quickly our prayer life is limited to "arrow prayers" when we feel overwhelmed by the circumstances we find ourselves immersed in. These quick, "God help me" prayers are really cool, and really effective. They are a reminder though of something much deeper.

Jesus, we are told, would often go off by Himself to have quiet time with the Father, to recharge and reconnect. This is our example, the truth we should be following. Throughout His earthly life, Jesus was fighting against the forces of darkness that threaten us daily. These are some of the voices that demand we stay focused on our busyness and our supposed need to be doing something, anything. Jesus appealed to people because of the calm and peace He radiated, based in His love for God and for us.

Some people are fortunate enough to experience these moments of quiet stillness, and often come away from them feeling a deeper connection with the Divine. Some writers describe these as 'sacred space moments' or 'mountain top experiences'; they amount to stilling the noise and sitting in the presence of the One who creates us in love. This is precisely what the forces of darkness do not want, and so they fill our heads with so many distractions or pressing matters.

God yearns for us to have this intimate time with Him. In the Revelation according to St John, we hear the voice in heaven say, **"They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God."** (Revelation 21:3). Our future lies in this wonderful Kingdom where we are allowed to stay in the Divine presence and not just have these fleeting glimpses of it.

My prayer for all of us is that we would rediscover the power of sitting on a bench, and just allowing ourselves to be absorbed in the moment. May this time reconnect us with our divine calling and remind us that we are the beloved children of the loving God. And may this realisation stir us to open our hearts in thankfulness to the Almighty and to praise Him for all the many blessings that He has poured upon us.

God bless

Love Fr Joe

OLD NUN'S PRAYER



Lord, you know me better than I know myself
That I am growing older and one day will be old.
Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must
Say something on every subject
and on every occasion.

Release me from craving to
Straighten out everybody's affairs.
Make me thoughtful but not moody,
Helpful but not bossy.

With my vast store of wisdom
It seems a pity not to use it all;
But you know, Lord that I want a few friends at the end.
Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details,
Give me wings to get to the point.
Seal my lips on my aches and pains,
They are increasing and love of rehearsing
them
Is becoming sweeter as the years go by.
I dare not ask for grace enough
To enjoy the tales of others pains,
But help me to endure them with patience.



I dare not ask for improved memory,
but for growing humility and a lessening cocksureness
When my memory seems to clash with the memories of others.

Twelve Fruits of the Holy Spirit



Charity (Love)

Loving God and neighbor with selfless devotion

Joy

Deep gladness that comes from the Lord, not circumstances

Peace

Tranquility of heart rooted in trust in God

Patience

Calm endurance in the face of difficulty or delay

Kindness

Compassionate and thoughtful action toward others

Goodness

Moral uprightness and desire to do what is right

Generosity

Readiness to give of oneself in love and service

Gentleness

Softness of spirit and humility in word and deed

Faithfulness

Loyalty to God and commitment to His promises

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Self-control

Restraint over desires and impulses in favor of virtue

Chastity

Purity in mind and body in accordance with one's vocation





NERD CORNER



Philosophies of Nerdsville

'There is no such thing as failure just different ways of trying something until you find the correct one'

When we were learning to walk and we fell our parents didn't just say 'O well I guess she/he isn't going to be a walker!' No, in our little baby way we carried on experimenting with shifting our weight until we achieved balance and then practiced taking staggering steps. These faltering steps weren't considered failure just part of the learning process.

I don't know if any of you have seen the Disney film 'Meet the Robinsons' its an animation and to my mind its poignant and heartwarming. Of course this might have something to do with the fact that the main character is a Nerd. I'll try not to spoil it for those who haven't seen it, but it starts with a baby being left on the door step of an orphanage. The baby grows into a little boy (Lewis) who struggles to find his 'forever home'. This is principally because he is a very Nerdy little boy whose only focus in life is inventing things and, in the process of doing his experiments the subsequent disasters create havoc which no potential family can cope with. (Can you see where I'm going with this?)

In addition to struggling to find his forever home Lewis also becomes increasingly despondent with his failed attempts at his inventions. There is more to the story than that and, without giving too much away, later in the film he meets his future self and family. Anyway he was trying an experiment which failed and he looked terribly despondent however his 'future' self and family patted him on the back celebrating and congratulating him whole heartedly. 'Keep moving forward' they said.

In this context failure should be applauded because you can eliminate a way of doing something and move on to something different, it means you are one step closer to finding the perfect solutions. Of course this depends on you realising that and don't keep repeating the same thing over and over again in ever decreasing circles.... I'm not thinking of ~~me~~ (oops) anyone in particular of course. But certain similarities to the ever decreasing circles and my foray into setting up the continual ink supply system on my printer is purely coincidental.

Till next time Nerdlettes



WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN OUR

Friendship Lunch

TUESDAY 8 JULY 2025 AT 12PM

Menu

Quiche Lorraine or
Roasted Vegetable Parcels
with salad

Apricot & Orange Almond Torte
with cream & custard

Special dietary requirements catered for

RSVP: Jean Le Huray 01481 255 207

£10.00 pp



SAINT OF THE MONTH

ST GREGORY OF NYSSA

One of the three Cappadocian fathers of the Early Church (the other two being his brother, Basil of Caesarea, and his friend, Gregory of Nazianzus) St Gregory helped shape the Church and the monastic traditions in the 4th century.

They are best known for their continuation of the struggle against Arianism (which denied that Jesus was fully God).

St Gregory was not as good as his brother at administrative works, nor as influential as Gregory of Nazianzus, but he was a very good writer. Much of his work is what is expressed in our Nicene Creed, which reflects the truth found in Holy Scripture.

Gregory was one of nine or ten children (sources vary) born around 335, probably in or near the city of Neocaesarea, Pontus (modern day Niksar in Turkey). His parents were wealthy, aristocratic and Christian, having suffered persecution for their faith. He was educated initially, at least, by his mother and sister. It seems more likely that he continued his studies in Caesarea, where he read classical literature, philosophy and perhaps medicine. Unlike his brother, who became a hermit, Gregory began working as a rhetorician (studying the way people write and speak and form their arguments) and was a reader in the local church.

Around 355 he is known to have married a woman named Theosebia (although not much is known about her). Gregory was elected bishop of the newly created see of Nyssa in 372, presumably with the support of his brother Basil, who was metropolitan of Caesarea at that time. This was a difficult time in the Church in that area and Gregory was falsely accused of the embezzlement of church funds and irregular ordination of bishops. He was arrested and removed, but managed to escape and in 378 was restored as Bishop. He was outspoken and often was at odds with others around him (including his brother).

Gregory participated in the First Council of Constantinople (381), and it was there that he is rumoured to have given his now famous sermon *In suam ordinationem* (In His Ordination). This sermon expounded on the theme of the Divinity of Christ, and played a key role in helping revise the Nicene Creed to what it is today. He also published numerous homilies on the Bible.

It is generally believed that he died in 394 in Nyssa. Today, he is venerated as a saint by Orthodox, Roman Catholic, Anglican and Lutheran Churches, and his feast day is on July 19th.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR JULY

Tuesday July 1 - Friday July 4	08.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday July 1	11.00am Weekday Mass
Thursday July 3	5.45pm – 7.45pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal
Saturday July 5	10.00am – 11.30am Coffee, Cake & Chat
Sunday July 6	The Third Sunday of Trinity 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 11.00am Sung Mass
Monday July 7 - Friday July 11	08.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday July 8	11.00am Weekday Mass 12.00pm Friendship Lunch
Thursday July 10	5.45pm – 7.45pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal
Saturday July 12	10.00am – 11.30am Coffee, Cake & Chat 3.00pm Wedding Blessing Chris Hudson & Lina Frimate
Sunday July 13	The Fourth Sunday of Trinity 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 11.00am Sung Mass
Monday July 14- Friday July 18	08.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday July 15	11.00am Weekday Mass
Saturday July 19	10.00am – 11.30am Coffee, Cake & Chat
Sunday July 20	The Fifth Sunday of Trinity 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 11.00am Sung Mass
Monday July 21 – Friday July 25	08.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday July 22	11.00am Weekday Mass
Saturday July 26	10.00am – 11.30am Toddler Group / Coffee, Cake & Chat 1.00pm WEDDING Daniel Mariess & Gabrielle Russell
Sunday July 27	The Sixth Sunday of Trinity 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 10.15am Bake Sale. 11.00am Sung Mass 12.15pm Bake Sale. 12.30pm Baptism Lucas-Lee Le Flem
Monday July 28 - Friday August 1	08.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday July 29	11.00am Weekday Mass



MAD HATTERS



TEAPARTY



ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH

Thank you for supporting our

Bake Sale Sundays



Every last
Sunday of
the month

Through the warmer months we are hoping to have our table outside in the garden and to include other items for sale such as herbs and vegetables, flowers, jams and preserves.
All donations are welcome.

25 May 29 June 27 July 31 August 28 September



ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH

TODDLER GROUP

LAST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH

10 - 11.30 AM

All welcome!

Coffee, Cake & Chat for mums, dads, grandparents, carers

31 May 28 June 26 July 30 August
27 September 25 October 29 November



Growing our Family Ministry...Growing our Church

We have had a lovely year of growth in our ministry and nurturing our team at St Stephen's Church.

In April 2025, I had a South West Youth Ministry (SWYM) training day with Gaz Hillier from 'Care for the Family' and Tim Cadoux from SWYM. As always, Gaz' presentations were so useful as we think about how we as a church family can support parents and carers to live out their faith in our everyday lives. The other aspect we need to think about is how to support young people who come to church, but their parents don't attend with them.

Anne, Aileen and I attended a weekend of workshops hosted by Trinity with Gaz Hillier and others that was hugely inspiring and encouraging. For the month of June and into July, there is a 'Raising Faith' course at Trinity Church on Wednesday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30pm and we encouraged the parents of our children who attend St Stephen's to join the course to be supported in thinking about faith at home.

I attended a Godly Play training course in May 2025 to learn a different way to reach children and encourage their spiritual journeys. It was a brilliant course, and I, with Erin and Aileen, will be doing Godly Play for our Sunday morning weekly ministry and Sunday afternoon monthly Family Services. We will continue to work with other churches on the island to grow Godly Play ministry. We are hoping to build our weekly Children's Church at 9.30am on Sundays and continue the Family Service at 2.30pm on the first Sunday of the month.

On Saturday, 31st May 2025, I started a monthly Toddler Group and it was very successful. This will continue every last Saturday of the month at the same time as our weekly Coffee, Cake & Chat at 10 to 11.30am on Saturday mornings.

We are thankful for the support of Fr Joe, the Trustees and our St Stephen's Church family to keep growing this ministry that will, with time, grow our Church.

Andrea Bateman

ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH

BASKET APPEAL

FOR
GODLY PLAY &
FUNDRAISING HAMPERS



We are needing baskets of for our Godly Play story materials and for making up hampers for fundraising raffle prizes.

If you have any baskets that you are no longer using or needing and would like to donate them, please place them in the vestry for us. All shapes and sizes welcome!

Terrible cruise, rained the whole time.
They did have a great buffet.
I had two of everything



At a college reunion, a group of successful alumni—now doctors, lawyers, business owners—decided to visit their old professor. They chatted about their careers and families, but soon the conversation shifted to life's pressures, stress, and constant chasing after more. After listening for a while, the professor smiled and said, "Hold on a minute. I'll go make us some coffee."

He came back with a large pot and a tray full of cups—none of them matching. Some were fine porcelain, others were plain ceramic, a few were chipped glass mugs, and one even looked like it came from a diner.

As everyone reached for a cup, the professor watched in silence. Once they all had coffee in hand, he said:

"Notice what just happened. Most of you instinctively reached for the nicest cups—leaving behind the simpler ones. It's normal to want the best for ourselves, but that's often where the stress begins."

He gestured toward the cups.

"The cup doesn't make the coffee taste any better. What you really wanted was the coffee. But you still focused on the cup."

Then he paused.

"Life is the coffee. Your job, your house, your income, your status—those are just cups.

They help contain life, but they don't define it. And the trouble is, the more we focus on the cup, the more we miss out on the coffee."

He smiled.

"Remember, happy people don't always have the best of everything. But they know how to make the best of what they have."



Mid-Summer Madness!

St Stephen's Community Centre has had a fun and exciting start to Summer - a Beetle Drive, a Mad Hatter's Tea Party, a fantastic Quiz evening and lots of busyness with the weekly groups, including Zumba every Saturday morning at 9am. We look forward to more summer fun! We have availability for weekend functions and activities during the day (Monday to Friday from 09:00am to 02:30pm) and some evenings.

Please contact the centre for more information and for bookings:

Tel: 01481 711701 or email Jenny Lambert: ststephenscommunitycentre@gmail.com

July events: **Tuesday 8th July** 12:00 - 14:00 : Friendship Lunch

Club: Please contact the leader if you are interested:	Day(s)	Time
The French Workshop : Juliana Chapellier : thefrenchworkshopgsy@gmail.com	Weekdays (term time)	15:15 - 17:15
Yoga : Michael Wegerer : yoga.gsy@gmail.com	Monday	19:00 - 20:00
Dancing in the Dark : Louise Croft : facebook.com/danceguernsey	Tuesday	18:00 - 19:00
Dance Fit : Caroline Mauger : www.zumba.com/en-US/p/caroline-mauger/1359453	Thursday	09:45 - 10:45
St Stephen's Players : Chris Dragun : facebook.com/ststephensplayersgsy	Tuesday & Thursday	19:30 - 21:30
Beavers : Rosalyn Le Huray : firstgsybeavers@outlook.com	Monday	17:30 - 18:45
Cubs : Leon Gallienne : firstgsycubs@outlook.com	Monday	19:00 - 20:30
Brownies : Ellie Luce : ststephens.girlguiding@gmail.com	Wednesday	17:30 - 18:30
Sea Scouts : Rosalyn Le Huray : firstgsyscouts@outlook.com	Wednesday	19:00 - 21:00
Rangers : Sophie Leale : 7thststephensrangers@gmail.com	Wednesday	19:00 - 20:30
Guides : Debbie Robilliard : 7thststephensguides@gmail.com	Friday	18:00 - 19:30
Zumba : Emily Young: emily@eneevo.com / www.eneevo.com	Saturday	09:00 – 10:00

Each month, the St Stephen's Community Centre would like to feature one of our regular users. Last month we presented Emily Young's Zumba, our newest centre group. For July, we would like to share some community history and have kindly requested Steph Dragun for an article about the St Stephen's Players, who have been loyal and regular members of the church and community centre family for more than 80 years!

ST STEPHEN'S PLAYERS

The St Stephen's Players have always been a big part of St Stephen's Church, since long before the World War II. We have been a family group, having babies in arms, toddlers, youngsters at rehearsals and all very involved over the years.

There are so many years of history within the Players, many generations involved, and the same is still true to this day. We are very proud of this, using the motto:
'PROUD TO BE A PLAYER.'

The community centre has always been there, although known by other names over the years, starting out as a school. This is where we rehearse all our productions, which include our yearly pantomime, variety nights, plays, musicals and more.

We run many fundraising functions at the centre including quizzes, jigsaw puzzle nights, parties, beetle drives, Rock 'n Roll Bingo - just to mention a few.

When the community centre was undergoing its refurbishment, we used the Performing Arts Centre, but were very pleased to move back to the intimacy of the centre, where we can get up close to our audiences.

We have a great group of talented people, young and older all involved together, and there are always laughs along the way, and also like any family a few arguments. Our next big performance is ANNIE JR - the musical - on Friday 18th July and Saturday 19th July. Friday has one 7pm performance and on Saturday there will be a matinee and a 7pm evening performance. We needed a bigger venue for the number of talented youngsters we have performing in it and thus it will be staged at the Performing Arts Centre. Tickets are selling well, so get yours now at www.guernseytickets.gg to avoid missing out!

The cast is made up of our young players, all 18 years and under. They are a truly talented bunch, so please support them. They are working hard at the community centre every week during rehearsals.

If you want to know more, we are always happy to chat to you, and we encourage new members to join us, not just to be on stage, but those who can paint, use a hammer or saw, staple gun (with caution, children around) as well as those who have an understanding and love of music, choreography, or can sew or have an eye to help with costumes. If you have ever directed or thought you might like to give it a try, we would love to hear from you.

You may also see our Musicool Kids around the island over the summer as they perform for you.

Go and have a look at our website www.ststephensplayers.com where you will find an excellent archive. Scroll through to see all the exciting activities we have been up to and with more to come through the year.

We are thankful for having our community centre to help us to continue for many more years to come.

STEPH DRAGUN

IN LOVING MEMORY

MICHAEL JOHN BEACHAM

*Eulogy written by his daughter, Fiona, and delivered by Fiona at Michael's funeral on
24th of March 2025*

Dad, an only child, was born on 22nd April 1943 in Bristol to Cyril and Margaret Beacham.

He attended Exeter Cathedral School in Devon before moving to Clayesmore School in Dorset. Upon finishing school, he joined his father in the retail business. Most of his working life was with Debenhams department stores, moving to various stores and working his way up from the shop floor to his final role with them as General Manager of the Soft Furnishings Division at their head office in London. He was then head hunted by Colorol, later known as Fogarty, where he worked as a director until his retirement. During his working career he also became a member of the British Institute of Management and the British Institute of Directors. He kept in contact with a lot of his old work colleagues and looked forward to attending the annual Debenhams reunion.

Dad and Mum then decided to retire to Guernsey in 1996. However, retirement did not mean sitting back and relaxing. Dad was appointed Chairman of Oldrids, the local department store in Boston, Lincolnshire, he also took on the role of Chairman of the Royal Naval Club, travelling back and forth between Guernsey, Boston and London to attend board meetings etc. Dad was also keen to embed himself in Guernsey life and was appointed as Constable of St Peter Port, a post he thoroughly enjoyed and was also able to use his extensive knowledge and experience by becoming involved in the Town Centre Partnership in St Peter Port.

Mum and dad met, whilst dad was working in Derby, through mutual friends at the Derby Opera Company. They were married on the 26th April 1970 at Leicester Cathedral and I was born a year later in August 1971.

Dad loved history and read extensively. You could always count on him to know interesting facts and information about various towns and villages we would visit. Many holidays were spent visiting historical sites and churches, something I hated as a child and thought boring but which I now appreciate more and will often be found now with my husband, Ian, visiting a National Trust property or historical site on our breaks away.

Sailing was another passion of Dad's. I enjoyed many a weekend with Dad varnishing the boat we had in Teignmouth, Devon.

One birthday I remember, Dad took myself and some friends over to a little island in the estuary at Teignmouth, that appeared when the tide went out, for a treasure hunt and picnic. Dad spent many happy weekends with his friend John Baumber sailing and he enjoyed trips out whilst in Guernsey in the early days. His love of sailing also extended to his keen interest in the Royal Navy. This stemmed from his father, who served in the Royal Navy during the Second World War and from the hours he spent talking with his favourite housemaster and history teacher at School, David Spinney, who also served, and was a fount of knowledge on naval history and sailing. Dad spent many hours in the garage building models of Naval ships when I was at school. Dad always harboured a secret wish to have joined the Royal Navy as a career and we spent many bank holiday weekends at the Royal Navy Days at Plymouth and Portsmouth.

Whilst living in Lincolnshire, Dad became a member of the Masons, again following in his father's footsteps. This was also an important part of his life, and he enjoyed attending the meetings and other social activities. He also worked on several books/pamphlets on the history of the masons in Guernsey and was working towards digitalising the Guernsey Masonic historical records. He was also very proud to have been promoted and honoured for his work on this activity.

Throughout his life, music has played a key role. No matter where Dad was living, he always joined the local church or Cathedral choir as well as other classical music groups such as chamber music groups and operatic societies. He was a member of the Exeter Old Choristers Association and would return annually to attend their old chorister's reunion at Easter time. He loved singing church music, right from when he was at school up until the final years of his life where the only thing that stopped him was his increasing frailty which prevented him from making it up into the choir stalls.

Dad found getting old tough to accept. With his decreasing mobility and failing health and eyesight doing the things he loved such as singing in the choir and reading books became nigh on impossible and this was only compounded more with the loss of my mum. Finding himself on his own was really hard for him and I could see the once strong, confident, enthusiastic and interested individual disappearing, as if the light was going out of him.

As much as I will and am missing Dad, I know that he is now at peace and with Mum again and so that brings me comfort and relief during this difficult time.



The Guild of Intercession

Emily Sophia Tupper 5/7/1889; Ruth Anderson 21/7/1920; Jane Hayes 12/7/1936; Edward George Piprell 19/7/1943; Samuel Walter Mills 18/7/1949; George Stave Robilliard 10/7/1950; Geoffrey Brooke 26/7/1950; James Alexander Long 2/7/1951; Emma Mary Sealey 30/7/1952; Ivy Mary Bishop 13/7/1954; Christine Cook 15/7/1954; Kenneth McLeod 31/7/1954; Joyce Stobie 31/7/1954; Edward Alexander Howlett 22/7/1955; Richard Morgan Barton Ince Cromie 23/7/1957; William Thomas Henry Salisbury 23/7/1957; Cecil Charles Bynam 25/7/1957; Douglas Murray McLeod 26/7/1957; Wilfred Peter Renouf 2/7/1958; Arthur Gordon Newman 8/7/1958; Ellen Gertrude Le Gallez 7/7/1960; Ivor George Sanders (Priest) 15/7/1960; Audrey Dorothea Bellairs 4/7/1962; Ellen Miles 27/7/1962; Florence May Paint 28/7/1962; Hedley Nicolle 11/7/1966; Gertrude Louisa Smith 11/7/1971; Gerald Drummond 2/7/1973; Grace Faircloth 19/7/1973; William Henry Arnold 21/7/1973; Ethel Glynes 4/7/1974; Nancy Georgina Shayer 7/7/1975; Lilian Garrow Green 8/7/1975; Alice Tregoning Matthews 10/7/1977; Herbert William Carlton Shaw 13/7/1977; Florence Eliza Huddle 5/7/1979; Alfred Galliot 16/7/1984; Cecil Pattimore 10/7/1985; Gertrude Rowe 23/7/1985; Ethel May Hamilton 18/7/1986; John Norman Messenger 20/7/1987; Patrick Williams 26/7/1987; Roy Frederick Thome 2/7/1989; Ernest Joseph Fallaize 24/7/1989; Mary Elizabeth Lorna King 23/7/1992; Ruth Mackesy 2/7/1993; John Alec Le Moigne 19/7/1993; Delmond Roy Williams 3/7/1994; Alan Henry Marquis 5/7/1997; John Bygott-Webb 25/7/1997; Carol Ann Walters 12/7/2003; Lesna Harris Millard 27/7/2003; Phyllis Elizabeth Netherton Agnelli 5/7/2004; Maud Eunice Ogier 7/7/2004; Michael Philip Gribbens 17/7/2004; John Andrew Relf 15/7/2005; Hilda Parnaby 12/7/2006; Doris Lillian Fallaize 19/7/2006; William Allen Dodd 27/7/2006; David Arthur Le Poidevin 1/7/2007; Ruby Amelia Bishop 18/7/2007; Robert Charles Crisell 26/7/2007; Brian Dyson 29/7/2007; Isobel Clara Wright 3/7/2008; Leonard Arthur Le Tocq 31/7/2009; Robert Keith Dawber 19/7/2010; Arthur William Helman 11/7/2011; Muriel Elsie Troth 9/7/2012; Jean Sermon 13/7/2012; Tom Ramsden 27/7/2012; Chase-Dean Honey 29/7/2012; Michael St John Paint 5/7/2014; John Arthur Desmond Robilliard 2/7/2017. Frank Le Fric 24/06/2 Monica Brook 21/07/21 Robert Jennings 27/07/21

May They Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

Parish Register
(June 2025)

A REGISTER
of Persons
BAPTIZED.

Baptisms: None

Weddings: None

Funerals: Ian Frank Colman Petch

1691.
of the daughter of Mr. Thomas Petch
of St. James in the parish of St. James
1695
the daughter of Mr. Robert Petch

READINGS FOR JULY 2025

Sunday 6 th July	Third Sunday after Trinity (Proper 9)	Isaiah Ch66 v10-14 Galatians Ch6v 7-16 Luke Ch 10 v 1-11, 16-20
Sunday 13 th July	Fourth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 10)	Deuteronomy Ch30 v9-14 Colossians Ch1 v1-14 Luke Ch10 v25-37
Sunday 20 th July	Fifth Sunday after Trin- ity (Proper 11)	Genesis Ch18 v1-10a Colossians Ch1 v15-28 Luke Ch10 v38-42
Sunday 27 th July	Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 12)	Genesis Ch18 v20-32 Colossians Ch2 v6-15 Luke Ch11 v1-13



ST STEPHEN'S PLAYERS PRESENT
ANNIE JR

DIRECTED BY ABBIE FORMAN
AT THE PRINCESS ROYAL CENTRE
FOR PERFORMING ARTS

Friday 18th July evening 7pm
Saturday 19th July matinee 3pm
Saturday 19th July evening 7pm

TO BOOK TICKETS: www.guernseytickets.gg

Please come along and support these amazing youngsters

JULY HYMNS

SUNDAY 11.00am	6th Trinity 3	13th Trinity 4 Sea Sunday	20th Trinity 5	27th Trinity 6
HYMN	379	374	377	C.22
PROPER	700	701	702	703
Responsorial Psalm	66 (1-8)	25 (1-10)	15	138
OFFERTORY	294	473	239	333
COMMUNION	481 T462	367	341	357
POST COMMUNION	461 Omit last verse	354	S.38	499



Food Pantry

FOOD BANK SUNDAY

St Stephen's Church supports the work of the Guernsey Welfare Food bank which helps families on low incomes or out of work, people with disabilities, or single parents. On the first Sunday of each month there is a collection basket for food items put out by the font. Please give generously to help those people who are struggling to make ends meet.

Guilds, Clubs & Activities at St Stephen's

CREATIVE CHILDREN'S CHURCH (MESSY CHURCH)	Andrea Bateman andrea.bateman@yahoo.co.uk	1st Sunday of the Month 2.30pm – 4.00pm	Family Service & Godly Play in Church
RAINBOWS	Rachel Le Prevost ststephens.girlguiding@gmail.com	Wednesday 4.00pm – 5.00pm	Community Centre 5 – 7 years old
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RANGERS	Sophie Leale Tel: 714850 + 07911 132440 7thststephensrangers@gmail.com	Wednesday 7.40pm – 9.00pm	Community Centre 14-21 years old
1st VICTORIA SEA SCOUT GROUP Group Scout Leader Rosalynne Le Huray Tel: 07781 127263	Rosalynne Le Huray firstgtsybeavers@outlook.com	Beavers Monday 5.30pm - 6.45pm	Community Centre 6 – 8 years old
	Leon Gallienne firstgsyscubs@outlook.com	Cubs Monday 7.00pm – 8.30pm	Community Centre 8 – 10 years old
	Rosalynne Le Huray firstgsyscouts@outlook.com	Sea Scouts Wednesday 7.00pm – 9.00pm	Community Centre 10 – 14 years old
ST STEPHEN'S GUILD	Marg Kaines Tel: 254858	As arranged	Church 'housekeeping'
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SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE	Tony Goss Tel: 728433	As arranged	St Stephen's Vestry
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SUNDAY MASSES

9.30am

Said Mass and Children's Church

11.00am

Sung Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday 8.00am *Morning Prayer*

Tuesday 11.00am *Said Mass*