

# **900<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ALL SAINTS**

## **MOUNTFIELD**

*Sadly but understandably the events planned for the 900<sup>th</sup> celebrations in April, May and early June have been cancelled or postponed. The programme will resume as soon as possible.*

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2pm Village cricket match and picnic during the afternoon followed by Songs of Praise at 6pm in the church led by Archdeacon Edward Dowler

Mountfield Cricket Club will host a Village Cricket Match against an All Saints Church XI at King George's Field. Please come and bring the family and a picnic. This will be followed by Songs of Praise at 6pm in the church led by Archdeacon Edward Dowler

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm The Wealden Consort choir performing "Music for a Summer Evening" in the church.

Based in the Weald of Kent, the Wealden Consort are a friendly, enthusiastic and accomplished choir of around 25 mixed voices, who enjoy coming together to make music and to perform concerts at charity fund raising events throughout Kent, Sussex and also further afield.

As a choir, the Consort has a wide repertoire, ranging from Early Church music through to folksongs and modern works. Tickets £12 each. Bring a small cushion; pews can be uncomfortable.

To book and any enquiries please contact: Nick Holden 01580 389053 [Wealden Consort](#)

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September Village Day – an Exhibition in the church, an Open Day at The Walled Garden, Mountfield Court and a Community Gathering in the Village Hall

Mountfield's collection of old photographs began as part of Mountfield's Millennium celebrations and was initially used to illustrate our book, 'Mountfield Meanderings'. The collection rapidly grew to such an extent, that a second volume was published in 2004. These hundreds of photographs, and much other memorabilia, now form the Mountfield Archive. An exhibition of these photographs and other items from the collection, relating to All Saints Church, will be on display in the church during Village Day on 5<sup>th</sup> September. We will include as many pictures as possible of weddings and christenings that have taken place in All Saints, so if you have any pictures you would like to be included, please contact Trish Jones on 01580 880431 or at [trish.mountfield@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:trish.mountfield@hotmail.co.uk)

Our archive also includes photographs of Villagers who are buried in the churchyard and we thought it would be nice to include these parishioners in our celebrations, by placing a photograph of them on their grave. If you have a loved one buried here and would like them to be remembered as part of 'Gone But Not Forgotten', please contact Trish, as above, with the photograph you would like to be placed on their grave.

### **Open Day at the Walled Garden**

The Walled Garden will be open on September 5<sup>th</sup> from 10-4 with donations on entry towards the church. We will be happy to take you on a tour of the garden or you can just wander around at your leisure. We grow cut flowers and fruit and vegetables, which will all be for sale. There will also be plants to buy. Please bring your own bags and boxes for these.

No dogs please. Easy parking.

12 – 4pm Look out for Mad Jacks Morris at the Village Hall Barbeque

[Mad Jack's Morris- contact](#)

## 10am start – A 5 hour Ramble through the parishes of Mountfield, Brightling and Netherfield

Join Rother Ramblers for a 15km (approx. 9.5 miles) walk through the three parishes of Mountfield, Netherfield and Brightling. The walk will take around 5 hours as we'll go at an easy pace with stops for drinks along the way. Please bring a picnic lunch to eat in Brightling (there's nowhere to buy food on our route). Do wear walking shoes or boots as we'll be going through woodland and across fields as well as along lanes and local footpaths. This event is not open to young children. Well behaved dogs are welcome but they need to be fit and kept on a lead most of the time.

The walk will start promptly at 10.00. Car parking and start point are outside the Walled Garden, Mountfield Court. TN32 5JP OS Grid ref TQ 736205

After the walk you're invited to enjoy tea in the village hall, visit the exhibition in the church and join in the rest of the festivities of Village Day.

Contact Chris Holden on 07871 187057

## Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September Mountfield Ride and Walk

This is the 10th ride/walk across 8 miles of farmland and woodland, predominantly off road. Riders and walkers may leave between 9.30 and 12.00 at their own leisure. Rosettes will be awarded to all who complete the course. Parking will be below the walled garden at Mountfield Court, TN32 5JP entrance opposite the church. Refreshments will be available at the start/finish. More details to follow.

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October The Primrose Quartet Concert in the church – part of Battle Festival.

We are delighted to welcome one of the UK's top chamber music ensembles to Mountfield. Members of the Primrose Piano Quartet, Susanne Stanzeleit, violin, Dorothea Vogel, viola and Andrew Fuller, cello will present an afternoon concert on Sunday, October 4th. Their programme will feature some of the best-loved classical music, including works by Mozart, Schubert and Bach. A real treat for all music lovers and not to be missed! Further details to be published. [About - Primrose Piano Quartet](#)

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October An evening of storytelling for children in the church including the history of Mountfield, with the choir from Vinehall School.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November All Saints Day service marking the official 900<sup>th</sup> birthday of the church led by Bishop Martin of Chichester

The grand finale of our celebrations marking the official 900<sup>th</sup> birthday of the church will be led by Bishop Martin of Chichester. There will be a chance to meet and chat with +Martin after the service as he joins us for lunch in the Village Hall. The whole congregation is invited to lunch but some idea of numbers in advance would help the volunteer caterers. [Martin Warner \(bishop\) - Wikipedia](#)