

CHALDON AND ITS HIDDEN TREASURES
Wednesday, 25th May 2016
Chaldon Church 6.30 pm

A wonderful opportunity to hear a talk by Councillor Ted Howard on the mural in Chaldon Church of the 'Ladder of Salvation of the Human Soul' together with 'Purgatory and Hell' and to visit the church itself, and to hear about and visit the adjacent 14c Chaldon Court by kind invitation of its owner, Mrs Madeline Hutchins.



The picture on the west wall of the church is famous as the earliest known English wall painting - it dates from about 1200 and is without equal in any other part of Europe. It is thought to have been painted by a travelling artist-monk with an extensive knowledge of Greek ecclesiastical art. The picture depicts the 'Ladder of Salvation of the Human Soul' together with 'Purgatory and Hell'. Wall paintings of this kind were intended as a visual aid to religious teaching and they provide a wide philosophical background to such studies.

The other half of the evening will be conducted by Madeline Hutchins who will give an illustrated talk on the history of her home, the 14th century Chaldon Court adjacent to the church, and will very kindly allow us to visit the property which is not normally open to the public.

Exact location will be sent with confirmation of booking to ensure that only those who have booked arrive on the day.

From 6.30 pm tea/coffee and biscuits will be available and the talks will begin promptly at 7 pm.

This visit is unsuitable for children, and dogs are not allowed. The floors and steps in both the house and the church can be uneven in places and might present a challenge to those with some mobility issues. The visit is not suitable for wheelchairs.

The cost will be £7 for members (£9 for non-members), which will include refreshments.

Booking is essential. If you would like to join us would you please complete and return the attached slip to arrive at Warren Farm Barns before **Friday, 20th May**. There is a limit on numbers for this visit, so please make your booking early.

Please include your e-mail address or a stamped addressed envelope so you may be sent full details, directions and locations for the visit. For further details and enquiries, contact us at info@surreyhillssociety.org or on mobile 07530-949302.

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I wish to book _____ member places at £7 per person and/or _____ non-members at £9

I enclose my cheque for £ payable to "Surrey Hills Society".

NAME MEMBERSHIP NO.....

ADDRESS

..... POSTCODE

Telephone E-mail

NAME(S) of other applicants (if more than three, continue below):

First name.....Surname.....

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Signed: Date:

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