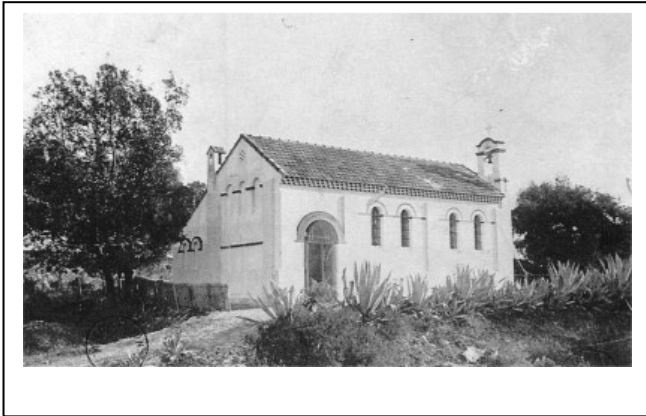


**St John's Church
St. Raphaël
Celebrates 100 years**



**1907-2007
Celebration Weekend
April 28th -29th
“Christ is made the sure foundation”**

We look forward to seeing you here with all the family of St. John's at our weekend of celebrations. On February 2nd, the 100th anniversary of the consecration, we held a service entitled "Thanksgiving and Memories. This coming weekend is called "Dedication and Celebration" as we join together to mark 100 years of worship here in our beloved church.

Saturday 28th 14.00. at St. John's "St John's, The Early Years"

An illustrated talk given by Mrs Lindsay Benoist.

Lindsay became interested in the development of Saint Raphaël, and in particular the contribution of the British, while researching the lives of her ancestors, members of the Bentall- Sergeant family, who lived in St. Raphaël between 1880 and 1914. Her research lead her to the implantation of the Anglican Church as the spiritual centre of this community. She will talk about the beginnings of the Church of St. John's, from the arrival of the Reverend Dyce in 1882, to the consecration in 1907. She will explain why the need was felt for another Anglican Church in Valescure during the same period, and will describe a few of the interesting people who lived in St. Raphael at the turn of the nineteenth century. She will conclude by pointing out the concrete contributions made by the British which still remain in St. Raphaël today.

15.00 Visit to the ex Anglican church in Valescure, and an outside viewing of some of the villas built by the British who came here at the turn of 19th century.

16.15 Traditional afternoon tea, with cakes and scones back at St. John's

17.15 A walk along the sea front while the choir prepares for the concert in the church.

18.00 A Special Concert by our wonderful choir of a selection of British church music from the last 100 years.

Sunday 29 the April

“Dedication and Celebration”

10.30. Festival Celebration of the Holy Eucharist Presided over by the Bishop of our Diocese The Right Rev Geoffrey Rowell.

Followed by A ‘Vin d’Honneur

13.00 Birthday Lunch at the Brise de Mer Hotel, for those who have reserved a place in advance. Tickets will be given out for this on the Saturday

Practical Details.

So that we can :

- i. arrange the church for the talk and concert
- ii. plan the transport for the visit
- iii. estimate how many cakes we need for tea

We would be grateful if you could return the slip below as soon as possible. Many Thanks.

To Anne Eaton, St. John's Church, Avenue Paul Doumer,
83700 St. Raphaël, France

Name.....

Will be coming to the talk St John's the Early Years

Will be coming on the visit to All Saints.

Will need transport,/ will not need transport

Will be coming to tea

Will be coming to the concert

We hope you will come to all these exciting events to support the work that has gone into the preparations.