

St Mary's News: Sunday 7 April 2019

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Today

5th Sunday of Lent

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

3.30pm Messy Church

6.30pm Compline

St Mary's Mass

Introit: Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep –

A le Fleming

Choir anthem: O Salutaris – Elgar

Voluntary: Sonata in Bb – Mendelssohn

Readings:

Philippians 3. 4b-14

John 12. 1-8



The Collect for the 5th Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Next week

Palm Sunday

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

11.45am APCM

6pm Fauré Requiem

Readings:

Luke 19. 28-40

Dramatised passion reading



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for all who live in School Lane and Church Street.

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for:

Peggy Warnett (8th)

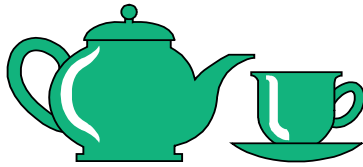
Wong Seu Cheun (10th)

Doris Stone (13th)

The Book of Remembrance is by the Lady Chapel. If you would like a loved one remembered, please complete a blue form and the name will be added to the book.

Welcome to St Mary's!

Visitors are warmly welcomed; please join us for refreshments in the Upper Room after the 10am service.



This week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer
12.45pm Friends Together

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots
1pm Café Plus
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice
8pm Lent Course

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Vicar's Surgery
12.30pm Lent Course

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

10am Who Let the Dads Out?
6.45pm Hadlow Orchestra practice

We endeavour to open the Church Monday to Friday from 2pm to 4pm

For Children & Young People

Activity Bags for younger children are in baskets at the back of church. Books, crayons etc are in the children's corner.



Sunday Groups in Term Time

JAM (Jesus and Me) - up to 11 yrs
Christ in Action - 11 years +
No groups on 5th Sundays to allow us all to worship together.

All Visitors' Children are Welcome

Foodbank in Hadlow

St Mary's Church has supported the Community Storehouse foodbank in Paddock Wood for several years which is used by residents of Hadlow. However, as travelling to Paddock Wood is not always easy, St Mary's now holds a supply of food for anyone in Hadlow who needs help. If you, or someone you know, needs support, please call Rev'd Paul White: 01732 850238.

Easter Flowers in Church

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please hand the money and their name to Rev'd Paul by Tuesday 16 April. Thank you.





Sunday 7 April
3.30pm – 5.30pm

All-age craft activities and games to help us explore Easter. Followed by informal worship and tea. FREE. All welcome, but no unaccompanied children, please.

Fauré Requiem

Palm Sunday, 14 April, at 6pm. Programme also includes O Jesu Christ meus Lebens Licht. Admission free, retiring collection. Additional singers are invited to join St Mary's choir for this event – please contact Antony.

APCM – Sunday 14 April

The Annual Report and Financial Statements of the PCC for 2018 are now available for download from the church website. If you would like a copy to be printed for you, please add your name to the sign-up list at the back of church. Churchwardens are elected annually, and we also need to elect five new members to the PCC. Nomination forms are available at the back. Please see Martin Massy if you have any queries.

Easter Services

Palm Sunday – 14 April

8am Holy Communion
9.45am Palm Procession to Church from Hadlow Square followed by Parish Eucharist
6pm Fauré Requiem

Holy Week

Mon 15th & Tues 16th

8pm Compline

Wed 17th

9.30am Holy Communion

8pm Compline

Maundy Thursday – 18 April

8pm – Holy Communion and stripping of the altar

Good Friday – 19 April

10am Walk of Witness from St Peter's Chapel, ending at St Mary's – *stay for coffee & Hot Cross Buns*

12pm Interactive prayer stations

2pm Good Friday Service

Easter Sunday – 21 April

6am Dawn Service

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Family Service & Communion

12pm Holy Communion at Golden Green

Hadlow Boot Fair

Bank Holiday Monday, 6 May

8.30-12.00 in Jacksons' Field, Carpenters Lane.

Please make a note of the date when clearing out your attic!



The Supper at Bethany – Mary Reflects

I can hardly believe that the supper really happened, that we were all together and in the company of our dearest friend Jesus and some of his friends. We would certainly not have had our brother Lazarus with us if Jesus had not rescued him from death; Martha and I will never forget that day.

We so much wanted to do something special for Jesus, partly because we had this feeling of foreboding for him, but mostly because of our great love and regard for him.

Martha agreed to make the meal and serve it, Lazarus poured the wine, and I was ready to spring my surprise at the end of the meal.

I can picture it all again and again. I poured indescribably aromatic perfume all over Jesus' feet and wiped them with my hair. All were stunned into silence until Judas Iscariot broke it; all he could think about was how much it had cost, and what a waste, and that the money could have gone to the poor – and so on.

By then I was nearly in tears, when Jesus calmed the situation by saying the most extraordinary thing – that we would always have 'the poor' to care for, but would not always have him. Perhaps our feeling of foreboding was valid in some way.

Then Judas slunk away and all that was left was the lingering fragrance of the perfume, and a strange peace.

A.W.

Who's who at St Mary's?

Vicar

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David Gater (01732 850477)

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of all ages – always most welcome!)

Parish Administrator

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Office Hours

Tuesday 9.30am – 3pm
Thursday 8.30am – 2pm

PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information

Rev Paul White; Rev Nicky Harvey;
Martin Massy & Barbara Smith; David
Gater; Francis Griffiths, Val Newell &
Kelly Parsons (Deanery Synod reps.);
Kirsty Finch; Judy Gater; Jenny Hopkins;
Julia Miles; Katerina Nixon; Rachel
Packham; Michael Payne; Mark Totty;
Annie Young & other members.

PCC Secretary: Martin Massy

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*Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice
board and on St Mary's website*