

St Mary's News

Sunday 23 May 2021

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Today

Pentecost

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion in church
and via Zoom

*Choir anthem: Deep Within Me –
Dickinson & Higgins*

Readings:

Acts 2: 1-21

John 15: 26-27: 16: 4b-15



The Collect for Pentecost

Holy Spirit, sent by the
Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with
the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the
breath of love,
and renew the face of the
earth,
through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Amen

Next week

Trinity Sunday

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion in
church and via Zoom

Readings:

Isaiah 6: 1-8

John 3: 1-17

Prayers for the Week

We pray today for all who live in
Victoria Road & Three Elm Lane.

We pray for those who have recently died:

George Hurdle

Gladys Tuxford

Christopher Taylor

Rob Wratten

At the first anniversary of his death we remember

John Soper

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for

Elizabeth Chilton (25th)

Mary Knowles (26th)

Joyce Wood (28th)

Janice Bowden (28th)

Sarah Jane Epsley (29th)

Allan Henry Watson (29th)

Rupert Weld-Smith (29th)

This Week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am-12.30pm Church open
for private prayer & Food Bank
6pm Compline

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

F = services via Facebook Live

Rob Wratten

We are sad to announce that Rob Wratten died last Tuesday. Rob was a member of this church for many years before he, Yvonne and Yvonne's mother Joan Mitchell moved to Leicestershire. We will let anyone interested know about funeral arrangements when we learn more.

Everything you always wanted to know about Church

One of the things mentioned at our PCC meeting last Monday is that we (I) should explain what goes on in church in more detail – what the various elements of the service mean and so forth. To that end I shall start a series of notes in this News Sheet walking us through the service section by section and seeking to explain more about each.

But, before I do, I want to ask you what you most want to know about. So let me know what your questions are – what is it that happens in church in the liturgy or in the way I dress or celebrate the sacrament or in the layout of the building which you have always wanted to ask but never have? – now is your chance! No question is too basic, as this is the whole point, and I shall anonymise all questions when answering them.

Just to be clear this is not looking at theology or questions from the bible you want answered (I am always happy to do that anyway) but thinking specifically about what goes on in church as we worship. It is rare for only one person to have a particular question so your's may help lots of other people.

Rev. Paul

Hadlow Scarecrow Trail: 25th – 26th September



It's that time of year again! Covid restrictions allowing, we are hoping to run our scarecrow trail for the third time. This year

the theme will be historical figures. If you think you might like to take part and want more details, please contact Kirsty at: hadlow.scarecrowtrail@gmail.com. The event this year is being kindly sponsored by Hadlow Pharmacy.

Children's Society Box Collection

Offering of Children's Society boxes will take place at the 10am Service on Sunday 20 June. If you do not have a Children's Society Box and would like one for collecting your loose change, please ring Kirsty on 850404.

Needed: Volunteers to Tend the Brasses

We would be very grateful for several more volunteers to join the rota to polish the brasses in church. If you might be interested, or would like more information, please contact Linda Moore.

St Mary's Food Bank Update

Thank you for all donations to the food bank in church. At the moment we are mostly keeping pace with the steady demand, but there are a few items which would be particularly welcome and some with which we are already well stocked!

Items required:

Toilet rolls, baked beans, UHT skimmed milk, tinned fish, coffee, biscuits, fruit juice

Items NOT currently needed:

Rice, muesli, tinned tomatoes!

Health Walks now Open Free, fun and friendly!

Why not join a free Health Walk organized by Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council and discover the beauty of your area, meet new people and improve your health! The walks are led by volunteer leaders and can last between 1 and 1½ hours.

There are nine walking groups around the Borough, including one starting in Hadlow every Thursday at 10.30am. All you need to do is turn up in some comfortable walking shoes and enjoy yourself! Find out more on the TMBC website, call 01732 876347 or click: [Walks Leaflet](#)

Hospital Car Service

If you would like transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881.

The Search to Find a New Bishop of Rochester Begins

And Rochester Diocese needs your help!

With Bishop James retiring in July, the Diocese wants to know what matters to you, your church and your local area, as this will help identify the qualities needed in the next Bishop. What are the issues and concerns that should be their top priority?

They want to hear from as many different groups of people as possible to make sure they get the right person for this important role

Take a Survey

Whether you are church or youth leader, hold another role within the church, or are a young person or member of the congregation, there is a way for you to get involved and share your views. The survey can be found on the Diocese website [Diocese of Rochester | Help us find a new bishop \(anglican.org\)](http://Diocese of Rochester | Help us find a new bishop (anglican.org)) or you can email: vacancyinsee.secretary@rochester.anglican.org.

Responses need to be in by midnight on Sunday 13 June, 2021.

Who's who at St Mary's?

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Parish Administrator

Janice Massy (07570 941809)
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PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information:

Reverend Paul White; Michael Payne & John Speed; Martin Massy; Val Newell & Barry Wheeler (Deanery Synod reps.); Cathy Brill, Melissa Crawshay-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Mike Harvey; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Janice Massy; Steve Newell; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt.

PCC Secretary:

Martin Massy
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Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board and on St Mary's website.