

St Mary's News

Sunday 29 May 2022

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Today

7th Sunday of Easter

10am All-age Communion
Service

Readings:

Acts. 16. 16-34

John 17. 20-end



The Collect for the 7th Sunday of Easter

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with
power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by
sin
may find forgiveness and know
your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

**We thank Rev. Penny
Stephens for leading our
10am service today.**

Next week

Pentecost

8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Eucharist
12 noon Jubilee Quarter Peal

Readings:

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Prayers for the Week

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

We pray for those who have recently died:

Margaret Waring

And from our Book of Remembrance, we pray for

Sarah Jane Epsley (29th)

Allan Henry Watson (29th)

Rupert Weld-Smith (29th)

Margaret Lorna Thom (30th)

Archibald Swainson (Priest) (1st Jun)

Joan Plowright (1st)

Kenwyn Ritchie Trefor Davies (1st)

George Ellard (2nd)

John Macnamara (2nd)

Ross Morgan (2nd)

Joan Turner (4th)

Raymond Charles Norbury (4th)

Coffee After Church

Visitors are warmly welcomed; please join us for refreshments after today's 10am service.



This Week at a glance

Monday

1pm Funeral: Margaret Waring

Tuesday

5.30pm Yoga

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots

7.15pm Choir Practice

7.30pm Bell ringing practice

Thursday

7.30pm Compline

Friday

7pm Concert: Prom and Pimms

Saturday

Congratulations

to Pauline Relf on her confirmation by the Bishop of Tonbridge at a moving and uplifting Ascension Day service at St Mary's, Lamberhurst.

For Children and Young People

Activity Bags for younger children are in baskets in the children's corner near the side entrance to church. There are also books, crayons etc.



Sunday Club: JAM (Jesus and Me)

Every week in term-time during the 10am service. Suitable for ages up to 11 years.

All visitors' children are very welcome

Margaret Waring's Funeral

This will take place on Monday 30 May at 1pm. The service in church will be a Thanksgiving service. It follows the cremation which will take place at 10.45am at Kent and Sussex crematorium in Tunbridge Wells, and is mostly for the family, but if any close friends wish to attend, please let the family know to avoid any possible situation of there being more attending than can be accommodated.

Refreshments will be served in the upper room after the church service.

Fundraising Breakfast

Saturday 11 June from 9.30 to 11am. Bacon rolls, bacon sandwiches, toast, tea and coffee. Donations welcome for Holiday at Home.

Keeping the Church Open

At its meeting last Monday the PCC expressed a wish to return to keeping the church open during the daytime. To do this we will need a rota of volunteers to open the church each morning and close it in the evening. If you would be willing to help, please contact Janice.

Church Keyholders

There are a number of people who have for a long time held keys to the church building – including some who are no longer members of St Mary's. However, our insurers require us to hold an up-to-date list of all St Mary's keyholders and contact details. This is so that they can contact if you hold a key, or know of anyone else who holds a key, could you please let Janice know so that we can comply with the terms of our insurance policy. Please do not assume that we know that you have a set of keys.



PROM & PIMMS

Friday 3 June at 7pm in St Mary's Start the Platinum Jubilee celebrations with a musical treat! Come along for a summer evening of great music with some well-known Proms favourites to sing along to. Interval Pimms. Free entry but retiring collection. Bring a flag to wave. This is likely to be a popular event, so please come early to find a seat.

Parish Giving Scheme

We would like to encourage our members to give to St Mary's via the direct debit Parish Giving Scheme. This has the advantage of reducing the admin burden and paperwork for our finance team – all of whom are volunteers. More information and forms can be found at the back of church.

Bring and share Lunch for Kelly's last service

To mark Kelly's last service with us on **12 June** before she moves on to her curacy at West Malling, we will be holding a bring and share lunch after the 10am service. Please bring something to share – a round of sandwiches, a salad or a dessert to make this a fitting 'farewell' to Kelly.

Hospital Car Service

If you would like transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey: 01732 851881 or 07464 548448

Reflection on Today's Gospel Reading

If you had a friend you didn't ever talk to, would you be able to be close to that friend? No. God invites us to pray to him often. We become closer to God through prayer. We can pray the prayers we learn by heart, but we don't have to use special words. Whenever and wherever we pray, God listens.

Jesus prayed often. In today's Gospel, Jesus prays for his disciples.

Jesus prays that his disciples will know God's love. He wants them to be united with God and one another. We can pray for Jesus to help us be close to God and to live in harmony with all of God's people.



Who's Who at St Mary's?

Vicar

Position vacant

Anna Chaplain

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Church Wardens

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John Speed (07725 691518)
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Honorary Treasurer

Martin Massy (01732 851519)
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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:

Michael Payne, John Speed (Church Wardens); Martin Massy; Barry Wheeler & Mike Harvey (Deanery Synod reps.); Cathy Brill, Melissa Crawshay-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Lee Kirk; Lea Koloszári; Janice Massy; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt and Iris Shaw.

PCC Secretary:

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