

# St Mary's News

## Sunday 24 January 2021

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**Today**  
**3rd Sunday of Epiphany**  
10am Holy Communion via  
Zoom

**Readings:**  
1 Corinthians 1:10-13; 3:21-23  
John 17: 20-23



### **Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Epiphany**

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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**  
**Candlemas**  
10am Holy Communion via  
Zoom

**Readings:**  
Malachi 3: 1-5;  
Luke 2: 22-40



### **Prayers for the Week**

We pray today for all who all who live in Caxton Lane & Waterslippe.

### **We pray for those who have recently died:**

Bob Greenhead  
Grant Wolff

**On the first anniversary today of her death we pray for Marie Tuxford**

### **And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for**

Robert Philpott (25<sup>th</sup>)  
Angus Ferguson (25<sup>th</sup>)  
Win Skinner (26<sup>th</sup>)  
Ian Robert Dumbreck (27<sup>th</sup>)  
Michael Edwin Vanns (30<sup>th</sup>)

## **This Week at a glance**

### **Monday**

9am Morning Prayer (F)

6pm Compline (F)

### **Tuesday**

9am Morning Prayer (F)

5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

### **Wednesday**

9.30 Holy Communion (BCP) (F)

10.30 Church open for private  
prayer

6pm Compline (F)

### **Thursday**

9am Morning Prayer (F)

5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

### **Friday**

### **Saturday**

7.30pm Zoom Quiz

F = services via Facebook Live  
Just search online for St Mary's  
Facebook page

### **Zoom Coffee**

After today's service, why not stay connected for a virtual coffee and chat via Zoom. It will take place just after the 10am Zoom service, so no need to leave and return later.



## **Lent Course via Zoom**

Starts Tuesday 23 February at 6.30pm and runs for five weeks. Kelly will be leading us through Archbishop Stephen Cottrell's book *The Nail*. This great little book looks at the story of Jesus' passion through the eyes of five different characters, and asks us to put ourselves in their place. If you would like to take part in this journey though Lent then it would be great if you could acquire a copy of the book in advance of the course and to read the first chapter before coming to the first evening. The book can be ordered online – including through Hive:

<https://www.hive.co.uk/Product/Stephen-Cottrell/The-Nail--Being-Part-of-the-Passion/9010073>

Hive allows you to support a local bookshop with your purchase. When you checkout you simply tell it which local bookshop you want to support (e.g. Mr Books in Tonbridge) and they get a cut. If anyone would like to do the course but would struggle to buy the book please let Paul know and we shall sort you out – we don't want anyone to be excluded.

### **Hospital Car Service**

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

## Events

# QUIZ

*time*

### Via Zoom

#### **Saturday 30 January**

Starting at 7.30pm. All welcome, no entry fee, no prizes and, sadly, no dinner provided! Just an opportunity to exercise those grey cells and have a fun evening. Teams of one, two or a household. All you need is pen and paper for six rounds, each of 10 questions. Please contact Janice for the link at:

[office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk](mailto:office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk)

#### **Saturday 27 February**

### **An Evening of Scategories Via Zoom**

Starts at 7.30pm. This is a fun game to get you thinking. It works best with no more than 10 teams/players so, sadly, we will have to limit numbers of households who can take part.

### **Used stamps for**

### **The Leprosy Mission**

If anyone wants to give me their old stamps up to the end of January please put them through my letter box at 2 Spa Close, Hadlow (nearly opposite Great Elms). Trimmed with scissors to ¼ inch please. *Julia Miles*



Daily Hope is a FREE phone line, **0800 804 8044**, available 24 hours a day. It has been set up for those unable to join online church services during the period of Covid restrictions.

When a caller phones the line they will have a variety of options – they can listen to hymns, or prayers, or a session taking the caller through old hymns and explaining their meaning. They can also listen to a Sunday service. Created by the Church of England and partner groups, it is available for anyone but is designed particularly for people who do not have access to the internet.

### **Caring for one another**

Although we cannot worship together for the time being, we are still the church and we still need to care for one another, especially those who may be most lonely or unable to access the church on-line. The best means of doing this at the moment is by telephone. If there is someone you know who is lonely and would appreciate a phone call please let Rev'd Paul know; he is always happy to chat – or why not call that person yourself?

## **Wanted:**

### **PCC Minute Taker**

Or why not go the whole hog and become PCC Secretary? To reduce Martin's workload we do need, at the very least, to find someone who can take the minutes of PCC meetings every other month – just six times a year!! More information from Paul or Martin.

### **Coronavirus vaccine scams**

The public is being warned about criminals who are taking advantage of the roll-out of the COVID-19 vaccine to commit fraud – particularly with scam text messages.

Remember, the vaccine is only available on the NHS and is free of charge.

More information about the scam available from:

<https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/alert/coronavirus-vaccine-scams-warning>

### **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Prayer for Today**

Holy Spirit,  
vivifying fire and gentle breath,  
come and abide in us.

Renew in us the passion for unity  
so that we may live in awareness  
of the bond that unites us in  
you.

May all who have put on Christ  
at their Baptism  
unite and bear witness together  
to the hope that sustains them.

## **Who's who at St Mary's?**

### **Vicar**

The Reverend Paul White  
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### **Church Wardens**

Michael Payne (01732 852187)  
John Speed (07725 691518)

### **Honorary Treasurer**

Martin Massy (01732 851519)  
[mhmassy@btinternet.com](mailto:mhmassy@btinternet.com)

### **Parish Administrator**

Janice Massy (07570 941809)  
[office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk](mailto:office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk)

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

Reverend Paul White; Michael Payne & John Speed; Martin Massy; Val Newell (Deanery Synod rep.); Melissa Crawshay-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Janice Massy; Julia Miles; Steve Newell; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt; and other members.

### **PCC Secretary:**

Martin Massy  
[mhmassy@btinternet.com](mailto:mhmassy@btinternet.com)

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