

St Mary Riverhead with Dunton Green

2nd April 2017

Services

Sunday 2nd April - 5th Sunday in Lent

Hymns: 67, When I survey, 440, There is a redeemer

Readings: Ezek 37:1-14, Rom 8:6-11, John 11:1-45

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30am Family Communion

2nd April - 9th April

Monday 3rd April

1.45pm Tots and Toddlers

Thur 6th April

11.00am Holy Communion at Dunton Green Village Hall

Sunday 9th April - Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Readings: isa 50:4-9a, Phil 2:5-11, Matt 26:14-end

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTAKE OF COFFEE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH AFTER THIS SERVICE

The altar is the "Lord's table" not ours, so all are welcome to receive the sacrament.

However you may wish to receive a Blessing in which case please bring a service booklet with you. Either way all are welcome

EASTER LILIES

There is the usual list at the back of the church to sign for a lily in memory of a loved one. The lilies are £2.50 each and the list of names will be exhibited on the chancel steps.

EASTER SUNDAY! WALK AND BREAKFAST

Please join us for our Easter Walk – 16th April – starting at Stubb's Wood car park Goathurst Common, Ide Hill at 6am on Easter Sunday.

Further details from Diane or Ronnie

Afterwards there is breakfast in the Church Hall.

If you would like to take part in the walk, the breakfast or both just pop your name on the list at the back of Church. Any help with the breakfast would be greatly appreciated. Thank you, Susan.

BIBLE STUDY

The next meeting Monday 3rd April at 10am for 10.15am at Sarah Stott's 6, Shoreham Lane. If you are interested please come along. More information from Ronnie 458545 or Daphne 454225

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Shirley Noss, Diane Lang, June Cheeseman, Harry Garrett, Linda Mc Keeman, Jago Moss-Mc Keeman, Robin Tonge, Enid Trivass, Anne Straight, Martyn Berry, Peter Jenner, Helen Hambly, Sarah Msewing, Colin Butson, Jean Morgan, Angela Chapman

If anyone no longer needs a name to be on this list, please let Margaret Nicholas know (457324)

IN MEMORIAM

Jean Knaggs

Ruth Leavens

EASTER FLOWERS

We shall be decorating the church for Easter on Saturday 15th April between 9am - 11am. If you are able to help please sign up on church chart. Foliage and spring flowers will be needed.

Many thanks.

ELECTORAL ROLL

Lent and the lead up to the Annual Meeting is the time to take a look at the Electoral Roll. Anyone who has moved house in the past year should fill in a new form. Any young person who is reaching the age of sixteen during this coming year is entitled to go on the roll. Anyone who would like to be on the roll please fill in a form and give it to me (Margaret Nicholas) there are forms in the box at the back of the church. Being on the Electoral Roll involves you in nothing but does entitle you to have a vote at the Annual Meeting

PASSOVER SUPPER, SERVICE AND VIGIL THURSDAY 13TH APRIL 2017 IN THE HALL AT 8.00pm

If you would like to come please sign your name on the list at the back of the church and indicate if you are a vegetarian

JEAN KNAGGS

Many will be very sad to hear of the death of Jean, who was a staunch member of the church and the choir for many years. Her funeral will be held at St Mary's on Tuesday 4th April at 2pm with burial at Greatness Cemetery at 3.30pm

As Jean was a long serving and much loved member of our congregation we have decided we would like to cater for her funeral. We should be very grateful of offers of cakes for that afternoon - the savouries have been already catered for. I have put a list at the back of the church, if you could add your names and perhaps a telephone number

Thank you Margaret Nicholas

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P.T.O.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

We are a prayer triplet meeting most Monday evenings in the Lady Chapel. We pray for the church, those on the prayer list and for anyone experiencing difficult circumstances. If you feel in need of prayer for yourself or someone you know, do please make a note and pin it to the prayer board in the Lady Chapel.

Alternatively, if you wish to keep it confidential, please speak to Nicola, Daphne or Ronnie. The prayer board will be checked regularly and we will date the prayer requests each week so people know they've been prayed for. The requests will be removed after an appropriate amount of time.

However, if you have an enduring need, please repeat your request if you find it has been removed. We would love to see anyone wishing to join us either as a one off or on a permanent basis. Please speak to one of us to make sure we will be meeting on the date you are thinking of coming. We look forward to receiving your prayer requests and/or seeing you.

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER OF DEDICATION

My church is composed of people like me - I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly - if I am.

Its pews will be filled - if I help fill them.

It will do great work - if I work.

It will make generous gifts - if I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship - if I invite and bring them in.

It will be a church of love and faith - if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.

Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things I want my church to be.

Amen

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

As usual St Thomas's will hold ecumenical stations of the cross at 8 pm on Tuesday of Holy Week (11 April) As usual we're looking for readers from the other churches to join us in marking this. If you would like to read a station, or anyone at your church would, please do let me know on 07960751324 or aidan.kiely@cantab.net

RIDE AND STRIDE 2017

promotes Cyclists and Walkers travelling between Churches to raise money to help maintain Kent's Churches. This year it will take place on Saturday 9 September.

We feel younger person(s) should organise it this year, to encourage a more energetic response to the event and with cycling contacts.

Please contact Tom and Chloë 453946 for further details.

LENT LUNCHES

Friday 7th April

St Mary, Riverhead

The services are at 12.30pm lasting for about 30 minutes followed by a simple lunch. This year the charity we are supporting is "Friends of the Holy Land" and they are sending a speaker to address us briefly at each meeting.