

# St Mary Riverhead with Dunton Green

5th March 2017

## Services

### Sunday 5th March—1st Sunday in Lent

Hymns: 114, 32, 205, 336

Readings: Gen 2:15-17 3.1-7, Rom 5:12-19, Matt 4:1-11

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30am Family Service

### 5th March—12th March

Monday 6th March

1.45pm Tots and Toddlers

Thur 9th March

11.00am Holy Communion at Dunton Green Village Hall

### Sunday 12th March—2nd Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Readings: Gen 12:1-4a, Rom 4:1-5, 13-17, Matt 14:13-21

**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*

## WELCOME

We should like to extend a very warm welcome to Revd Annike Laats from her Parish of Risti in Estonia and her two children Hanna and Joosep. We very much hope they will enjoy their visit.

## CLEANING

Church cleaning next Saturday 11th March 9.00am

## THE BIG BREW

will be in St. Mary's Church hall on Friday 10th March 10-12.

## BIBLE STUDY

The next meeting on Monday 13th March at 10am for 10.15am location to be advised  
We are currently studying Philippians. 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

Pat Newton

## MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

Following on from Martin's talk last Sunday encouraging giving, and stewardship, and in particular the stewardship prayer, there is available a useful website called 40acts. 40acts is the generosity challenge for Lent, created by UK Christian charity, Stewardship. For seven years, 40acts has asked a question: what if Lent could be about more than just giving stuff up? What if it could be a time of radical generosity as well as spiritual discipline? Over the years, 40acts has become a movement of over 100,000 people on a mission to impact their communities with generosity – during Lent and beyond. Here is the link: <https://40acts.org.uk/>

## Friday March 10th at 6.30pm at Walthamstow Hall School

Nick Castell, one of our organists, who is also head of Music at Walthamstow Hall has organised a concert around our old organ which has been stripped out and refitted with a computer programme and can be used by the pupils of the school. The programme will feature performances from all parts of the school with orchestra, choirs, solos and of course the organ will be very much on show. All proceeds from the concert will be coming to St Mary's, so it would be wonderful if people would support it. Tickets are £9, either from Nick or Janet Sharp

## LITTLE COURT LUNCH CLUB

Front of house help urgently needed to welcome guests, serve lunches and tidy up.  
Only once or twice a month from 11.30 to around 1.45 on a Tuesday.  
Please see Maggie Booth, Pam Rankin or Rosemary McLintock for more information.

## HARRY GARRETT

Harry has had another fall and is once again in Pembury Hospital and would welcome visitors.

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### 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.

### PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 2018

Dear All,

As previously suggested – we are looking at the possibility of a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in late spring/summer 2018.

The trip should include visits to Bethlehem, Nazareth, Galilee, The Mount of the Beatitudes, Cana; finishing with two or three nights in Jerusalem where we shall follow the story of Christ's Passion.

There will be time for Holy Communion, prayer, reflection and fellowship.

It should not be too arduous so as many people as able can join us.

The price for this pilgrimage based on flights from Heathrow with El Al would be £1375 per person (single supplements may be necessary). It would include half board accommodation, Transfers, coaches, guides, entrance fees and gratuities.

If you are interested, would you please register your name/s with me as soon as possible, please?

At this stage there would be no commitment on your behalf. We just want to see whether such a pilgrimage is possible.

We are trying to give as much notice as possible, so those interested might like to start saving i.e. £100 per person per month set aside should cover it, we hope.

Martin

### IT TAKES TWO Building a lasting marriage

Please see the notice on the board at the back.

There is to be a very interesting meeting at Orpington Baptist Church, Station Road BR6 0RZ  
Wednesday 3rd May  
7.30 - 10.00

### ESTONIA

As mentioned previously, it would be great if some of you from St Mary's would like to join me out in Estonia when I go in July. I shall be there from Friday 7th - Tuesday 11th July. The intention would be that we join our Brothers and Sisters at Harju-Risti for their service on Sunday 9th July. Arrangements for that part of the trip will be made nearer the time, while people can make their own plans for either the week before or the week after.

If people are interested, I would be glad to give a walking tour of Tallinn Old Town on Saturday 8th.

As this is not an official church trip, people will need to make their own arrangements as to travel and accommodation, insurance, medical needs, doctor's certificates etc.

Tallinn is a fantastic place. Hotels are reasonable - stay in or near the Old Town. There are plenty of hostels and self-catering options, too. The very central Holy Spirit Church hostel is cheap and clean. The food everywhere is wholesome, often inexpensive and good quality. Coffee shops and bars all do excellent simple food, too. There are also supermarkets in the Old Town.

The easiest and cheapest way of getting there is EasyJet from Gatwick who fly Fridays and Mondays. BA go Saturdays and Tuesdays from Heathrow. Air Baltic connects through Riga, so take a little longer. Others, like SAS, Finnair, KLM, Lufthansa, Nordic Air connect to Tallinn via European cities, too, of course.

Touring around is very cheap and easy - much of it can be done by train or up-market coach (both with wifi). And I can recommend a couple of fantastic places to stay on the North or West coast. Everything from Spa hotels, to apartments, holiday villages and camp sites are available. The Baltic Sea is clean, warm(ish) and the beaches are sandy and not at all crowded. It's just about as hot as the UK in July; blue skies and sunshine are generally available!

Please let me know if you are thinking of coming.

I will hold a meeting after our 9.30 service on Sunday 12th March for all those interested.

The Rev'd Annika Laats of our link parish at Risti will visit us on Sunday March 5th, so you can speak with her, too.

### THE REFORMATION 500 YEARS ON, STILL RELEVANT?

Tuesdays in March at 8pm

14th March The Anglican Reformers  
by Dr Andrew Atherstone, Wycliffe Hall

Oxford  
21st March Justification by Faith  
Dr Justin Terry, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford

28th March The Reformation and scripture  
Dr Kirsty Birkett, Oak Hill College, London

In the Undercroft at St Nicholas Church.  
See notice board at the back