

St Mary Riverhead with Dunton Green

8th April 2018 - 2nd Sunday of Easter

Services

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Hymns: 203, 209, 216, 197

N.B. Never sing starred verses unless instructed to

Readings: Acts 4:32-35, 1 John:1.1-2.2, John 20 19-end

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Sunday 8th April - Sunday 15th April

Monday 9th April

1.45 Tots and Toddlers

Thursday 12th April

11.00am Holy Communion at Dunton Green Village Hall

Sunday April 15th April—3rd Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30am Family Eucharist

11.00am APCM

Readings: Acts 3:12-19, 1 John 3:1-7, Luke 24:36b-48

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

DAPHNE HARRISON

We are very delighted to let everyone know that Daphne Harrison is being licensed in Rochester Cathedral on Saturday 19th May at 2.30pm to serve as a Lay Minister here at St Mary's. She would love to see you at the service. If you would like to come, please speak to Ronnie Todd so we have an idea of numbers and can organise a driving rota if needed.

EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you to all the flower arrangers who decorated the church so beautifully and to all those who contributed flowers, blossom and greenery - a magnificent display.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Shirley Noss, Diane Lang, June Cheeseman, Harry Garrett, Linda Mc Keeman, Jago Moss-Mc Keeman, Robin Tonge, Martyn Berry, Peter Jenner, Helen Hambly, Sarah Mewing, Colin Butson, Roger Sutton, Tim Callaway, Andrew Vincent, Brian Holmes

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

IN MEMORIAM

John King
Anne Lane

DRIVING ROTA

Volunteer Drivers needed: We are in urgent need of volunteer drivers to bring two of our congregation to church each Sunday. A driver with a helper is advisable to ensure the safe transfer of the people into and out of the car. If you would be willing to go on a rota we would be extremely pleased to hear from you. Obviously the more drivers we have, the better it will be. Please speak to Ronnie Todd or John Curtis for more information.

APCM

APCM next Sunday 15th April in Church at 11.00am after 9.30am service

CHURCH ACCOUNTS

If anyone has any queries about the church accounts, the Treasurer Stuart Wigley will be happy to discuss them with you in the Church after the service today

HARRY GARRETT

27th April is Harry's 100th birthday. On Sunday 29th April the church will be holding a party at 5.30pm in the hall to celebrate the occasion. Everyone is invited but it would be useful to have some idea of roughly how many people we are catering for. We should also be grateful for offers of sandwiches, savouries and cakes. At the back of the church you will find two lists and we would be most grateful if you would add your names in the appropriate places.

Thank you, The Events Committee

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.PRAYER REQUESTS

If you are in need of prayer for yourself or someone you know, some of us meet in the Lady Chapel on most Monday mornings, at 9.30 for prayer. Please pin your prayer request to the prayer board in the Lady Chapel. The prayer board is checked regularly and we date the prayer requests each time we meet. 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. If you wish to keep your request confidential, please let Daphne or Ronnie know; mobile numbers below. If you would like to join us we would love to see you, either as a one off or on a regular basis. We look forward to receiving your prayer requests and/or seeing you -
D: 07779 834195. R: 07736 674357.

TERRY WAITE TO VISIT OTFORD

Terry Waite, as the international envoy for the Archbishop of Canterbury during the 1980s, successfully negotiated the release of British hostages, first from Iran and then from Libya. Then, when trying to do the same in Lebanon, he was himself taken captive and held for nearly five years - most of that time in solitary confinement.

To mark the completion of their reordering and redecoration project, St Bartholomew's Church, Otford will be welcoming Terry Waite for a special evening on Saturday 19th May at 6.30pm, when Terry will be in conversation with former BBC broadcaster, Nick Page. This will be followed by a reception with canapés, and Terry's books will be available to be bought - and signed.

Tickets for this evening cost £20 and are available now from the church office (st.bartholomews@otford.net) and from Joan Beacom (01959) 524304.

TULIP DISPLAY

Bishopscourt is holding a 'NGS pop-up' Open Garden for tulips on Saturday 21st April from 11.00am - 2.00pm. Entry £4.00. Refreshments available. 24 St Margaret's Street, Rochester, ME1 1TS
Any queries please contact
Bridget Lang-
staff_bridget.langstaff@btinternet.com

THE WORLD IS OUR 'CLOISTER'

A day to craft a 'Rule of Life' that will help your 'cloister' walk

Facilitated by Marion Syms

Sat 16 Jun

10-3 pm, St Benedict's Centre, West Malling, Kent.

Just as Monastic Communities need to craft a Rule of Life that will nourish their communal life in the cloister, so we need a 'rule' to hold onto as we walk with God along our pathway in the world. Like a tender plant, we grow best when loosely secured to a supportive 'trellis'.

Our workshop will start by distilling wisdom from the monastic traditions to provide a foundation from which we can each start to craft our own individual trellis ('rule') that will gently support us on our journey.

In her working life, Marion found much in the Celtic and Monastic traditions that helped bring a flexible rhythm, balance and unity to her discipleship and secular life. In retirement, Marion is passionate about helping others find their own rhythm to enable them to 'become present to the presence of God' in their everyday lives. She is now engaged in spiritual direction, supervision and counselling and, as a member of the Portsmouth Spirituality Network, teaches on the Diocesan Christian Spirituality and Spiritual Direction Training programmes.

Bring your own lunch, tea and coffee will be provided, a donation towards the day.

To book please contact Rev Susanne Carlsson

LENT LUNCHES

Hello Friends

Whilst this year we lost one day due to the snow and overall I feel our numbers were down, I am delighted to advise that the total giving for Porchlight has exceeded any amount we have achieved in the past and I am able to send a total of £1,250 to them. Of this amount I have included a 'rounding up' donation from our funds of £19 and a total of £771 was Gift Aided, in addition to CAF cheques. So I would expect that Porchlight can extend these figures in excess of a further £150.

I am sure that the presence of Nathan Tough from Torchlight at each meeting and his clarity in explaining why our money was needed helped no end in such a good response. Thank you to everybody and an especial thank you to all the ladies and gentlemen at each of the churches for their time and effort in preparing for us the excellent lunches, which make these services such a pleasant and 'special' occasion.