

St Mary Riverhead with Dunton Green

18th March 2018 - 5th Sunday of Lent

Services

Sunday 18th March - 5th Sunday of Lent

Hymns: 184, 143, 147, 153

N.B. Never sing starred verses unless instructed to

Readings:

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30am Family Eucharist

18th March - 25th March

Monday 19th March

1.45pm Tots and Toddlers

Thursday 22nd March

11.00am Holy Communion at Dunton Green Village Hall

Sunday 25th March - Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

9.30 am Parish Eucharist with procession

Readings: Isa 50:4-9a, Mark 15:1-39

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

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 Msewing, Colin Butson, Roger Sutton, Tim Callaway, Andrew Vincent

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

IN MEMORIAM

Mary Wigger
Kenneth Keer
Kathleen Ford

PREPARING FOR EASTER Saturday 24th March 10.00 - Noon

Details of this event are on the handout sheet but we would be very grateful for donations for any of the Activities that you might feel would be useful. Flowers, foliage, small containers for table centres, containers for an Easter Garden, blank cards and anything else you think of. Contact Daphne 07779 834195

BIBLE STUDY

The group are meeting in the Lady Chapel on the Mondays between now and Easter, they are March 19,26. and studying the first five chapters of Romans. We meet at 10.00am for 10.15am and everyone is welcome. More details from Daphne 07779 834195 or Ronnie 07736 674357

PLEASE NOTE TOMORROW'S MEETING WILL BE HELD AT CHRISTINE SMITH'S

EASTER

Please note that the list for Easter lilies is at the back of the church if you would like to purchase a lily in memory of a loved one.

There is a list at the back for those wishing to partake in the Easter Walk and or breakfast.

APPEAL: Is there anyone who would be prepared to be in the hall around 7.00am to assist prepare the breakfast. We are desperately short of help. Talk to Margaret Nicholas or Ronnie

EASTER FLOWER ARRANGING

We shall be decorating the church for Easter on Saturday 31 March 9.30am - 11.30am. Spring flowers, blossom and foliage would be most welcome. There is a chart of the church on the notice board do please sign up if you are willing to do an arrangement. Many thanks.

ENVELOPES

New stewardship envelopes are in the pigeon Holes

BIG BREW

Many thanks to everyone who took the time to come along to the Big Brew last Saturday. We made £35 for Traidcrafts hidden Entrepreneur appeal.

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P.T.O.

.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.

ELECTORAL ROLL

The time has come when we need to review the Electoral Roll. We shall need a completely new one next year and everyone will have to fill in new forms. However, for this year we only require that anyone who wishes to join and any young person who attains the age of sixteen in the coming year completes a form. A person on the Electoral Roll is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting and to be married in the Parish Church even if you reside outside the Parish boundaries. It also enables us to keep in touch if you are in trouble. There are forms in the rack at the back of the church and they should be handed to Margaret Nicholas

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Dear all,

As in previous years I am writing to let you know St Thomas's will hold an ecumenical Stations of the Cross at 8 pm on Holy Tuesday 27 March to which your members are warmly invited.

As in previous years we are looking for readers from other churches to help us mark this by reading a short reflection at one of the stations.

If you or any of your readers would be willing to support with this, please do let me know.

Aidan Kiely Email: Aidan.kiely@cantab.net

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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

PCC

PCC Tuesday 20th March at 7pm in the Church Hall

APCM Sunday 15th April in Church after 9.30am service

LENT LUNCHES

This year the lunches are being served on

Friday 23/3/18 St Johns URC

Service at 12.30pm Lunch served at 1.00pm (Soup, bread, cake and a hot drink) There will be a Speaker from this year's charity, Porchlight