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St. Mary's Church

*A still point in a
turning world.
T S Eliot*

 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

 Diocese of
Rochester

The Parish Church of Riverhead with Dunton Green, Kent;
now part of the West Sevenoaks Team Ministry

Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 9th May - The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Please find below the weekly newsletter which has details of our services this week and upcoming events.

If you have any event or prayer request which you would like included in upcoming newsletters then please let Andy have any items by lunchtime on Thursday.

This week sees the start of Thy Kingdom Come with our joint Ascension Day service to be held at St Lukes on the 13th May. This will also be available on zoom. For the next 10 days I would encourage us to think of up to 5 people we know who do not yet know Jesus and to pray for them. Next week (from the 17th to the 21st) there will be an opportunity to come together each evening to pray together. Please see below for more details.

Finally, over the last couple of weeks our talks have helped us to think about what does it mean to "remain" or "abide" in Jesus. We have thought how as disciples it is important to spend time praying and reading the Bible. This week I share details of the Bible Course, which I hope to be able to run through June and July as an opportunity for a small group to get to know the Bible better.

Andy

Worship This Sunday

8am

BCP Said Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion Service
This service is taking place in church and live streamed on zoom.
Meeting ID: 616 146 1466 Password: Shoreham01

9:30am Sunday Club
Our Sunday Club meets on zoom during our 9:30am service. A link will be sent separately.

6:30pm Team Evensong by Zoom (Open from 6:15pm)
Meeting ID: 814 9810 6394 Passcode: 168200

Please join us at any of our services this weekend
The hymns and readings for our 9:30am service can be found below
[Click here to download the hymns/readings](#)
[Click here to find the hymns/readings sheet on our website](#)

Requests for Prayer
Please remember in your prayers:
Cheryl Davies, Judy Borrowman,

Events this week

Monday

9:45am Bible Study Group – Please contact Daphne for more information.

Tuesday

7:00 Team Prayers by Zoom
Meeting ID: 815 0902 9021; Passcode: 218012

8:00 Our PCC meets this week - please be praying for this meeting.

Wednesday

8:00pm Compline
Meeting ID: 616 146 1466 Password: Shoreham01

Thursday

11:00am Coffee Morning (zoom)
Please contact Daphne for the log in details.

7:30pm Team Ascension Day Service
Service is at St Lukes and live streamed on Zoom
Meeting ID: 885 9464 6445 Passcode: 278252

Other Notices

THIS SUNDAY- Church Zoom Concert 5pm Sunday 9th May.

(Zoom will be open from 4:45pm)

Everyone is invited to attend this short informal concert.

Four talented members of our congregation will be performing live from their homes.

Friends and family are welcome, the more the merrier!

We shall be raising money for our lovely church.

The log in for the concert will be:

Meeting ID:616 146 1466 Password:Concert

A downloadable programme will be available this week from our website.

It promises to be an enjoyable musical interlude, do please join us.

Ascension Day - 13th May

An order of service is available from Church this week or on our website. (I apologise that the version on the website is a scan in PDF format, but we have not been provided with an electronic version and so this was the best way of making the paper version available online.)

Thy Kingdom Come - 13th May to 23rd May.

Thy Kingdom Come is 10 days of Prayer between Ascension Day and Pentecost. At our Team Service for Ascension Day we are going to be encouraged to think of 5 people who we know that don't know Jesus and to pray for them for 10 days. Our prayers join with many other Christians around the world as we pray for more people to come to know Jesus.

Between May 17th and May 21st there is the opportunity to meet together on zoom each night at 7pm to pray Evening Prayer together and to pray for the 5 people we have chosen. (Meeting ID: 815 0902 9021; Passcode: 218012)

Please begin to pray and think about the people God might be placing on our hearts to be praying for.

I also have some resources to help us pray during this period.

For Families there is a prayer adventure map - designed for families it uses your phone to have stories, videos and games to help your family pray through Thy Kingdom Come.

There are also copies of a Prayer journal which has a short reflection written by the Archbishop of York to pray and reflect upon, each of the 10 days from Ascension to Pentecost.

Copies are available in Church this week - if you would like one delivered then please let Andy know.

Note from Anne Blakeley

Dear All

I completed the 100km in 21days and so far have raised £350 . There is still time to donate please get any donations to me before 13th May .

envelope through my door (please email for address) or donate using the Facebook fundraising page

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👤 From 8th March The UK Government is going to be DOUBLING every one of your donations, meaning that the challenge will have TWICE the impact.

How your fundraising will be

used. <https://business.facebook.com/TraidcraftExchange/videos/249797840020433/>

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Thank you to those who have donated so far.

Anne

Loaves and Fishes

Margaret Holman would like to thank everyone for the massive support which they have been giving to this worthy cause Sadly there is probably an even greater need for this service during these very difficult times for us all. If you are shopping for food etc if you can pop something extra into your basket I am sure it would be greatly appreciated. Margaret Holman at 2 Cranmer Road has a basket in her porch into which goods can be placed and she will undertake to deliver them to St John's

Items particularly requested at present are:- Chicken in White Sauce, Tuna, Tinned Ham, Custard, and Tinned Fruit

The Bible Course



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The Bible Course is a course designed by the Bible Society to help us
Explore the BIG story.

If you have never looked at the Bible before or you would like to go deeper, the Bible Course shows you how the key books, famous characters and epic events form one BIG story, from Genesis to Revelation.

You will also learn skills to help you apply the Bible to everyday life.

Each session will last just over an hour and has a video, content to read and discuss.

If you would like to join then please let Andy know on revandyfinn@outlook.com.

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