

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 13th June - The Second Sunday after Trinity

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 our Gospel reading has Jesus describing how the Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed. A mustard seed is very, very small but when it grows can be a large plant. Something very small has the potential for amazing growth. As we reflect upon these words this week, often we can feel very small and insignificant but God can cause amazing growth in us. As we move forward over the coming months - can we be praying for God to bring about amazing growth in our church community?

Andy

Worship This Sunday

8am	BCP Said Holy Communion Church Only
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)**
Bible readings: Ruth 1 and Acts 9: 1 - 31.
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, John Jenkins

Other Notices

NEXT SUNDAY 20th JUNE - Meelis Suld

Next Sunday we will be joined at our 9:30 service by Meelis Suld. Some of you may recall that St Marys had a link with the Harju -Risit Congregation in Estonia. Meelis is from Estonia and is spending several months over here, working in a parish in London. Barry and Janet Sharp met him when they were in Estonia in 2019, at a reunion with our link parish of Harju-Risti, as he is a member of their congregation. Meelis is an Ordinand and Assistant to the Bishop, Lutheran Church in Great Britain.

He is also a Journalist-Producer with Estonian Public Broadcasting.

Please come along and make him welcome during our service next week.

Invitation to any from the three churches for a walk around each of our respective parishes:

We felt it would be a good idea to have an opportunity to walk around our parish boundaries to enable as many in our congregations to have an enjoyable stroll; enjoy fellowship and to get to know each other's parishes better. The guide will be

each of the Team Vicar's and we will start at each church (parking if needed). Each evening will begin at 7pm.

St Luke's - Wednesday 30th of June

St Mary the Virgin - Monday 19th of July

St Mary - Wednesday 1st of September

Just turn up!

Can you help?

Being part of the church family it is good to be able to use our gifts to help and support each other. As we emerge from lockdown we are conscious that there are areas of our Church life with which we would value the support of congregational members with. We are particularly looking to find help with our Church Buildings and with Finance to support our Treasurer. If you think that you have skills or time to be able to help in this area then please have a chat with Stuart or Andy as we would love for your help in these areas of our church life. Thank you.

Retirement of Bishop James

Bishop James, our diocesan Bishop is retiring at the end of July 2021 having been our diocesan Bishop for over ten years. There will be a special service of farewell which will take place on July 3rd in Rochester Cathedral. The diocese is planning to make a gift to Bishop James at that service on the 3rd July. If you would like to contribute to a gift for Bishop James then the church has set up a giving page to make this possible. Please click here to find out how you can donate to this gift.

[Donate for a gift to Bishop James](#)

Loaves and Fishes

Margaret Holman would like to thank everyone for the massive support which they have been giving to this worthy cause

Events this week

Monday

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

Tuesday

There are no Team Prayers this week.

8:00 There is a joint meeting of the 3 PCCs this week about supporting our Team Curate - 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.

Sunday 20th June

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Morning Prayer - To include an interview with Meelis Süld (see above).

If you need to contact us then please email:

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