

*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 18th July - The Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

Welcome to our services this week.

This morning we are excited to have the Myatt Family join us for the Baptism of Joseph at our Morning Service. Please be praying for Joseph and his family as we welcome Joseph into the Church Family.

I am conscious that this week, the lifting of restrictions may have mixed emotions for many. At the time of writing we still await the official guidance from the central church. I shall hopefully be able to say more about this on Sunday but as we move forward, let us be mindful that we are one body with a variety of different feelings at work. I recognise that people will have a variety of opinions on the lifting of restrictions (eg. Masks and Singing) and that what feels comfortable for one person may feel uncomfortable for others. So let us, please, be mindful of others and respect the different feelings at this time.

Andy

### **Worship This Sunday**

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| <b>8am</b>    | <b>BCP Said Holy Communion<br/>Church Only</b>   |
| <b>9:30am</b> | <b>Morning Prayer to include a Baptism<br/>(Please see below for the order of service)<br/>This service is taking place in church and<br/>live streamed on zoom.</b> |

**Meeting ID: 616 146 1466 Password: Shoreham01**

**2:45pm      The Gathering  
Meets at Dunton Green Primary School.**

**6:30pm      Evensong  
Bible readings: Jeremiah 11: 18 – end and Luke 9: 43 - 48  
Meeting ID: 814 9810 6394      Passcode: 168200**

**Please join us at any of our services this weekend**

**This Sunday Morning our Order of Service includes a Baptism so please click below for the order of service which has the Baptism, Hymns and Readings in.**

[Click here to download the order of service for the 18th July](#)

[Click here to find the hymns/readings sheet on our website](#)

Requests for Prayer

Please remember in your prayers:

Cheryl Davies, John Jenkins, Geoff and Julia Holland, the family and friends of Beryl Houson.

### We need you!!

We are rather short of people to undertake roles within our church community at present. In particular we really need sides people. This is an important role in welcoming people and to help with the smooth running of the services. If you think you can serve the church in this way then please do chat with Andy. It is not an onerous role and the more people who volunteer the easier it becomes!

Thank you.  
Andy

Other Notices

**Walk around the Parishes: ST MARY THE VIRGIN - THIS WEEK!**

This week is the walk around the parish of St Mary the Virgin, Riverhead with Dunton Green. Please come along as we learn about the Parish and pray for the community too. 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 Mary the Virgin - Monday 19th of July

St Mary - Wednesday 1st of September

Just turn up!

**8am service times during clergy holidays.**

Please note that with the PCC's approval it was agreed that instead of arranging outside cover for an 8am service when team clergy are away, one of the 8am service times on that Sunday is cancelled. Each church's 8am service time being cancelled on an equal basis.

Please kindly note therefore:

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of August. **No 8am service at St. Luke's** (8am services at St Mary the Virgin and St Mary Kippington as normal)

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of August. **No 8am service at St. Mary the Virgin** (8am services at St Luke's and St Mary Kippington as normal)

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> of August. **No 8am service at St. Mary Kippington** (8am services at St Mary the Virgin and St Luke's as normal)

**Compline**

This week sees the last of our Compline meetings before a Summer break. Having reflected on Compline over the last few months I am keen to keep Compline a part of our worship in September. I am conscious however that the timing makes it difficult for me to meet with people. I would like to propose that from September we either move Compline to 7pm OR to 9pm. If you have particular preference or would like to offer any thoughts on this then please let Andy know.

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

**Kent Ride & Stride**

This fantastic event will take place again this year on Saturday 11th September 2021.

Participants plan their own routes with the assistance of a printed list of churches and chapels [open](#).. There are usually some 700 of these places of worship open, scattered right across this big county, and wherever you go you'll be assured of a warm welcome. Go individually, as a couple, with friends and family, with a cycling club, with your work colleagues, with school friends, with choirs, with a sports team – whoever you wish.

50% of all sponsorship money raised can go to the church or chapel of your choice, with the other 50% going to the Friends of Kent Churches, who distribute it by grant aid to help the most needy churches in the county.

### Steve

This September we look forward to Steve and his wife Emma joining the Team as Steve is ordained Deacon and serves his Curacy in the Team. As we prepare for Steve to join us, let us be praying for him. You may wish to use the following prayer.

**A prayer for Steve, our Curate coming to join us in September:** Grant your grace, O God our Father, to all those in this diocese who will be ordained Deacon this September. We pray for our new Curate Steve, and his wife Emma. Through his curacy with us make him what you would have him to be, so that by your blessing on the formation of his priestly ministry here, he may be made a blessing. May your guidance be upon all those in our Team who will help in Steve's training, and may he know from all of us the gift of our friendship and prayers, as we prepare to welcome him, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### 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.

7:00pm Parish Walk

#### Tuesday

**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 25th July**

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

6:30pm Team Evensong

*If you need to contact us then please email:*

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