

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 23rd May - Pentecost Sunday

This Sunday we gather to celebrate Pentecost - what has often been called the Birthday of the Church. As we remember the encounter with the Holy Spirit on that day, we see Peter empowered and telling others the Good News of Jesus. This Sunday also marks the end of Thy Kingdom Come. Pentecost reminds us that the praying and telling others the Good News does not stop beyond today. The Holy Spirit came to help us tell the Good News to others in the same way that Peter did that first Pentecost. Let us keep those people we have been praying for in our prayers over the coming weeks and pray for God's Holy Spirit to help us be witnesses to the Good News.

I have also mentioned the Bible Course which we will be running for 8 weeks starting in June. A few people have come forward to take part in this course which is a great opportunity to learn more about Gods Big Story. Please do take the time to look at the videos on our website which give a taster and overview of the course. Please see the notice below. I would really encourage you to come and find out more.

Andy

*Please find below 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.*

Worship This Sunday

- 8am** **BCP Said Holy Communion**
Church Only
- 9:30am** **Holy Communion**
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**
Bible readings: Isaiah 11: 1 – 9 & Galatians 5: 13 – end
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](#)

Events this week

Monday

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

Tuesday

7:00pm Team Prayers

Meeting ID: 815 0902 9021; Passcode: 218012

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 30th May

9:30am All Age Communion Service for Trinity Sunday

This service will be taking place in church and live streamed on zoom.

Meeting ID: 616 146 1466 Password: Shoreham01

The Bible Course



The Bible Course

Starting on the 6th June

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.

Starting on Sunday June 6th, meeting weekly for 8 evenings at 7:30pm I invite you to join a small group on Zoom to look at the Bible together.

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.

[For an overview of the course or to find out more please watch the video on our website](#)

Other Notices

Annual Meeting of the Soldier's and Airmen's Scripture Readers Association in Sevenoaks (SASRA)

I have been sent information about the The Annual SASRA in Sevenoaks meeting. It will take place on Monday 21st June at St Nicholas Church at 8pm. Colonel John Lewis, the chairman of SASRA will be the guest speaker. An open invitation has been given for any congregational members who wish to attend.

Children Society

Margaret Holman and I met with a representative from the Children's society this last week to find out more about their current work. They are extremely thankful to Margaret, Karen and all the church members who have supported them through the boxes and Christingle service over recent years. We are hoping that someone from the Children's Society may come and speak at a service later in the year. To find out more about their work and their latest campaigns please do look at our website (under Mission and Outreach) for their latest news.

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

A number of people have asked about printing this newsletter. If you wish to be able to print this newsletter then please use the PDF version on our website which is a better version for printing.

If you need to contact us then please email:

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