St Mary Riverhead with Dunton Green

19th May 2019 - 5th Sunday of Easter

Services Sunday 19th May—Easter 5

Hymns: 754, 430, 721, 671

Readings: Acts 11:1-18, Rev 21:1-6, John 13:31-35 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 or p293)

Revd Peter Flynn

9.30am Family Eucharist with Baptism -

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Sunday 19th May - 26th May

Monday 20th May

1.45pm—3.45pm Tots and Toddlers

Thur 23rd May

11.00am Holy Communion — Dunton Green Village

Hall

Sunday 26th May 6th Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP p236 orp293)

Revd Lynette Leithead

9.30am Family Eucharist - Revd Lynette Leithead Readings: Acts 16:9-15,Rev 21:10,22-22.5,John 14:23-29

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

ASCENSIOIN DAY 30th May 2019

Please note that we shall be joining St Lukes for this service. Time to be advised

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGED TIME OF SERVICE FOR 9TH JUNE WHEN BISHOP MICHAEL NAZIR-ALI WILL BE OFFICIATING THE TIME IS 10am

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Shirley Noss, Diane Lang, Linda Mc Keeman, Martyn Berry, Peter Jenner, Helen Hambly, Sarah Seuwing, Roger Sutton, Tim Callaway, Andrew Vincent, Alf Dellow, Harry Garrett

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

IN MEMORIAM

Betty Gilbert Gordon Farrow Kenneth Ford

VICARAGE GARDEN

We are looking for volunteers for a rota to care for the vicarage garden during the interregnum. Maggie made a splendid effort to get it in really nice order and it would be a great shame to allow it to go to rack and ruin

THY KINGDOM COME AT ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL SATURDAY 8 JUNE 12NOON - 4PM

"Come and See" Beacon Event for all ages. Bring a picnic and bring a friend for a fun afternoon with music, singing, prayer ministry, labyrinth, interactive displays, puppets, be a monk tour, bell ringing and much more. At 3pm there will be an informal act of worship lead by the Bishop of Tonbridge. Do hope there is lots of interest in this so if you think you might be please write your name on the list at the back of the church giving an indication of the number of people in your group. Help with transport or even a coach could be arranged.

THY KINGDOM COME AT ST MARY'S THURSDAY 30 MAY - SUNDAY 9 JUNE ASCENSION TO PENTICOST

This is the perfect time for everyone to share the good news of Jesus Christ with friends and family. To help with this we would ask everyone to make a string of paper people to display around the church. Templates are available at back of church (an A4 sheet makes 3). Join together family and/or friends who are already church members but importantly add a few who might like to be. Pray for those people and invite them to join us. You may dress your people and add first names if you wish. This is for all ages so do please take part. Thank you.

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.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.

LITTLECOURT LUNCH CLUB

Our weekly Church lunch club has an urgent need for people to help with putting out tables on a Tuesday morning from 10am to 10.30am preferably on a regular basis but not necessarily every week. There is already one person helping with this each week so you would never be on your own. If you can help, please contact Deirdre Montanaro on deirdremontanaro@hotmail.com or telephone 01732 455435

FLOWER FESTIVAL

"A Celebration of Colour" - inspired by Colours in The Bible, with musical interludes - St Mary's Church Kippington Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd June 10am - 4pm - Admission Free - part of Sevenoaks Summer Festival - Flower arrangements by members of Kippington Church, St Luke's & St Mary's Riverhead.

On Saturday at 8pm concert by Elektra Violin Duo tickets £10 online at Festival Box Office.

STOP PRESS NEWS

The husband of the minister of the Drive Methodists, Robin, died suddenly on 15th May. Please pray for Revd. Gill and her children Isabella, Noah, Eva and Elsa and Robin's parents

LOAVES AND FISHES

Please do not forget Loaves and Fishes. There is still a very real need for your contributions. It is hard to believe that in Sevenoaks there would be a necessity but the churches are now supporting in the region of 50 families in the district.

For foodstuffs, please ensure that items have a minimum shelf-life of three months, i.e. tinned meat/pasta/beans/veg/fruit/rice/custard/tomato/brown sauce, mayonnaise/salad cream/savoury/sweet biscuits. Milk and fruit juice should be UHT, washing powders and cleaning materials.

KERRY WEST ORPHANAGE, UGANDA:

If you wish to knit or have knitted garments for the orphanage please contact Margaret Nicholas

BISHOP MICHAEL NAZIR-ALI THY KINGDOM COME 9th JUNE at 10.00am

As explained at the Family service last Sunday, we are planning to make this a really joyful occasion when we thank God for the past and re-commit ourselves to serving Him in the future through all we do at St Mary's. The aim is to make the service a friendly ,happy, relaxed and easy event for anyone new to come to, followed by a 'bring your own picnic' afterwards.

We plan to do this is by praying for, and reaching out to friends and family members.

Firstly, we are asking everyone from church, or with links to the church to make a chain of people to represent their friends and family – especially those they are praying for and planning to invite to join the celebrations. We will be putting these people chains up round the church from next Sunday onwards so hopefully there is a continuous line of people encircling the church by June 9. There is a template at the back of church for use to make your people chain.

We are also asking every church group or organisation to write a prayer of thanksgiving and re-dedication.

When we have all the prayers in we will produce these in a simple booklet with space at the end for a personal prayer. PLEASE COULD WE HAVE ALL PRAYERS IN TO MARGARET NICHOLAS BY SUNDAY MAY 26th At the service the booklet will be dedicated and each group/organisation can place a symbol which represents them on a table near the altar as an act of dedication.