

NOTICES

CONGRATULATIONS to our Rector, the Revd Kathryn Windsor, who was one of the first women to be ordained Priest 25 years ago this week – see the Revd Rupert Toovey's article in various local newspapers and also the June edition of 3 Heralds. Congratulations also to the Revd Jacquie Peal who was also ordained Priest the same year.

ROGATION SUNDAY - 26 May 2019 It is all too easy to take our daily food for granted, forgetting that every bit of it is the result of the work of farmers and growers. On Rogation Sunday we ask for a blessing on the land, and on those who work to produce our food.

ASCENSION DAY - Thursday, 30 May 2019 This festival celebrates the completion of Christ's earthly ministry. There will be Prayer Book Holy Communion at 10.30 am as usual on Thursdays, and **Ascension Day service at 7.30 pm.**

MISSION ACTION PLAN – UPDATE

The comments made on the Draft MAP are now on the Church's webpage. The responses are helpful, but do not immediately lead to specific actions with wide agreement. Mindful also of the comments made on the need for a more prayerful approach, it is considered that further reflection and listening is required to crystallise action points and to encourage commitment to the action plan. As part of this process, a half day "away" is proposed, open to everyone, to further the MAP.

Sunday, 23 June, 2pm-5pm at the Old School

A time to pray, listen and share to help focus on the priorities for our Church. Further details nearer the time. *Simon Emerson*

NEWCOMERS TO THIS CHURCH If this is the first time you are visiting our Church please fill in your name and address on one of the green cards (they are near the entrance door of the Church) and give it to one of the Clergy or Churchwardens. New people are constantly moving in and we try to get to know them as quickly as possible and make them feel at home among friends.

CHRISTIANS IN STORRINGTON INTER-CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS - First Tuesday of each month at 10am in Our Lady of England RC Church (side Chapel). These meetings last for 30 minutes and Christians from many different churches in and around Storrington get together to pray for Storrington and the world. It is quite informal and everyone is most welcome. Further details from Charles or Felicity Hadley.

LIKE A VISIT? We are already visiting local people who enjoy us calling on them from time to time for a friendly chat. If you or anyone you know would like such a visit please contact the Revd Rob Wall (743713), PARISH VISITING TEAM, St Mary's Church, Storrington.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Maxwell Smith; Annette Cole; Jim Wells; Pam Tunnell; Ron Ham; Sue and John Taylor; Cathy McAllister; Peter Buchanan; Rachel Martin; Caroline Anne; Betty Moss; Anna Burt; Nancy Parsons; Robert Perrin; Val Cafferkey; Annette Smith; Jack Stone; Joy Davies; Audrey Wade; Daphne Semmons.

Remember with thanksgiving: *John Binks; John Tunnell.*

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

2 June 2019 SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

8.00 am Holy Communion TBC

10.00 am Parish Communion

*Celebrant and Preacher: TBC
Acts 16: 16-34; St John 17: 20-end*

6.00 pm Evensong TBC

*Ps 99; Ephesians 4: 7-16; St Luke 24: 44-end
Readers: Lueen Francis / Andrew Hammock*

Storrington Parish Church

St. Mary's, Church Street

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NEWS SHEET

26 May 2019

ROGATION SUNDAY

8.00 am Holy Communion *the Revd Charles Hadley*

10.00 am Parish Communion

Celebrant and Preacher: the Revd Charles Hadley

Hymn 539 Let all creation dance

First Reading Acts 16: 9-15 *Lee Smith*

Second Reading Revelation 21:10 - 22:1-5 *Pat Jenkins*

Gradual Hymn 649 God of mercy, God of grace

Holy Gospel St John 5: 1-9 *the Revd Charles Hadley*

Sermon *the Revd Charles Hadley*

Prayers *the Revd Rob Wall*

Offertory 494 I, the Lord of sea and sky

Music during Communion:

(Handbells) Be still, for the presence of the Lord

(Choir) 553(i) Touch the earth lightly

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Final Hymn 546 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

11.45 am Baptism Service *the Revd Jacquie Peal*

Candidate: Iris Emma Lia Copeland (daughter of Nicola and Ian)

6.00 pm Evensong *the Revds John and Jacquie Peal*

Ps 126; 127; Zephania 3: 14-end; St Matthew 28: 1-10, 16-end

Readers: Clive Granger / Wendy Davies

The Rector (the Revd Kathryn Windsor) will take Friday as her day off. The Revd Charles Hadley will take Tuesdays.

RECTORY OFFICE OPEN THIS WEEK ON:

Tuesday and Thursday – 10am - 1pm

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Monday, 27 May *Bank Holiday*

8.00 am Rotary Club Car Boot Sale - Library Car Park
No Handbell practice in Church

Tuesday, 28 May

Lanfranc, 1089

8.30 am Morning Prayer in Church

5.30 pm Orchard Gardens Home Group – see Notices

Wednesday, 29 May

8.30 am Morning Prayer in Church

Thursday, 30 May

Josephine Butler, 1906

8.30 am Morning Prayer in Church

10.30 am Holy Communion - *the Rector*

7.30 pm Ascension Day Service

Friday, 31 May

VISIT OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TO ELIZABETH

6.40 pm Choir practice (ends 7.45 pm)

7.45 pm Bellringing Practice

Saturday, 1 June

Justin, c.165

7.00 pm (for 7.30pm start) Paella & Quiz Evening –

see Notices



CHURCH CLEANING TEAM ...

Can you spare an hour to help the Holy Dusters? We need some more volunteers to help keep our Church clean and welcoming. If you are able to help please contact Jeannie Watten on 742542. Thank you so much.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK



Thank you to all supporters and counters, and special thanks to all who collected for this really worthwhile cause. Last minute envelopes are coming in and an additional amount will be reclaimed via Gift Aid. The final total for Christian Aid will be known in a couple of weeks.
Anna Forster

Diocesan Planning for the future ...

In 2015 a new five-year diocesan strategy was launched. As the five years draw to an end the Diocese is consulting on the strategic focus for the next five years, building on the last five.

Part of the consultation will be at meetings in each deanery, where one of the three bishops will outline the current thinking and listen to your feedback. Everyone is invited to attend **the next Deanery Synod for the Storrington Deanery which will be held in St Mary's Church, Storrington, on Wednesday, 27 June 2019 (7pm for 7.30pm). Bishop Mark of Horsham will be speaking at this meeting.**

Whether or not you are able to attend, the Diocese would love to hear your feedback and invite anyone to complete a survey which can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DRFRW7Y> and should take no more than 6 minutes to complete.

Please note that the survey is completely anonymous – not even IP addresses will be collected. So please do be completely honest, and give your real views.

Collection for the Bishop of Horsham

The Bishop of Horsham, the Rt Revd Mark Sowerby, will be leaving the diocese this summer. As well as being Bishop of Horsham, Bishop Mark is known throughout the diocese from his other roles as chair of the Diocesan Board of Education and his role in Safeguarding.

There will be a leaving collection and if anyone would like to donate to the Parish donation to the diocese, please give it to the Treasurer, David Rice, or the Churchwardens, or Viv Stuart at the Rectory Office.
Kathryn

ORCHARD GARDENS HOME GROUP

The Orchard Gardens Bible Study Home Group **re-started on TUESDAY, 7 MAY (5.30 to 7 pm)** at 23 Orchard Gardens, opposite St. Mary's Church, Storrington.

A 7-week study on Proverbs and then perhaps on Revelation later in the year. Very friendly and welcoming group open to everybody. If we have enough people we divide into two groups. Enquiries: 741590; rebekahardy@gmail.com.

WE NO LONGER NEED CHOCOLATE ...

WE NEED BOTTLES!

Further to our request for chocolate we have reconsidered and have decided that it will be easier if we have a **Bottle Tombola** at the **Storrington Village Day on 29 June** instead.

We will be grateful if you can please leave any bottle donations (eg shower gel, tomato sauce, wine, cola, etc) in the Rectory Office (open Tues and Thurs mornings) or give to Kathryn or Amanda. Offers of help on the day will also be very welcome!



KNITTERS WANTED!

Could you knit a teddy for tragedies? Suitable for beginners or experts, these teddies are sent overseas to children in orphanages, refugee camps and hospitals for comfort. They are quick and easy to knit and a pattern is available from the Rectory Office, or online: teddiesfortragedies.org.uk, or contact Amanda Hislop on 01903 743700 for more info and completed teddies.

Would you like to join the St Mary's Band of Handbell Ringers?

Come and learn to play handbells - we need more players and we practise in Church on Monday mornings at 10am. New players are very welcome.



PAELLA & QUIZ EVENING

Come and enjoy a relaxed, fun evening with good company at the Old School, Storrington

Saturday, 1 June 7 for 7.30pm

Tickets: £12.50 available from Barbara Buchanan (741916) or the Rectory Office (Tues & Thurs 10am – 1pm)

Please bring your own drinks – glasses can be provided

Everyone welcome - Quiz teams will be made up on the night

In aid of St Mary's Church, Storrington



CHEMIN NEUF COMMUNITY

The Priory, School Lane, Storrington

QUIET DAY at The Priory – Wed, 5 June, 10am – 4pm

Speaker: The Revd David Porter (Retired Anglican Priest and friend of Chemin Neuf). Light lunch provided. *For more details or to register* storringtonchemin-neuf.org 01903 742150.

Priory Day – 6 June 9.30am – 2pm Come and join us for a morning and work alongside members of the Community doing some cooking, gardening, sewing or DIY. Join us for Midday Prayer and lunch. For more details, or to tell us you are coming (so we have numbers for lunch) email: storrington@chemin-neuf.org or ring: 01903 742150

CONCERT AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, STORRINGTON

Songs of love & poems for the summer

followed by tea and cakes and a raffle

Saturday, 8 June 2019 3.30pm

Soprano: Jillian Arthur Piano: Liz Hewson Winning with students and friends

Entrance free – we invite donations in aid of St Mary's

REQUEST FOR CAKES

We will need a few lovely cakes for tea following the Concert in Church on 8 June and if you are able to help by providing a cake can you please add your name to the list at the back of Church.

Cafe in the Church

**WED,
19 June
10 – 11.30am**

Please note that the June Coffee Morning will be held at Storrington Rectory, hopefully using the garden. Everyone welcome.

COFFEE AND BISCUITS ... TABLE QUIZ ... BRING & BUY cakes, preserves, craft items, books

Please come and join us for a friendly 'cuppa' with the Clergy



GETTING READY FOR OUR CHURCHYARD JUDGING DAY

Tuesday, 25 June 2019

South & South East in Bloom

As most people know, St Mary's has entered the South and South East In Bloom competition for the last few years, and we have been successful in achieving Churchyard of the Year in 2015, and a Gold Award in 2017, as well as Silver Gilt awards.

Prior to the judging we have asked the congregation to help by supporting extra gardening days and this year is no exception - it really does make a huge difference.

Judging will take place on Tuesday, 25th June, and we would ask people to give a couple of hours on **Saturday 15th June** and **Saturday 22nd June** to help the regular Churchyard DIY team with the last minute tidying up tasks, path and steps weeding, lawn edging etc. We would ask people to turn up about 9.30am and if possible bring their own tools.

Tea and coffee will be provided!!