

For your prayers:

Please pray for those who are sick including Kathy Keffler, Val Flippance, Karen Bucknall, Zoe Grist and the Rev'd Les Isaac.

Please pray for the families and friends of Felicity Williams and Bill Nichol who have died recently.

We also remember Yvonne Brawn, Fred Packer and Doreen Aylott whose year's mind falls at this time.

WEDDING AND BAPTISM ENQUIRIES

All enquiries about weddings or baptisms should be made directly to the Vicar or Curate —contact details below.

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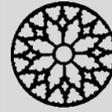
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An Evening Prayer

God, of power and might,
as the day departs and shadows
lengthen,
we hear your promise
that out of darkness light will shine.
Shine now in our hearts
with the light which is knowledge
of the glory of God in the face of Jesus
Christ.
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and enlighten us
with the radiance of your truth and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Items for inclusion in the Notices need to be emailed to
churchwarden@stmarysck.org.uk by **Tuesday** each week



St Mary's Church, Charlton Kings
Sunday, 4th July, 2021— Patronal Festival

We have arranged hassocks along the pews to help social distancing. Please do not sit on, or move the hassocks.

Remember: If attending church, contact tracing, mask wearing, hand sanitising and social distancing rules must be observed. Enter by the West Door and leave the building by the South Door. Do not attend if you have any of the Covid symptoms and notify the Vicar if you test positive within 3 weeks of attending.

The 10:00am service will be live streamed on www.stmarysck.org.uk/ and be available to view on the internet during the coming week .

TODAY'S SERVICES

The service sheet may be downloaded and printed from the website

8:00am Holy Communion

President: Rev'd Graham Bowkett

10:00am Parish Communion

President and Preacher:

Rev'd Graham Bowkett

Readings:

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Romans 12:9-16

Luke 1:39-49[50-56]

Hymns:

Common Praise No: 244 —

Virgin-born, we bow before thee

Common Praise No: 242 —

Gabriel's message

Collect:

Mighty God,
by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced
with Mary
and greeted her as the mother of the
Lord:

look with favour on your lowly
servants
that, with Mary, we may magnify your
holy name
and rejoice to acclaim her Son our
Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer:

Gracious God,
who gave joy to Elizabeth and Mary
as they recognised the signs of
redemption at work within them:
help us, who have shared in the joy of
this eucharist,
to know the Lord deep within us
and his love shining out in our lives,
that the world may rejoice in your
salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Parish Diary

Regular Services in Church:

Sundays: 8:00am Holy Communion (CW Order 2— Traditional language)
10:00am Parish Communion (CW Order 1)

Thursdays: 11:00am Holy Communion (CW Order 2—Traditional language)

Monday to Friday: 9:00am Morning Prayer 5:30pm Evening Prayer

Online Services:

Sunday: 10:00am Parish Communion (CW Order 1)

The service sheet for Sunday may be downloaded from the Parish Website.

Other services and events:

July -

Monday 5th

2:30pm Mothers' Union Afternoon Group Parish Centre

10:45am Funeral of Felicity Williams Crematorium

Tuesday 6th

9:15am Mothers' Union Corporate Communion Church

Friday 9th

9:00am Church Flowers Church

Monday 12th

12:00pm Interment of the ashes of Kathleen Philp Churchyard

7:30pm Theology Book Group Carisbrooke Drive

Friday 16th

9:00am Church Flowers Church

Saturday 17th

9:30am Holy Dusters Church

9:30am Churchyard clear-up Churchyard

10:30am Interment of the ashes of David Isher Churchyard

Friday 23rd

9:00am Church Flowers Church

Saturday 31st

11:00am Interment of the ashes of George Compton Churchyard

Save the date!

To be confirmed but, lockdown relaxation permitting, Vivien Barr will be hosting an Open Garden event at her home in Charlton Park Gate on Friday 6th August.

Common Praise No: 242

The Angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
'All hail,' said he, 'thou lowly maiden Mary,
most highly favoured lady.'

Gloria!

'For known a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
all generations laud and honour thee,
thy son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold;
most highly favoured lady.'

Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
'To me be as it pleaseth God,' she said,
'My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name':
most highly favoured lady.

Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ was born
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas more,
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say
'Most highly favoured lady.'

Gloria!

Basque Carol

paraphrased by Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)

Common Praise No: 244

Virgin-born, we bow before thee:
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, mother meek and mild,
blessèd was she in her child.

Blessèd was the breast that fed thee;
blessèd was the hand that led thee;
blessèd was the parent's eye
that watched thy slumbering infancy.

Blessèd she by all creation,
who brought forth the world's Salvation
blessèd they, for ever blest,
who love thee most and serve thee best.

Virgin-born, we bow before thee:
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, mother meek and mild,
blessèd was she in her child.

Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

Theology Book Group

A grand, perhaps slightly intimidating, title for a book group but it is not a group meant for academics! The title was chosen to distinguish it from 'Bible Study' groups. The members of the Theology Group want to explore a wide variety of topics and issues which are relevant to Christianity in the 21st century. Books have covered science and religion, biography, fiction, history and travel as well as 'theology' and ethics and miscellaneous, but relevant, issues of concern for the Church of England. The bible is not ignored—indeed we cannot avoid referring to scripture—but we do not undertake in depth studies of single biblical books.

We meet on a Monday evening, roughly every 6 to 8 weeks, at the home of David and Virginia Adsett. After an enforced Covid break, we are restarting meetings on Monday, 12th July when the group will be considering 'The Journey of the Magi' by Paul William Roberts.

New members would always be welcome so if you are interested in coming along please speak to Jean Hockett or David or Virginia Adsett who will be pleased to tell you more. You do not need to read the current book before 12th July—come along anyway, meet the group and get a feel for what we do!

Parish Centre

The Parish Centre is again 'open for business' and available for booking meetings or events. All users of the Centre must conform to whatever Covid-related restrictions may be in place at the time of use as well as co-operating with the Centre Manager to ensure compliance.

To enquire about using the Centre or to book the venue, contact Derrick Walker on 01242 525742.

Choir News

If Covid lockdown restrictions are relaxed as currently scheduled, John hopes that it will be possible to have a first choir practice in church on Monday, 19th July. The practice for both juniors and adults will start at 7:30pm.

Further updates, or notification of any changes to the above date, will be notified in this newsletter so 'watch this space'!

Churchyard Clear-Up

The next session on 17th July will concentrate on tidying the Deakin Memorial Garden and the area around the wooden shed on the north side of St Mary's.