14th October 2018 Notes and News



Christ Church
Milton-next-Gravesend

A warm welcome to any visitors worshipping with us this morning. Please make yourself known to one of the clergy or the people who greeted you at the door.

Looking ahead

Harvest Thanksgiving		
Holy Communion (said)		
All Age Communion		
Shared lunch and Flash		
Choir concert		
Festal Evensong		
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Mustard Seed		
Holy Communion (said)		
Family Communion		
with prayers for healing		
Black History Month		
Thanksgiving Service		
Pilgrim Group		
Pilgrim Group		
Holy Communion (said)		
Christian Aid Breakfast		
Family Communion		
All Souls' Day		
Holy Communion		
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Holy Communion (said)		

"From Bosnia with Thanks"

Thank you so much for such generous sponsorship. I'm very touched by such support.

Contrary to what I said a couple of weeks ago, don't worry about the Gift Aid forms that I mentioned. There is a more practical way of getting the Gift Aid.

I'm still thinking about giving a slide show of the trek, if there is enough interest, as a way of saying thank you.

It'll probably be about 30-40 minutes, with wine and nibbles, and no charge.

— and I'll try to avoid it being one scenic mountain peak after another!

I'll put a form at the back of the church to try to gauge interest.

Thank you so much, Richard.

Week day services

10.00 am

Holy Communion	Wednesday	10.00 am and Saturday 8.00 am
Morning Prayer	Monday	8.00 am at Christ Church
Morning Prayer	Tuesday	8.00 am at St. Aidan's Church
Evening Prayer	Wednesday	5.15 pm at Christ Church
Morning Prayer	Thursday	8.30 am at Holy Family Church
Evening Prayer	Friday	5.15 pm at Holy Family Church

Family Communion

Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday14th October

Please join us for lunch and a concert by the "Flash choir ".

Please come back at 4,00 pm and join the choir for Festal Evensong.



Shoebox Appeal

We are again filling shoeboxes for those who are not so fortunate as us.

Please take a look at Veronica's display or pick up a leaflet for more information.

Please start filling your shoeboxes now as the closing date is the end of October.

We need empty shoe boxes to fill, so if you are near a shoe shop please ask if they have any. Please leave these in church for others to use.

There are a few boxes there already covered please take one of these if you find it difficult to cover one for yourself.

David is now taking orders for Christmas cakes and puddings.

If you would like one please speak to him.

We are starting another course for young people who would like to receive Holy Communion (before Confirmation).

The preliminary meeting for parents and young people will be on Friday 30th November in church at 4.00 pm.

Please let Sheila Brown or Karen Seggie know as soon as possible if you are interested. Your child should be baptised or willing to be baptised before receiving Holy Communion.

The course will run on Fridays from 4.00—5.30 pm. There will be two sessions in December and the course will then continue from the new year until Easter 2019.

Macmillan Coffee Morning
on
Wednesday 24th October
at
10.30 am
in
the Church Hall

Tea, coffee, cakes, raffle and bring and buy.

Please come and bring your friends and family.

(Please note that the date is incorrect in the church magazine)

Christmas Frost Fair on Saturday 10th November at 10.30 am

Please bring items for the stalls next Sunday -

White Elephant and Toys

Please note we cannot accept electrical goods, knives or sharp items nor cassette and video tapes.

Does anyone have a sledge (preferably wooden) we could borrow for Santa's Grotto. Please speak to Sheila Brown

Mustard Seed on Thursday 18th October at 2.30 pm in the Church Hall

Please join us for tea, biscuits and cake and conversation.

Come along and meet old friends and make new ones

Everyone welcome

Poppies

Please get out your knitting needles and crochet hooks and start to make poppies to be displayed in the Warrior Chapel at Remembrance time.
Patterns are available from Priest Jacqueline.

It's coming up to remembrance time.

There will be a service on All Souls' Day, Friday 2nd November, at 7.30 pm when we read out names of those whose funerals we have taken this year.

On Sunday 11th November at 4.00 pm there will be a service for the bereaved when the names of those whose funerals have been taken in the last 2 years will be read out.

If you wish to remember at either of these services friends and family members who have died please put their names on the lists at the back of the church.

The lists are likely to be very long, so please only put their names on the list for the service you will be

The next Christian Aid Breakfast is on Sunday 28th October in the church hall from 8.30 am.

To assist with catering, please sign the list at the back of the church.

If you haven't been before, please give it a try, we are sure you will find it a pleasant experience.

Black History Month 2018

2nd Service of Thanksgiving on Sunday 21st October at 3.00 pm in Christ Church.

Please join us as we celebrate diversity in Gravesend and Northfleet.

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) is a nationally regarded provider of debt relief advice and assistance.

Since January 2018 we have had to suspend this important service in Gravesham.

Could you be our new Gravesham CAP

Debt Centre Manager? We urgently need someone to take on this role.

At present the role is voluntary but we are hoping that funding might be found for a small wage.

Please look at the posters in the porch and hall to find much more information.



SOUPA MEAL

There will be a Soupa Meal on Wednesday 17th October between 12.45 and 1.45 pm in St. George's Church Hall. The cost is £2.50.

There will be a bring & Buy stall, homemade cakes, savouries and preserves and a selection of Christmas cards.

Please support this if you can.

Ifield Ladies
on
Wednesday 17th October
in
The Church Hall
at
7.30 pm

when Melanie Gibson Barton will speak about the History of Morris Dancing.

Visitors are welcome to attend.

In the bookcase near the main door to the church you will find Bibles that you can borrow during the service. Please help yourselves and replace the Bible at the end of the service.

Gluten free Communion wafers are available at every service—please have a word with the Churchwardens or Clergy if you would like to receive gluten free wafers.

Items for the news sheet should be sent to juliehill34@aol.com or left on the clip in the lobby . Items for the website should be sent to ccwebsite@tjmcomp,co,uk

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