

3rd March 2019
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

3rd March
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Family Communion
6th March Ash Wednesday
10.00 am Holy Communion (said)
7.30 pm Holy Communion (sung)
9th March
9.30 am Church Working Party
10th March
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am Family Communion
12th March
7.30 pm Mothers' Union
13th March
1.45 pm First Steps
7.30 pm Lent Course
17th March
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
19.00 am Family Communion
20th March
7.30 pm Lent Course
21st March
2.30 pm Mustard Seed
24th March
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am Family Communion

This morning at the 10.00 am service we welcome Peers Carter from St. Margaret's Ifield to speak to us.

He is Prison Chaplain at HMP Rochester and will be sharing his experience of this important ministry.

Ash Wednesday 6th March—there will be the usual service of Holy Communion at 10.00 am and an evening Communion Service at 7.30 pm, both with ashing.



The All Age Communion Service in March will be on the 31st when there will be a special Mothering Sunday Service at 10.00 am.

Week day services

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
Morning Prayer	Friday	9.00 am at St. Aidan's Church

The next Church Working Party will be on Saturday 9th March starting at 9.30 am.

Please come along and give a hand. Good company and delicious refreshments guaranteed.

Please take some time to look at the "Financial Display" in the west end of the church.

This gives information of our financial position.



We are raffling a Simnel Cake to raise funds for Mothers' Union projects.

Tickets priced at £1 are available from David Williams.

The raffle will be drawn on Mothering Sunday.

LENT 2019

"Encountering God in the Stillness"

Come and experience different ways to pray and enjoy some peace and stillness during Lent.

We are holding a **"New to You" Table Top Sale on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May** in the church and hall.

Tables are free to charities and £10 for private sellers.

If you would like to book a table, please have a word with Julie Hill.



We will be running a tombola stall at the Table Top Sale to raise money for Christ Church and would be glad to receive items you wish to donate for this.

There are 5 Sessions starting on Wednesday 13th March.

Refreshments available from 7.00 pm and starting promptly at 7.30 pm.

Please ensure you arrive before 7.30 pm to avoid walking in during a time of silence and stillness. We will finish at approximately 8.30 pm.

You are encouraged to attend as many sessions as you can, as we share the journey together.

You will find a leaflet giving full details of each session on the table at the back of the church.



The Electoral Roll must be revised this year so everyone will have to re-apply to be included on it.

Please fill in one of the forms from the back of the church and hand it to a Priest or Churchwarden. This will give a realistic picture of current membership.

Those on the Electoral Roll are, of course, eligible for election to the various church offices.

Rev. Richard Martin will be doing a sleep-out in the week beginning 24th March, in aid of Porchlight.

If you would like to sponsor him, there is a sponsor form at the back of the church

Last year the East Gravesend churches raised over £700—can we beat that?

East Gravesend Group

HOLY WEEK QUIET DAY

on

Tuesday 16th April

from

10.30 am—3.00 pm

in

St. Margaret's Church

Church Road Ifield DA13 9AR

led by

Rev. Richard Martin

Bring your own lunch, drinks provided

There will be three short talks and plenty of time to sit quietly in the church or churchyard or to go for a walk in the surrounding countryside

The day will end with the Eucharist

All welcome but we only have space for 20 people

Please book your place by emailing
revramartin@btinternet.com
or phoning 01474 249792

We are looking for one or two people to join the working party which meets to plan and organise the church fetes and bazaars.

We have about two evening meetings before each event and some time helping to set them up on the third weekend in June and second weekend in November.

If you can help please have a word with Sheila Brown

On **Tuesday 5th March** Rev. David Scott is hosting a
Musical Extravaganza
in support of Gravesham School and Street Pastors at **The City Praise Centre Base Camp, Lower Higham Road** starting at **6.00 pm**.

This will be an evening of music, entertainment, pancakes and apple pie.

Cost is £5.00 for adults and £10.00 for families.

All enquiries to David on 248735.

St. Mary's Winter Quiz
on
Saturday 9th March
in
St. Mary's Church Hall
at
6.30 pm for 7.00 pm

£6.50 including "Ploughman's"

Book with Barbara Wilkins 362112
or Vic Twine 351502

Teams of 8 or we will match you up

Bring your own drinks



Many thanks to everyone who supports the Foodbank.

At present they need
Pasta sauce
tins of potatoes, meat, rice pudding,
fruit and custard
Toilet rolls



invites you to a
Bread and Cheese lunch
plus coffee or tea
on
Ash Wednesday 6th March
from
12.15—1.45 pm
in

St. George's Church Hall
Admission £3.00
Homemade and Bring and Buy Stalls

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.

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