### 10th 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

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 Steps7.30 pm Lent Course

17th March

8.00 am Holy Communion (said) 10.00 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

27th March

7.30 pm Lent Course

30th March

10.00 am Mothering Sunday posies

31st March Mothering Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am All Age Communion

2nd April

6.30 pm Semiquavers Concert

On Saturday 13th April at 2.00 pm Revd. Sally Womersley will be Installed at Vicar of Christ Church.

Please put this date in your diary and come along and welcome Sally as our new Vicar.

Please remember Sally in your prayers.

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.

### Week day services

Holy Communion Wednesday 10.00 am and Saturday 8.00 am 8.00 am at Christ Church Morning Prayer Monday 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 9.00 am at St. Aidan's Church Morning Prayer Friday

### **LENT 2019**

## "Encountering God in the Stillness"

We start the Lent Course in church on Wednesday 13th March with

# "Listening to God in Stillness and Silence"

Refreshments are available from 7.00 pm and the session starts promptly at 7.30 pm.

We will finish at approximately 8.30 pm

When you came into church this morning you were handed an envelope containing a leaflet giving details of the charities we are supporting this year.

Please put some money in the envelope each week and bring it back to church on Easter Sunday.

Money given in the Lent envelopes forms the backbone of our giving to charity so please be as generous as you can.

For more information, please have a look at Veronica's attractive display at the back of the church.

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.



Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 12th March in the Church Hall at 7.30 pm when we will be having an Easter Flowers Workshop.

Please come and join us - no experience necessary.

If you are part of the envelope giving scheme, you will find your new set of envelopes on the table at the back of the church. They begin on Sunday 7th April.

Apologies to those people whose envelope number has changed - this is because we now require fewer envelopes.

Thank you,
Anne Thrush (Gift Aid Secretary).

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 at the Table Top Sale to raise money for Christ Church and would be glad to receive items you wish to donate for this.

Please come to

First Steps Service in Church on Wednesday 13th March at 1.45 pm

This is a service especially for families with pre-school children.

There will be a story, prayers and hymns accompanied by bells and shakers.

Afterwards we enjoy refreshments in the church hall while the children play with toys.

Lots of fun, please come

to everyone who helped at the church working party yesterday.

Your help is much appreciated.

semiquavers

Spring Concert on Tuesday 2nd April in Church at 6.30 pm

Tickets priced at £4.00 for adults, children are free, are available from Gill Campbell in church or on 01474 534517.

Please come along and support the Semiquavers.

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

This gives information of our financial position.

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?



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 East Gravesend Group

# on Tuesday 16th April from 10.30 am—3.00 pm in St. Margaret's Church Church Road Ifield DA13 9AR led by

Bring your own lunch, drinks provided

Rev. Richard Martin

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 <u>revramartin@btinternet.com</u> or phoning 01474 249792

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@timcomp.co.uk

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