

24th 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*

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  
3rd April  
7.30 pm Lent Course  
5th and 6th  
9.30 am Church Spring Cleaning  
7th April  
Passion Sunday  
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)  
10.00 am Readings and  
Passiontide music  
9th April  
Mothers' Union Agape  
7.30 pm Meal  
10th April  
1.45 pm First Steps Service  
7.30 pm Lent Course  
13th April  
2.00 pm Sally's Installation

On Saturday 13th April at 2.00 pm  
Rev. 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.

### **Have you signed up yet?**

If not please complete a form from the  
back of the church.

We will be making posies for  
Mothering Sunday on Saturday 30th  
March in the church from 10.00 am.  
Please come and join us.

If you have any Pittosporum you can  
spare from your garden we would be  
most grateful.

### **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

## LENT 2019

### **“Encountering God in the Stillness”**

The Lent Course continues in church on Wednesday 27th March with

### ***“Praying with the Bible”***

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

We will finish at approximately 8.30 pm



### **Lent Envelopes**

If you haven't already received your Lent Envelope, please ask a Sidesman for one.

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 having Lent lunches again this year. The first is at Brigitte's, 11 The Avenue on Thursday 28th March between 12 noon to 2.30 pm.



If you hope to go please give Brigitte a ring on 01474 537867.

Donations will be put towards our Lent good causes.

Jasmine and Steve are also hosting a lunch on Saturday 6th April between 2 and 5 pm at Rosebank, Stack Lane, Hartley, DA3 8BL. Please give them a ring on 01474 249106 if you hope to go.

Could you host a lunch? Please speak to Brigitte if you can help.



## HELP NEEDED

**Vicarage**—to ensure that our new Vicar is made welcome, we are cleaning and painting the vicarage over the next couple of weeks.

It is a big job and the more people involved the easier it will be.

If you are available to help, for even a short time, please contact Andy Nailor on 07941 613080 who will enlighten you further.

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.



Our next Mothers' Union meeting is on **Tuesday 9th April starting at 7.30 pm. when we will be having an Agape meal.** The cost is £5.00.

Everyone is welcome to attend but bookings must be made in advance to Margot Edwards.



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.

I have signed up to take part in a 97km trek across the Jordan Desert to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

The trek lasts 9 days and covers desert and mountains, one thing is certain, I will have very sore feet!

If you would like to donate to this cause, there is a sponsorship form at the back of the church.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more about the trek, my telephone number is on the bottom of the sponsorship form.

Wish me luck and say a prayer for me.

Linsey Erangey

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?

I've changed my email address to ***juah\_1961@talktalk.net***

Please only use this address in future as I won't have access to the old address.

Thank you, Julie Hill.

We will be Spring Cleaning the Church on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th April starting at 9.30 am.

This is an enormous job, so please come and help even if you can only spare one hour.



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

Sunday 7th April is Passion Sunday and the 10.00 am service will include traditional Bible readings, hymns and choral items as we listen to the story of Christ's Passion.

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 Julie Hill on ***juah\_1961@talktalk.net***  
Items for the website should be sent to ***ccwebsite@tjmcomp.co.uk***