

14th April 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

14th April	Palm Sunday
8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am	Family Communion
18th April	Maundy Thursday
8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
2.30 pm	Mustard Seed
7.30 pm	Informal Holy Communion and Watch
19th April	Good Friday
10.00 am	Hot Cross Bun Service
12 -3 pm	“The Seven Last Words of Jesus”
20th April	Holy Saturday
10.00 am	Decorate the church
21st April	Easter Day
5.30 am	Lighting of the Easter fire and Service of Light
8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am	Celebration Holy Communion
4.00 pm	Festal Evensong
28th April	
8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am	Family Communion followed by the Election of Churchwardens and Annual Parochial Church Meeting

MANY THANKS

To everyone who helped to Spring clean the church.

This was a lot of hard work cheerfully undertaken by a good number of people.



To all the gardeners—the grass and flower beds are looking very attractive.



To Tom and the Choir for the beautiful Passiontide Music.

Mustard Seed meet again on Thursday 18th April at 2.30 pm.

Please join us for a cup of tea, cake and biscuits and lots of chat!!

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

We will be arranging flowers in church on Saturday 20th April from 10.00 am ready for Easter and would welcome anyone who can spare the time to help decorate the church. Sheila Knight

Easter Lilies—We will again be arranging lilies as part of the Easter floral decorations in the church. As in previous years we are inviting people to sponsor one or more lilies in memory of loved ones.

Please let me know the name or names of the people you would like to remember together with any donations.

The names to be remembered will be displayed at Easter in the cabinet with the Books of Remembrance. Sheila Knight

“New to You” Table Top Sale, Bank Holiday Monday 6th May.

We still need prizes for our tombola stall at the Table Top Sale. There is a box at the back of the church for your donations.

Are you a qualified First Aider?

If so and you are willing to go on our church list to help when needed please have a word with Jan.

Lent Envelopes

Please remember to bring your envelopes back next Sunday



The flowers on the table by the main door are for Jan Osborne in memory of her husband, Paul



Quiz Night

**Saturday 4th May
from 7.00 pm
in the Church Hall**

**Tables of 6-8 people
or we will put you in a team with
others**

£5.00 per person

to book a table please email
gillandduncan@aol.com
or speak to her in church

Bring your own refreshments
Raffle prizes to be won on the night!

If you are not able to come perhaps you could provide a raffle prize. There is a box for donations at the back of the church.

Services for Holy Week

Maundy Thursday 18th April

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
7.30 pm Informal Holy
Communion with Watch

Good Friday 19th April

10.00 Hot Cross Bun Service

*a special service and craft activities
followed by hot cross buns*

12.00—3.00 pm
"The Seven Last Words of Jesus"

*this service is in half hour sections,
so you can stay for the whole time
or arrive and leave during a hymn.*

HE IS RISEN

Easter Day 21st April

5.30 am
Lighting of the Easter fire
and Service of Light
followed by breakfast

8.00 am
Said Holy Communion

10.00 am
Celebration Holy Communion
with Easter eggs and refreshments

4.00 pm
Festal Evensong

If you have a poster you wish to display in the church porch or hall, would you please give it to Colin Parsonson who is making sure all the boards are kept tidy and up-to-date.

The notices announcing the meeting to elect **Churchwardens and The Annual Parochial Church Meeting which will take place after the 10.00 am service on Sunday 28th April, are in the porch.**

At the back of the church there are nomination forms to complete for those who wish to be elected as Parochial Church Council Members. If you would like to serve as a member of the PCC please complete a form and hand it to Peter Read, PCC Secretary.

There will be a **Deanery Confirmation on Sunday 21st July at 6.00 pm.** Please speak to Sally, Jacqueline or Karen if you wish to be Confirmed or would like more information.

Hearing God through Collage
Monday 15th April
at St. Mary's Church

You were created to be creative. However, many people think they can't create something meaningful. This day is about hearing God through the simple process of choosing images we like or simply speak to us. Cutting them out and arranging them on a board. Then reflecting on what God might be saying to us through those images.

A contribution of £3 towards the boards would be appreciated.

For further details, please call Trudi Oliver on 07432 131079.

Alzheimer's & Dementia
SUPPORT SERVICES

We need volunteers for ADSS Café at Safeharbour, Coldharbour Road.

The café is open during the week between 11.00 am and 2.00 pm to the public and is also used by our day centre.

The days we need volunteers are Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

Anyone interested should contact Katie Antill on 01474 533990 or speak to Angela Kirby.

The Fellowship of Diocesan Prayers invite you to a Quiet Day on Saturday 11th May from 9.30 am to 3.00 pm led by the Revd. Canon Gordon Oliver on "Mud, Glorious Mud" at St. Michael and All Angels Church, 2 High Street, Wilmington, DA2 7EH.

This is open to anyone with a heart for prayer.

Please take your own packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Cost £15 (non-refundable) by 26th April

To book <http://bit.ly/2Sshdp'M> or with your Deanery Rep. or through Diocesan Office: training@rochester.anglican.org

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