

Other events and notices

Tuesday 2000 Preliminary meeting for next year's **Village Fair** in the Parish Room. There is a general invitation to all. We can always do with new volunteers and new suggestions, as well as welcoming again those who have done us proud over the years.
1030-1200 Coffee Morning in the Church Hall: The Delight of the Bean and the Conviviality of Congenial Company.

Wednesday

Children's Society Christmas Cards are on sale this Sunday at the back of the church. This is an ideal way to get some decent cards and to support the Society at the same time.

'Jam for Jeel.' The recent sale of jam, jelly and marmalade raised an excellent figure of £136 for the children in Bethany. Thank you to everyone who supported the Sale and Coffee Morning. J.B.

Dr Dance has placed a folder in the Welcome Area containing the current information on our Website. It is there to be examined at leisure.

Churches Together in Ewell. Two things: unfortunately the much-appreciated feature of *Alone at Christmas* will have to be cancelled this year, due to the departure from the area of the cook, the drivers' co-ordinator and the invitations' co-ordinator, and replacements have not been found. Also *Joyce Saunders* has completed her stint as St Mary's representative on the CTE Committee, and we could do with a replacement now. Meetings are about quarterly. Any offers to the Vicar; we need to 'have a presence' on CTE just like the other churches.

There will be the **Procession of the Scriptures** at the Sung Eucharist next week: a presentation of the Bible in a liturgical feature based on a 'teaching hymn' and a commentary. This local rite, which we have had for many years, is meant to serve both as a reminder of things we already know (or *should* know), and also as an act of praise to God for his gift of the Scriptures. This year we shall be using the version of the Procession which includes the Lord's Prayer in different languages. It is also the obvious opportunity to make an annual plug for more people to join the *Bible Reading Fellowship*. Whilst we have a good number of readers we could always welcome more. Evelyn Jarrett will undoubtedly be more than willing to recruit new readers or answer any questions about the BRF. Some 'scripture notes' can be very trite, little more than pietistic twaddle; not so those of the BRF, which are sensitively and sensibly written, and available in various forms, depending on what one requires in Notes of this sort.

Next Sunday. It will be half-term for the Choir Juniors, and is the Last Sunday after Trinity. We shall be keeping 'Bible Sunday' at the Sung Eucharist, and this includes the Procession of the Scriptures mentioned above. There will be Holy Baptism at Mattins, always a happy occasion, and there will be the monthly 1200 Eucharist afterwards. If there is a large crowd at the 1100 service (which is likely) the 1200 service will be at the Parish Room altar in order to allow time for photographs at the font. Evening Prayer will be said in the Parish Room.

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WEEKLY NOTES

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sponsor's Note: Today's Notes are sponsored by Eve Myatt-Price in thanksgiving for forty years at St Mary's.

I am very grateful to those who journeyed to Guildford Cathedral last Sunday evening for my Collation and Installation as an honorary canon of Guildford, and for the cards and greetings I have received in connexion with this. It was a very splendid occasion, and the Bishop's kind words in his address were much appreciated. It is always nice to be 'affirmed.' The commitment at the Cathedral will not be great, though there will be meetings of one sort or another, and a very occasional sermon (about once a year, I think). However, I hope I can bring to the Cathedral such benefits as there may be from my twenty-two years of involvement with the wider cathedral world. As far as St Mary's is concerned, the only real noticeable difference will be sartorial, because there are various forms of canons' rig which will appear from time to time. The Guildford terracotta cassocks are a Guildford peculiarity, and I only plan to wear one when I am actually at the Cathedral. The more normal canons' rig in the Church at large is what I am wearing today, though a plain black cassock with a purple cincture* (purple because the Cathedral is the Bishop's church) is also quite normal these days. I shall ring the changes on such things. For routine use, other than Sundays and holy-days, the conventional rig is just an ordinary black cassock like that worn by any other priest, and the same goes for the Sundays of Advent and Lent. Since I seldom wear a cassock nowadays for non-liturgical functions, most of this only concerns what the Vicar wears on Sunday, and since there are usually other things on top of the cassock the particular item is probably only noticeable before the services and over Sunday morning coffee. O yes, one can also have a black rosette on the front of a black hat, and I actually have one of those; I picked it up for 20p in a Jumble Sale at Brighton Parish Church twenty-five years ago, just before being installed as a Residentiary Canon at Guildford all those years ago. The problem is that I never wear a hat, except for a biretta which I use occasionally when conducting funerals in the rain. W.R.H.
[* A cincture is rather like a cummerbund with tasselled bits that flop down.]

Our prayers today. In our regular prayer we pray today for this church and parish. In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Church in Brazil. In the diocese we pray for all hospital doctors and nurses, and in the parish we pray for all who work at the Bourne Hall Health Centre and at Fitznells Manor. In our systematic prayer for the people of the parish we pray today for the residents of Arundel Avenue.

SUNDAY SERVICES

0800 HOLY COMMUNION Common Worship rite Order 1: page 167. Collect: page 419 Eucharistic Prayer B: page 188.

0930 SUNG EUCHARIST with the Sacramental Ministry of Healing. 'Common Worship' rite

'Children's Hour' half-term today; Crèche in the Choir Vestry. Collect of the Day: page 419 (black ribbon) Eucharistic Prayer E: page 196 (red ribbon) Setting of the Eucharist: Byrd, Five-part Mass

Introit hymn: 346 Introduction, followed by Kyrie eleison Metrical Gloria in excelsis: on reverse side of Readings paper. Collect of the Day: page 419 New Testament Reading from the Letter to Hebrews Gradual hymn

(This Eucharistic hymn picks up the theme of today's New Testament reading with its references to the strange figure of the priest-king Melchizedek in Genesis 14.) [Tune: 231]

As victorious from the battle, Where his foes he strove to check, Abraham returning homeward Met the priest Melchizedek, Salem's king, yet priest benign, Bringing with him bread and wine. What was in that deed foreshadowed By the patriarch and priest Is revealed in greater glory, For our Lord in greater feast Gives in bread and wine for food His own body and his blood.

Jesus Christ, 'a priest for ever, Following Melchizedek,' Thus the Father chose to name him, And with glory to bedeck. Praise to him, the body's head; Praise to him, the living bread.

The Holy Gospel reading from St Mark (There is no sermon at the Eucharist today) The Sacramental Ministry of Healing (on separate leaflet) Intercession and penitence are both included in this part of the service today. The Greeting of Peace is before the last hymn on the leaflet, and this hymn then becomes the hymn for the Offertory and for the Collection. The unusual but attractive German tune is in the hymn-book at No.194.

Anthem during the anointing: Ubi caritas Duruslé Where charity and love are, there is God. Organ music during the anointing: Elegy. Thalben-Ball (Because of the organ music the hymns on the paper may not be needed.)

Locusts and locusts. E. page 196, then return to pages 178-180

Agnus Dei at the Invitation. During the Communion: Hymn 275 Anthem: O sacrum convivium. Croce

O sacrum convivium, in quo Christus sumitur: recollitur memoria passionis eius, mens impletur gratia, et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur. O sacred banquet in which Christ is received, the memory of the passion is renewed, the mind filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory given to us.

Post-Communion hymn: 364 (tune 271) Post-Communion Prayer: page 419. The Blessing and Dismissal Organ Voluntary: Toccata and Fugue in D minor (BWV 565). J S Bach The two organ works at the Eucharist today are sponsored by Barbara Cannon in memory of Frank Cannon, who would have been 79 on 21 October.

Welcome to any visitors or newcomers to St Mary's today. Please make yourselves known, and join us for coffee in the church hall across the road between the 0930 and 1100 services.

1100

SUNG EUCHARIST

Book of Common Prayer rite

Setting of the Eucharist: Darke in F

Introit hymn: 149 (ii) Then green Prayer Book: page 31

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy): page 33

Greeting and the Collect of the Day

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1: 4-8 (There is a separate leaflet for the Collect and Readings)

Encouragement to an early Christian community.

Remain seated for the Gradual Psalm: 15 'The gentleman's psalm.'

All stand for the Holy Gospel: St Matthew 22: 34-46

The summary of the Law.

Nicene Creed: page 34 (Shaw melody) Sermon by the Vicar

Offertory hymn: 295 Collection

All kneel for the Prayer for the Church (page 36), the Prayers of Penitence, etc., and for the Prayer of Consecration

Hymn at the Consecration: 269 part 2

During the Communion: O Lamb of God (page 44)

Anthem: O sacrum convivium. Croce

(Words printed at 0930 service.)

After Communion:

The Lord's Prayer and the Prayer of Thanksgiving: page 44

All stand for Gloria in excelsis. The Blessing

Hymn (on reverse of Readings paper):

Psalm Cantic: A Song of God's Praise (Psalm 63) [OEH 604 U]

Evening Prayer said in the Parish Room. Common Worship rite

In church this week 1000 Holy Communion

Tuesday