

Other events and notices.

- Monday Holy Communion to the housebound.
2000 Meeting of the Website Group.
2000 Deanery Synod at St John Baptist, Stoneleigh.
- Wednesday 1030-1200 **Coffee Morning** in the Church Hall; time for friendship, fellowship, fun and fine blend. There is a Bring-and-Buy sale this week at the Coffee Morning.
2000 Standing Committee of the Parochial Church Council.

On Saturday:

**Our CHRISTMAS MARKET
in the church and in the hall.**

1030-1330. *Each year we support four different charities. This year they are: The Samaritans; 'Send a Cow'; Oasis (for homeless and displaced teenagers); and Mercy Ships.*
There is information about these charities in the Welcome Area.
Details of stallholders are on handbills and posters. Any queries or offers of help to Ruth Stockwell on 020 8393 0650.

Coffee and lunch will be served in the hall.

Also on Saturday: The last in the autumn season of **Organ Recitals** will take place at 1930, with a recital on our splendid Father Willis instrument by the Director of Music, **Julie Ainscough**. She will be playing works by J S Bach, César Franck, Jehan Alain, Louis Vierne and Marcel Dupré. Admission is £6. Interval refreshments will be available.

The Vicar will be late arriving at the Christmas Market, since he is conducting a service for the Women's Section of the Royal British Legion at their County Conference at Horley that morning. He will be back later in the morning.

Before giving next Sunday's services, it will be as well to mention the performance of **Fauré's Requiem** at 1930 on Sunday evening, given by the participants in a day's workshop at Ewell Castle School. Some may recall a similar concert here last year, when Handel's *Messiah* was performed. Directed by Adam Assen, the concert is in aid of the Cystic Fibrosis Trust at the time of its 40th anniversary. There are further details about the workshop on a poster in the Welcome Area. There is no charge for admission, but there will be a retiring collection in aid of the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

Next Sunday. The First Sunday in Advent and the beginning of a new liturgical year. Year B readings begin next week, with a concentration on gospel readings from St Mark. **The Reverend Dr Patrick Miller** will be preaching at the Sung Eucharist, when we shall be using the Vicar's new translation of the Advent Sequence, mentioned a week or so ago. There will be Holy Baptism at Mattins, and the monthly 1200 Eucharist afterwards. Evening Prayer will be at 1800; the concert performance of *Fauré's Requiem* at 1930; and the count-down to Christmas begins.

Sharing the love of Christ, the Light of the world, with the people of Ewell.

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WEEKLY NOTES

20 November 2005

CHRIST THE KING

The Christian Year certainly ends on a high note at St Mary's this year. The morning services proclaim the eternal kingship of Christ, except for the 1100, which looks very positively in hope towards the future with the prayer and readings of 'Stir up' Sunday. It is a very busy day, with (most unusually) three services for the choir; however, next Sunday they have only one, because of different arrangements at 1100. This afternoon and evening are special. We have had a week to look up at the new Stations of the Cross and Resurrection on the west gallery, and they will be dedicated at Solemn Evensong tonight by the Dean. They are the work of our 'own' Iain McKillop; we are most fortunate to have Iain in our midst, and he has given us much in recent years, and in a variety of ways. The eighteen Stations are a work of great power and yet of consummate sensitivity, a major piece of contemporary iconography in this church, and they fill a notable gap in our portrayal of the Christian message in our building, for most other features of Christian art at St Mary's (e.g. the windows) are incarnational or Marian, rather than paschal in character. The sharp-eyed will detect that this is not the conventional arrangement of fourteen stations: there are three Stations before the traditional start, and the (now fairly general) fifteenth station is in fact the first of three Stations of the Resurrection. However, it will still be possible to use the Stations in the traditional way (no room to explain this now), but we shall have greater flexibility in their devotional use. Although they are a major work of art, their purpose is, after all, essentially devotional, whether it is for private devotion or for conducted meditation. The first occasion at which the Stations will be formally used will be at 1100 on the First Sunday in Lent, when I hope some of Iain's poems, which accompany the paintings, will also be used. The Stations are given by an anonymous donor, and are intended to commemorate past and present benefactors, clerks, treasurers and trustees of the Ewell Parochial Trusts. It is for that reason that this afternoon there will also be the Parochial Trusts' Sermon, the result of one of the ancient benefactions on the large black charities board in the north aisle.

We welcome to St Mary's today the Deputy Mayor of Epsom and Ewell (Councillor Brian Angus, who is of course one of our own Ward Councillors) and the Deputy Mayoress, together with Iain's personal guests, past and present trustees of the Ewell Parochial Trusts, some of the choir of Emanuel School (who are augmenting the Parish Choir this evening), and of course the Dean of Guildford, who is paying his first visit to St Mary's. It is indeed an unusual situation to welcome the Bishop and the Mayor on one Sunday, and the Dean and the Deputy Mayor on the next. I am sure our visitors today will all be warmly welcomed by St Mary's folk in the second half of this memorable day. **W.R.H.**



Our prayers today. We give thanks for the exaltation of our Lord Jesus Christ as the Victor-King of Glory, and give thanks for another Christian Year of worship, witness and service. We pray for this church and parish, and today in the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the francophone province of the Congo. In the Diocese of Guildford we pray today for the Cathedral Church of the Holy Spirit, (on the day when, by coincidence, the Dean of Guildford will be at St Mary's). In our parish prayer we pray particularly for the work of the Ewell Parochial Trusts, on the day when our new Stations of the Cross and Resurrection are being dedicated. In our systematic prayer for the people of the parish we pray for those who live in Windmill Close.

SUNDAY SERVICES

0800 HOLY COMMUNION *Common Worship rite*
Order 1: page 167. Collect of the Day: page 426.
Eucharistic Prayer A: page 184; Proper Preface: page 326.

0930 PROCESSION AND SUNG EUCHARIST *Common Worship rite*

Wayfarers, Children's Hour and Crèche.
Order 1: page 167. Collect of the Day: page 426.
Eucharistic Prayer B: page 188; Proper Preface: page 326.
Setting of the Eucharist: *Langlais*, Missa in simplicitate.
Gloria and Creed: *Shaw*.

Proclamation hymn: 338

Kyrie eleison

Gloria in excelsis: traditional language text on page 211.

Collect of the Day: page 426. *Readings on separate paper.*

New Testament Reading from the Revelation to St John

Gradual hymn: 349

The Holy Gospel reading from St. Matthew

Sermon by *the Vicar*

Nicene Creed (sung today): traditional language text on page 213

Intercession and Prayers of Penitence (Confession back on page 169).

Then all stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Hymn at the Collection: 476

Then all sit for the Offertory Anthem. Let all the world. *Vaughan Williams*

After the anthem, all stand for:

Eucharistic Prayer B: page 188; Proper Preface: page 326.

Consecration Acclamation on readings paper. [Tune 271]

(introduced by *Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.*)

(No hymn at the Invitation today; *Agnus Dei* and hymn during Communion.)

Hymn 295

All stand after the Communion hymn.

The Post-Communion prayer (The 'Stir up' Collect): page 326

The Blessing and Dismissal.
Hymn 487 [Tune OEH 604 U]

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

Setting of the Eucharist: *White* in E flat and *Merbecke* [Merbecke is the congregational setting on the lilac-coloured paper.]
The hymns are all from the old red hymn-books today.

Sermon by *the Vicar*

Introit hymn: 306

Then green Prayer Book: page 31

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy): page 33

Greeting and the Collect of the Day

For the Epistle: Jeremiah 23: 5-8 *Hope promised to an exiled people.*

Gradual hymn: 220 (i)

The Holy Gospel: St John 6: 5-14. *The feeding of the five thousand.*

Nicene Creed: page 34.

Biddings to Prayer and the Offertory sentence.

Offertory Hymn: 216 (in C) Collection

After the hymn, 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: 416 [Use OEH 335 with Amen.]

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

Anthem: *Panis angelicus.* *Franck*

The Latin words of this well-known work are a meditation on the nature of the eucharistic gift and on the grace received in the Blessed Sacrament.

After Communion:

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

All stand for Gloria in excelsis.

The Blessing
Hymn 329 (in E)

1700 THE AFTERNOON SERMON OF THE EWELL PAROCHIAL TRUSTS. Preacher: *The Vicar* (Chairman of the Trustees).

The Bidding Prayer, Sermon, 'Prevent us', and the Grace.

Tea in the Church Hall for those attending the afternoon sermon.

1810 IAIN MCKILLOP speaks about the new Stations of the Cross and Resurrection.

1830 SOLEMN EVENSONG and DEDICATION OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND RESURRECTION.

Preacher: *The Dean of Guildford, The Very Reverend Victor Stock.*

Music: *Rose* responses; *Howells*, Collegium Regale; *Solus ad victimam, Leighton*; 'Antiphon', *Vaughan Williams*.

There is a special leaflet for this service.

In church this week

Tuesday 1000 **Holy Communion** (of Requiem)

The last of the November requiems this year is for past priests of St Mary's.