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

WEEKLY NOTES

8 April 2007

EASTER DAY.

THE DAY OF RESURRECTION.

For website: The Notes at Easter may appear skimpy, but the principal services all had special leaflets. However, here are the music details of the services at Easter:

EASTER SERVICES

Holy Saturday, 7 April.

**2030 THE PASCHAL VIGIL AND THE
MASS OF THE RESURRECTION.**

Service: *Darke* in F (Gloria: *Shaw*)
Anthems: *Sicut cervus. Palestrina.*
Greater love hath no man. *Ireland.*

8 April. **EASTER DAY**

0800 Holy Communion

Common Worship rite.

**0930 PROCESSION AND SOLEMN
EUCCHARIST OF EASTER DAY,
with the Blessing of the Easter
Garden, and Renewal of Baptismal Vows.**

Service: *Darke* in E (Collegium Regale)
Anthems: Hallelujah Chorus (from 'Messiah')
Handel

The Song of the Tree of Life.

Vaughan Williams

1100 CHORAL MATTINS OF EASTER DAY

Introit: The Lord is risen. *Rose*
Responses: *Smith*
Te Deum: *Sumsion* in G
Anthem: Christ the Lord is risen again. *Rutter*

1200 Holy Communion

Common Worship rite.

1800 Evening Prayer at the Easter Garden.

The remaining details were on a smaller than usual paper, and unfortunately (for technical reasons) the weekly paragraph cannot be made available for the website.

The remainder of the Easter Weekly Notes is as follows:

The flowers in church today are sponsored by **Barbara Cannon** in memory of her husband Frank. Frank Cannon served for a time as churchwarden here.

Our prayers today. We give thanks to God for his mighty act in raising Christ our Lord to be the first-fruits of resurrection life in a redeemed, restored and renewed created order. We pray for our church and parish, and in the worldwide Church of God we pray today (not, as usual, for a particular part of it, but) for the whole universal company of the baptized in Christ, united in praise of Christ's resurrection. In the diocese we pray especially for *Christopher* our Bishop; and in the parish for our fellow Christians in the other local churches, as they too with joy and praise welcome once more the risen Christ of Easter as Redeemer and Saviour.

THE EASTER SERVICES

2030 (Sat.) Solemn Eucharist of the Easter Vigil.

0800 Holy Communion

**0930 Procession, Blessing of the Easter Garden,
and Solemn Eucharist of Easter Day, with
the Renewal of Baptismal Vows.**

1100 Choral Mattins of Easter Day.

1210 Holy Communion

1800 Evening Prayer at the Easter Garden.

Details of the services are given on separate leaflets, except for the services at 0800 and 1210, which are given below.

0800 and 1210

HOLY COMMUNION

Common Worship rite.

Order 1: page 167. Collect of the Day and the Readings on separate paper.
Eucharistic Prayer B: page 188. Other Easter material on page 316.

In church this week.

There are no liturgical services in church this week.

Other events and notices.

Wednesday 1030-1200. Coffee Morning in the Church Hall. 'Have a break; have a coffee.'

Easter Week is traditionally a time when parishes tend to go into low gear, and indeed the following Sunday is generally known as 'Low Sunday.' It has at least two other unofficial names, one of which is *Quasimodo Sunday* – though this is nothing to do with the hunchback of Notre Dame. **The Office** will be closed this week, and will re-open on Monday, 16 April.

Very many thanks to all have helped in so many ways over Holy Week and Easter. It is good to be able to say that there are too many to mention. The list is considerable, and I hope that all concerned will feel included in this general word of thanks. W.R.H.

John and Jean Wharton are moving to 'Lakeside.' They are holding a **Garage Sale** on Saturday (14 April) from 0900 to 1300. All proceeds are going to 'Ruxley Building Fund' and the PCC of St Mary's – divided equally. Please come and help raise funds for the church: it is at **29 Ewell Court Avenue.**

The new Electoral Roll is now available for inspection in the Welcome Area, on the same board as the notices about electing churchwardens and about the Annual Parochial Meeting. The list is now 'frozen', but new names can go on after the APCM on 29 April.

Ewell 24/7 Prayer Week: 15-22 April. This is organized by Churches Together in Ewell, and each local church has been allocated set times. It takes place at West Ewell Evangelical Church in Lansdowne Road. There is information about this just by the west door, and Wendy Varney can give further details.

Next Sunday. Services on Low Sunday are at the usual times, though they will be fairly basic in style, as is usual at St Mary's on this particular Sunday.