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WEEKLY NOTES

15 April 2007

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Easter 1; 'Low Sunday')

Very basic Notes today. The Sunday paragraph resumes next week. This is always a very simple Sunday here after all the activity over Holy Week and Easter Day, and the choristers are having their post-Christmas break today. The 0930 service is at the Nave Altar. It was a good Holy Week and Easter at St Mary's, and I am very grateful to all those who helped to make it so. The church looked lovely on Easter Day, and I know that many people spent quite some time at the church doing all sorts of jobs or preparing for the services one way or another. Many thanks to one and all. W.R.H.

Our prayers today: We pray for our church and parish, and in the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for our fellow-Christians in the Church in the Province of Korea. In the Diocese of Guildford we pray for the work of the Diocesan Pastoral Committee. In the parish we pray for Tuesday Evening Fellowship Group, and in our systematic prayer for the geographical parish we pray for the people who live in Lyncroft Gardens.

SUNDAY SERVICES

0800 HOLY COMMUNION

Common Worship rite

Order 1: page 167. Collect of the Day: page 400. Eucharistic Prayer A: page 184 [Omit the responses in *red* brackets.] Other Easter material on page 316.

0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

Common Worship rite

Nave Altar service today. Crèche available.

Order 1: page **167** in the black book. Collect of the Day: page **400**. Eucharistic Prayer A: page **184** [Omit the responses in *red* brackets.]

Other Easter material on page 316

Setting of the Eucharist: *Shaw*, Folk Mass. [Sanctus *said*.] All the singing is congregational, and all the tunes, except one (briefly rehearsed), are familiar. The Vicar is doubling-up at the organ today

Introit hymn: 117

Introduction and the Prayers of Penitence

Gloria in excelsis: traditional language text on page 211.

Collect of the Day: page 400. (Readings on separate paper)

New Testament reading from the Revelation to St John.

Gradual hymn: 111

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Sermon by The Vicar

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

Intercession; then all stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Offertory hymn: 125, second version; verses 1-8. Collection.

Eucharistic Prayer A: page 184 [Omit the responses in red brackets.]

Turn back to page 178 for the Lord's Prayer, etc.

Holy Communion is at the front of the nave only. Please return to your seats *via* the side aisles, after receiving the chalice on your 'own' side. There is no hymn at this point today.

After 'Let us pray' all stand for the Post-Communion Prayer: page 382. The Mutual Salutation, the Blessing and the Easter Dismissal. Hymn 113.

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 after the Sung Eucharist.

1100 MATTINS

Book of Common Prayer rite.

'Village Mattins' today. The service is 'said with hymns.' Readings are on a separate paper.

Responses: page 8. Easter Anthems *recited*: page 67.

Office-hymn: as announced

Psalm 16: *The Lord shows the path to life.* Page 156.

First Lesson: Exodus 12: 1-13. The arrangements for the Passover.

Metrical Benedictus: on card.

Second Lesson: 1 St Peter 1: 3-12. Our resurrection hope.

Hymn: as announced

The Creed and the Greeting (page 12); then all kneel for the Lord's Prayer,

the Responses and the three Collects (the first Collect on page 68).

Prayers. Sermon by *the Vicar*

Hymn: as announced. Collection. The Blessing

In church this week

The Tuesday Eucharist at 1000 resumes this week.

Other events and notices.

Wednesday 1030-1200 Coffee Morning in the Church Hall.

Fine blend and good companionship.

Friday No 'evening office' today; it resumes next week.

Nasty colour. The readings today – and at the Eucharist throughout Eastertide – are in a not very pleasant colour of dayglo yellow. This is because for some reason this was the only available colour three years ago, and it did not seem right to waste further paper this year. However, a few weeks every three years ought not to be too burdensome. In order to help the stacking system, the colour of the readings papers usually, but not always, relates to the liturgical colour of the day. These weeks are an obvious exception.

Hope no passer-by has noticed. On removing the Easter posters from the big notice-board after Evening Prayer on Easter Day, I realised that a letter 't' at the bottom of the board has come adrift and disappeared. It will probably be fairly easy to restore it next week (I have not been around for most of last week), but at present it is a somewhat disconcerting, if not slightly alarming, mission-statement, which the board now proclaims. It runs: 'Sharing the love of Chris, the Light of the world, with the people of Ewell.' W.R.H.

Next Sunday. Morning arrangements are slightly different, in that the 1100 service will be the monthly Eucharist according to the Prayer Book rite. It is not practical to have this on the usual 'third Sunday' (today) this month. Other arrangements are as usual.

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