

#### Other events and notices.

Monday Holy Communion to the housebound.

Tuesday 2000 'Churches Together in Ewell' at the United Reformed Church.

Wednesday

1030-1200 Coffee Morning in the Church Hall a time for fine blend and good companionship. 'Have a break; have a coffee.'

At 1100 Eve Myatt-Price will be speaking about 'The Italian Chapel in the Orkney Islands.'

Thursday

2000 Health and Safety Committee

it's party time; well not quite yet. After the hugely successful Garden Party at the time of the Patronal Festival, the Social Committee has now arranged for another event to be held in early December. This will be called 'A Christmas Cracker'. There will be dinner and entertainment in the Church Hall on **Saturday, 8 December**, at 1830 for 1900. Tickets are £8, and are available in church after services or else from the office. If the Garden Party is anything to go by, there is likely to be quite a demand for tickets, so early purchase is advisable.

A reminder of the **Gift Day** to be held on Saturday 24 November in aid of **four external charities**. Handbills have been given out, but they being given out again at certain services, and are available at the book-trolley at others. The prime object of the Gift Day is to bring in the loot to the Vicar for the four selected charities – but there is more. Apart from coffee and tea, there will be stalls for cakes, a Bring and Buy, and a raffle. So we need **cakes, raffle prizes and goods for the Bring and Buy**. Please bring Raffle Prizes and Bring and Buy items to the church or to the office – and please get your cake ingredients ready!

#### Our four charities this year are:

##### LIFEBOATS

(The Royal National Lifeboat Institution)

##### THE BROOKE

(Saving suffering animals)

##### Y.M.C.A.

(The Young Men's Christian Association)

##### JOHN GROOMS

(Helping young people, particularly at times of need)

There **WILL** be an **Alone at Christmas Lunch** this year, after a gap of a year. It will be organized by *Churches Together in Ewell* and a full Christmas dinner will be offered to all those who would otherwise be on their own. It will take place on Christmas Day at **Stoneteigh Baptist Church** between 1230 and 1600, and transport can be arranged. There is no charge, but donations can be made, if wished. Please contact 020 8337 8744 (daytime) or 020 8393 3011, or alternatively make contact by e-mail: [christmas.dinner@dst.pipex.com](mailto:christmas.dinner@dst.pipex.com) before 15 November.

A reminder that there are **Service Lists** available in the Welcome Area, which give details of all Sunday services, including the choral music and organ voluntaries, until the end of the calendar year.

The Committee of **Grove Cottage** would like to say a warm thank-you to all who attended the recent Coffee Morning at the house.

**Next Sunday.** Normal morning service arrangements, with the Book of Common Prayer Sung Eucharist at 1100. There will be **Choral** Evensong at 1700.

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#### WEEKLY NOTES

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#### THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT.

#### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY.

St Mary's is a sober-looking church today, quite different from how it appeared last Sunday, when we sang our joyful hymns in honour of all the saints. Most of November is a serious time in church, with a concentration on those who have departed this life. It is as well that the month ends with the festival of Christ the King; it does us no harm to remember that his is the Ultimate Victory, and he calls us to share in it, and to remember (to reverse a familiar quotation) that 'in the midst of death we are in life.' However, today has its own speciality within that overall picture: the remembrance of the Fallen, the honouring of their memory, and the prayer that the lessons of the past will not be forgotten. The 0930 Sung Eucharist of Requiem reminds us that Ewell, like everywhere else in this land, had its own share of casualty and death. The 1050 service will bid us look upon a wider canvas, when we can also find room to pray for those who in our own day serve in the Forces in Iraq or Afghanistan. Sometimes those attending events at this time of year need to recall that the ex-Service community is an ongoing one, and not limited to those very senior citizens who faced such odds in World War II, and who rightly wear their medals with pride at this time. I have been County Chaplain to the Royal British Legion for nearly thirty years, and in that time I have seen the need for its work grow unabated throughout that time. I hope everyone will give generously to the Poppy Appeal, and that all who come to St Mary's today will find an opportunity for prayerful reflection on the nature of this annual occasion of National Remembrance, and to commend once more to God the souls of those who perished in time of war, whether as members of the armed Forces or as innocent civilians, praying that they may find in God's nearer presence that true peace which was denied them in life. W.R.H.

**Our prayers today.** We pray for this church and parish, remembering especially at this time the Fallen from our own parish. In the worldwide Church we pray today for those who belong to the post-denominational Church in China and also for the Chinese Roman Catholics. In the Diocese we pray today for the ministry of the Army Chaplains at Aldershot. In our parish prayer we pray for our local branch of the Royal British Legion, and also for the local Division of the Territorial Army at Mercator House. In our systematic prayer for the people of the parish we pray for those living in St Mary's Close.

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

At the end of the prayer, turn back to page 175 for the Lord's Prayer etc.  
At the Invitation to Communion: Hymn 313  
Anthem during Communion: Pie Jesu, Domine.

*Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem.*  
'Lord, all pitying, Jesu blest, grant them thine eternal rest.'  
[Pie Jesu is the last line of the text of the hymn *Dies irae*.]

After the anthem all stand for the Post Communion Prayer  
The Blessing and Dismissal



May they rest in peace. *All: A-men* -  
Hymn 368. (There is no Organ Voluntary after this service.)

*Welcome to any visitors or newcomers to St Mary's today. Please make yourselves known. Normally there is coffee in the Church Hall across the road after the Sung Eucharist, but unfortunately not today, because the robing arrangements for the civic representatives at the next service make it impractical.*

1030 WREATH-LAYING AT THE WAR MEMORIAL

1050 ACT OF REMEMBRANCE AND CHORAL MATTINS, attended by the Mayor of Epsom and Ewell and members of the Borough Council, representatives of the Army, the Royal British Legion, and other organizations.

*There is a special leaflet for this service. The cash collection at this service will be given to the Poppy Appeal.*

Music at the service: Introit: So they gave their bodies. *Aston. Te Deum Howells, Collegium Regale.* Anthem: I saw a new heaven. *Bainton.* The two Coronation Marches by *Walton, 'Orb and Sceptre'* and 'Crown Imperial' will be played before and after the service by the organ scholar, Jeremy Cole. The Epsom and Ewell Silver Band will also be playing at the service, and also during the Inspection of the Parade afterwards.

Preacher: *The Reverend Dr Patrick Miller.*

1800 Evening Prayer in the Parish Room.

In church this week.

Tuesday 1000 Holy Communion.

**The Requiem for Peter Pledge** on the occasion of the interment of his ashes takes place on Saturday of this week at 1100. We need a team of servers, certainly including a thurifer, since the service is for Peter - 'let the reader understand', as the scripture says. Any offers, please, to the Vicar today.

0800 HOLY COMMUNION (of the Sunday). *Common Worship rite*  
Order 1 in traditional language, page 267. Collect of the Day, page 496  
Eucharistic Prayer A, page 216.

0930 SUNG EUCHARIST OF REQUIEM for those from the parish who fell in the two World Wars. *Common Worship rite*

'Children's Hour' in the Church Hail. No Wayfathers today.  
Crèche available, if required  
Order 1, page 167. Eucharistic Prayer A, page 184.  
(The Collect is printed on the Readings paper today.)  
The Gloria and Creed are normally omitted at a Requiem. It is of some importance today that the service is in no way delayed, in view of the morning's busy timetable. It does not have to be rushed in any way, but we aim to be finished by 1015.  
Setting of the Eucharist: *Plainchant, Missa pro defunctis.*

(There is no organ music before the service.)  
Introit hymn: 371

The Invocation, Greeting, Prayers of Penitence, *Kyrie eleison*, and the Collect.  
*The Collect, Readings and Post-Communion prayer are all on a separate leaflet today.*  
New Testament Reading from St Paul's Letter to the Romans.

Gradual hymn: 417  
*At this particular service each year this hymn is sung to the tune which was normally used for these words in the eighteenth century, and which was written (or possibly arranged) by William Tans'ur, organist of St Mary's at that time.*

The Holy Gospel reading from St John.  
Short sermon by *the Vicar*  
Intercession; then all stand for the Greeting of Peace.  
Offertory hymn: 329. Collection.

Eucharistic Prayer A, page 184 (omitting the responses in red brackets), with Preface of the Dead on reverse of Readings paper.

The *Sanctus* is congregational, and continues the music of the Preface:

