

29/03/2009

WEEKLY NOTES FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

A very warm 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.

Today we welcome back the Rural Dean, the Reverend Stuart Thomas, who will celebrate the Eucharist at 8 o'clock and Canon Chris Vallins, who will celebrate at the 09h30 service. Thank you both for your time and expertise in leading our worship today.

<u>Stuart writes:</u> I much enjoyed sharing a small part of Mothering Sunday with you at St Mary's, and even better to see you all in such good heart as the interregnum moves into its third month. Much gratitude is due to your churchwardens and assistant priest for their commitment and hard work, and with all of us offering them our prayer and support St Mary's can grow and flourish regardless of when an appointment is made. And if you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask!

Our prayers today. We pray for our own church and parish, and in the Anglican Communion for the Church in Melanesia. In our Diocese we pray for all the various Lenten projects and Lenten devotions in the Diocese. In our parish prayer we continue to pray today for Father Richard & Sue in the early stages of retirement; also for those responsible for our Financial Affairs. In our regular prayer for the people living within the parish boundaries we pray today for those living in Southmead.

In church this weekTuesday1000Holy Communion

Next Sunday - 5th April 2009 - Palm Sunday

- 0800 Holy Communion (said)
- 0930 Sung Eucharist
- 1100 Choral Mattins
- 1830 Evening Worship at the United Reformed Church

SUNDAY SERVICES

0800 HOLY COMMUNION

Common Worship rite in Traditional Language

Order 1: page **207** Eucharistic Prayer **C**: page **219**

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0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

Common Worship rite

Crèche available, if needed. Please ask a SidesmanOrder 1 (black book): page 167Collect of the Day: page 396Eucharistic Prayer C: page 191Setting of the Eucharist:Wills - Missa Passionis Christi

NEH 79 (t 128 ii) Introit hymn: The Invocation, the Greeting and first prayer: black book, page 167. Kyrie Eleison: Collect of the Day: page **396** (*Readings on separate paper*) New Testament Reading Gradual hymn: **NEH 304** Gospel Sermon by The Reverend Canon Chris Vallins [Then all sit for any notices or announcements] Nicene Creed: page 173 Intercession; then all stand for the Greeting of Peace Offertory hymn: NEH 78 (Collection taken) Eucharistic Prayer (see service header for which) - Proper preface page 312 Turn to page 178 for the Lord's Prayer; and page 180 for the Invitation to Communion. Agnus Dei Anthem Hide not thou thy face - *Farrant* After 'Let us pray' all stand for the Post-Communion Prayer: page 397 then 182. **NEH 86 (omit *)** Hymn: Variations on Weine klagen zorgen zagen - *Liszt* [JSH] Organ:

1100 READINGS AND MUSIC OF THE PASSION

Separate sheet for this service

Stewardship envelopes (year commencing 6 April 2009)

If you have not already done so, these are ready for collection today. If you would like to join the Stewardship Scheme, please contact the Recorder, Miriam Massey, on 020 8394 0453 or mirimas@globalnet.co.uk

SOCIAL EVENT - Fish & Chip Supper and Quiz - Saturday 9 May

Tickets (price $\pounds 8.00$) will be on sale at the back of church after services from this Sunday, and also via the Office. 6.30 for 7 pm in the Church Hall for another enjoyable evening of fellowship.

The Electoral Roll will be revised between Wednesday 1 April and Wednesday 8 <u>April</u>. A copy of the existing Roll and forms of application for enrolment are available at the back of the church. Only those whose names are on the Roll are entitled to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to take part in its proceedings, so please check your status, and, if necessary, submit an application form to the Office by 8 April.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – Sunday, 26 April – 11 o'clock

Just a reminder that the APCM will still take place even though we do not have a vicar. The Rural Dean will chair the meeting and the PCC has already approved both the Annual Report and the Accounts. If you'd like to serve on the Parochial Church Council, please have a word with one of the Churchwardens.

PCC reminder – Monday, 27 April

Assuming we have good news and a few candidates to interview, this process will take place over 27 and 28 April. On the 27th, we will need a small number of volunteers to transport the candidates around the area to show them 'the sights' and important places.

This week's Diary

| Monday | 2000 | Social Committee Meeting at 46a Ewell Downs |
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| | | Road |
| Tuesday | 2000 | Lent Course in the Church Hall |
| | | The Reverend Rosie Deedes Prison Work and Rehabilitation |
| Wednesday | 1030 - 1200 | Coffee Morning in the Church Hall. Time for a |
| | | relaxing break, a chat and a coffee. (Tea, if you prefer.) |
| | 2000 | Servers' meeting in the Parish Room for all servers |
| | | involved in the Palm Sunday and Easter services |
| Thursday | 1330 | Funeral of Jack Sherman in church followed by |
| | | cremation at Randalls Park |
| | 2000 | Churchwardens involved with shortlisting candidates |
| | | to be interviewed on 27 / 28 April |

Future Diary

| Wednesday 8 Apr | 2000 | Management Team meeting (Parish Room) |
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| Saturday 2 May | 1930 | Organ recital - Jonathan Holmes |
| Saturday 9 May | 1830 | Fish & Chip Supper and Quiz |
| Saturday, 30 May | 1930 | Organ recital - Jeremy Cole |

A Prayer for the Interregnum

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, giver of every good gift: be pleased to hear the prayers of thy people, and send to us as the vicar of this parish a person of thine own heart who shall faithfully and wisely exercise the cure of souls, to the good of thy church and the glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Watch of the Passion – Maundy Thursday evening

There haven't been many people sign up for this and it is in danger of being cancelled as a result. This would be a great shame as we have always managed to have enough people to cover the whole evening to midnight. Please sign up today to allow us to plan for it.

Churchwardens' Surgeries

Saturday 11th 0930 - 1030 "The Larder" in the High Street. (Do remember we have to go at 1030 as we have other commitments)

David Crick (07850 709461) Jonathan Gocher (020 8224 5942)

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