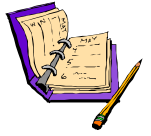


Dates for your Diary:

- Sun, 16 May 6.30pm - Prof John Wyatt speaking at Bookham Baptist Church at the invitation of Churches Together. No evening service at St Mary's
- Tue, 18 May Women's Group at 8.00pm with a talk on the RNLI and its lifesaving work. All welcome.
- Thu, 20 May Thursday Coffee in the hall at 10.30am
- Fri, 21 May Footprints meets at 10.00am
- Sat, 22 May All day churchyard working party, with lunch provided
- Sun, 23 May Howard Gracey (who spoke so eloquently earlier in the year about being a Christian grandparent) will be preaching at the 9.30 service
- Fri, 28 May Horizon meets at 10.00am with crèche available
- Sun, 30 May Roger McKinlay will be preaching at the 9.30 service about developing prayer in a busy life
- Sun, 6 June Family Service will be led by our Holiday Club. Don't miss it!
- Fri, 22 June Footprints meets at 10.00am in the hall



Deanery Confirmation on the evening of 27th June at St George's, Ashtead. More details soon.

Diocesan Summer School 5 - 17 July, "Truth to Tell". See booking form on www.cofeguildford.org.uk/go/ss or in brochure.

Details of events at Guildford Cathedral are on the notice board in the hall.

Matters of Life and Death

Hope you've got this evening's service 6.30pm at Bookham Baptist Church in your diary for the opportunity to hear Prof John Wyatt. Also that you've noted that there's no evening service at St Mary's this evening.

"Start!" - a down to earth introduction to the Christian faith

This six-week evening course will start on Monday 14th June. Julie Partridge would love to hear from you if you're interested to come along and find out about the Christian faith. Also, a couple of people have expressed interest in attending the course but would need babysitters - could you possibly volunteer?

Please give Julie a call on either count on 459906 or e-mail thepartridges@lineone.net. Thank you!

"More tea, Vicar?"

Liz is organising a vocations week from the 19th - 26th June when young people in the Diocese considering going forward for Ministry will have the opportunity to shadow a parish priest and learn about different aspects of running a parish. If you could offer accommodation to a student in Fetcham during this week, please speak to Liz or Paul, 375000. Thanks!



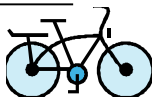
Keeping Faith in Work, Economy and Business:

Four evening workshops on 25 May, 8 & 22 June and 6 July at St Andrew's Church, Goldsworth Park, Woking. More details from John Strain, john.strain@cofeguildford.org.uk

Leatherhead Night Hostel: The Night Hostel's AGM is on Thursday, 27th May at 8.00pm at 1 Vincent Drive, Dorking, a temporary address while the house in Leatherhead is refurbished. They are appealing for financial support for this refurbishment which will cost c£200,000! The house was set up 33 years ago by Leatherhead churches and is now being updated to include individual rooms to offer privacy and dignity and they plan to stay open during the day to offer training and activities. Further info from nighthostel@tiscali.co.uk or 376508, or see flyers on hall notice boards.

Charity Cycle Ride

The Burnett family is organising a cycle ride from John O'Groats to Lands End to raise money for equipment and research into a cure for leukaemia in memory of their son, Alistair who lost his battle with this terrible disease last December. Ten local dads, including Alistair's father, Jeff, will be setting off on the 16th July and hopefully arriving at their destination on the 26th July. See poster on notice board in the hall lobby or visit www.alisbigride.co.uk for more details and the opportunity to donate money towards their target of £25,000.



Please pray for:

- Those who are sick, including Annie Adair, Jean Hourston and Ruth Smith (Gatesden Road)
- Our new Young Families team
- Our Holiday Club at the beginning of June, the children attending, leaders and helpers
- Paul on his annual retreat in Taize while Liz and the girls are at home



We remember those who have died recently including Albert Archer and Bob Dawson. We surround their respective wives June and Mary and their families and friends with our love and prayers.

Sunday Readings: (Year C)

16th May, Easter 7

23rd May, Pentecost

30th May, Trinity

6th June, 1st after Trinity (Proper 5)

First Reading

Acts 16: 16-34

Acts 2: 1-21

Romans 5: 1-5

Gal 1: 11 - end

Gospel

John 17: 20 - end

John 14: 8-17

John 16: 12-15

Luke 7: 11-17

8 o'clock BCP

Sunday after Ascension

Whit Sunday

Trinity Sunday

1st after Trinity

St Mary's, Fetcham Parish Church: Rector: the Reverend Paul Boughton, 10a The Ridgeway, tel 01372 375000. Please submit copy for inclusion in the Newsletter by the Wednesday preceding publication to Corinne by e-mail (newsletter@stmarysfetcham.org.uk or corinne.braid@ntlworld.com), post (12 Long Copse Close, Gt Bookham, KT23 3PX) or via the tray in the vestry.

NEWSLETTER

St Mary's
Fetcham Parish Church
www.stmarysfetcham.org.uk

16th May 2010
info@stmarysfetcham.org.uk

We aim to be a growing community of Christian people who desire to be:
mature disciples : committed church family members : effective witnesses : caring neighbours



Young families work at St Mary's

After a long search for a Young Families Co-ordinator, I am delighted that Julie Partridge has agreed to take responsibility for this area of work as volunteer leader of a "Young Families Team" all of whom will be developing their existing roles. Initially the volunteer team will comprise Sharon Black, Corinne Braid, Julie David and Pam Egles. The initial team is all women and I hope that some men will be added in due course. It seems to me, and to our churchwardens, that this is a solution to the concern for which we have prayed for so long. Julie, Sharon, Corinne, Julie and Pam we are so grateful to you that your desire to see God's Kingdom grow in Fetcham is leading you to offer so much more to the young families of this village.

Church family members, do please support this new team with your prayers, encouragement and loyalty. Paul

Spring Harvest

I know it seems as if we've only just come back but it's time to start thinking about next year! If you're interested in coming to Minehead for Week 1, 9th – 14th April, please speak to Corinne who will be up very early on the 9th June and poised over the redial buttons of three phones when the lines open at 8.00am. Do speak to somebody who's been to Spring Harvest and they'll enthuse about it so much you'll hardly be able to wait for next April!



Be a Superhero

Holiday Club, for children in school years 1 – 6, is on Tues 1st and Wed 2nd June from 9.30 – 12.30 in the hall. Have you booked your place with Pam yet? Tel 383143 or eglesp@btconnect.com. Book early to avoid disappointment!



Reduce, re-use, recycle

Holiday Club can help with two out of the three! Once again we need your help with donations of the following: cardboard boxes, large pieces of cardboard, kitchen roll/toilet tube inners, foil milk bottle tops, coffee jar lids, wooden cotton reels, wool and string. Please leave in the hall. Many thanks!

Exciting News

Sarah Mackay and son Will are going out to Nairobi in July, after Will's GCSEs, to stay with Colin and Anita Smith and their girls. Sarah can't wait to catch up with Barrack and all the friends she made two years ago. Let's try to raise lots of money for the Smith family at next month's Homemade Stall on the 6th. Please bring lots of homemade treats, cakes and cards and lots of plants for potting out now the warmer weather really is on its way at last. And don't forget your spending money!



Can you please help?

Horizon is short of volunteers to man the crèche at their next meeting on the 28th May. If you can help, please speak to Julie Partridge, 459906. Thank you!



Big Breakfast 10 is on its way Make a diary note: Saturday, 19th June in the hall. More details soon.



Churchyard Working Party: Saturday, 22nd May

We are so grateful to everybody who helps at our working parties, keeping our church grounds in such good order. Do bring your gardening tools and your energy for as much of the day as you can and you'll be rewarded with a rosy glow and a delicious lunch!



Sunday 6th June

It's National Family Week from 31st May to 6th June which we'll be celebrating on 6th June with a Church Family Barbecue at St Mary's at lunchtime after the Family Service, starting at 12.30. Bring drinks and rugs/chairs and some money to put in the donations pot for the hot dogs and burgers which will be cooked by our in-house chefs for your pleasure and delight!



The 6th June is a special day too because Peter's Pastor / Godfather will be with us from Hungary and has very kindly agreed to preach at the 9.30 service. The bad news is that he'll be preaching in Hungarian but the good news is that Peter will be doing a simultaneous translation into English! How cool is that?

The next Newsletter will be published in three weeks time on Sunday, 6th June. Please let Corinne have copy for the Newsletter in good time, ie by Wednesday, 2nd June for the next edition. Thank you!