Sunday 14th May 2023 THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Collect for the Week

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

10.00 am Parish Eucharist with Baptism

President: Rev. Nicholas Burton, Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

Please see separate booklet

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

Also on Zoom

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link: Liz Goddard

Hymns: Peace is flowing like a river

Trust and obey

Be still for the presence of the Lord

Love divine all loves excelling

Reading: John 14: 15-21

6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Minister: The Vicar

Hymn: NEH 112 Jesus lives! Thy terrors now

Responses: Radcliffe

Psalm: 74 verses 1 - 12

1st Reading: Zechariah 8.1-13 Rose Mutukamaru

Magnificat: Noble in B minor

2nd Reading: Revelation 21.22-22.5 Cherry Mead

Nunc dimittis: Noble in B minor

Anthem: Cantique de Jean Racine – Fauré Hymn: NEH 466 Thou whose almighty word

Amen: Finzi

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 15th May Matthias the Apostle

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer 8.00 pm PCC Meeting in the Lodge

<u>TUESDAY 16th</u> Caroline Chisolm, Social Reformer 1877 Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 17th

8.30 am Fire alarm check and service at The Church Centre

10.00 am - 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre

2.30 pm Clock service at the Parish Church

3.00 pm Communion to Chamberlain Court

THURSDAY 18th ASCENSION DAY

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer 12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

8.00 pm Festival Eucharist

FRIDAY 19th Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, Restorer of the Monastic Life, 988 10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer 12:30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

SATURDAY 20th Alcuin of York, Deacon, Abbot of Tours, 804

NEXT SUNDAY 21st May

The Seventh Sunday of Easter, Sunday After Ascension

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

Lead: Daphne Pollard, Link: Susan Powley

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar



NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Greetings to you all and a very warm welcome to our services on the Sixth Sunday of Easter. Although we are almost at the end of the Easter Season, I trust that we will all continue to rejoice and celebrate the new life we all have in and though Jesus Christ. I also hope that you will join us on Thursday evening (8 pm) at the Parish Church to celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

I would like to thank everyone for your contribution in making last Sunday's service and celebration of the Coronation of King Charles and Queen Camilla such a lovely and memorable event.

The Church will soon enter the two weeks of Thy Kingdom Come, when we are encouraged to pray for the coming of God's Kingdom in our communities and everywhere. Today the Church is observing Mental Health Sunday in an effort to "create communities of radical belonging for all people, including those living with metal health challenges".

Please make time to think of and pray for those with mental health issues, that they will receive appropriate care and support and be able to live fulfilled and flourishing lives.

Ronnie

St Paul's Church Youth Council

The Youth Council continues to grow and establish itself. It is wonderful to see new friendships and confidence grow and develop over pizza, chocolate cake and discussion. A new logo has been designed and agreed giving the Council its own identity and purpose.

The Youth Council will be running the BBQ and the Jumble Sale at the upcoming Church Summer Fayre on June 17th and will be very grateful for any jumble or bric a brac.

Our next meeting is Thursday 1st June at 6 pm in The Lodge behind the Parish Church. Everyone aged between 11 and 17 is very welcome. We look forward to welcoming a member of the Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells beekeeping Society to talk about the joys and challenges of keeping bees with a possibility of having a couple of hives in our two churchyards. We may even be able to produce our own church honey!

Thursday June 29th sees us returning to the much needed road crossing with Parish Councillor Paul Gripper joining us. Either just turn up on the 1st or 29th or if you would like more information e-mail stpauls.cyc@gmail.com. You will be sure of a warm welcome. It was agreed our future meetings will be held on the first Thursday of every month.





The altar flowers in Church today are given by Chris Reece in loving memory of his parents

Kathleen and Ken and his sister Wendy

Archaeology in Rusthall

Would you like to know about the fascinating archaeology on your doorstep? Nigel Stapple from West Kent Community Diggers will be talking about all the recent finds in Rusthall at Rusthall Library on Thursday 1^{st} June from 2:30-4 pm

Tickets are free; to book please contact the Library on 0300 413131 or ask a member of staff.

100 Club May Draw

1st Prize - £100 - Number 70, 2nd Prize - £60 - Number 22, 3rd Prize - £40 - Number 99

Draws are held after the service on the first Sunday of every month. Numbers are still available if you would like to join in the fun. Contact Chris Dobson on 07757680165 or Ginette in the Parish Office.

Vacuum Cleaner

The vacuum cleaner at the Parish Church needs replacing as it no longer works. If you have one that you are able to donate we would be most grateful. Please speak to/contact Ginette or the Wardens.

Summer Fayre Saturday 17th at The Church Centre 11 am to 2 pm

We would be very grateful for donations of good quality jumble and bric a brac. Collection boxes will be in both the Church and the Church Centre. Also Raffle Prizes and Bottles for the Bottle Stall.

Nearer the time cakes and plants would also be greatly appreciated.

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