

PCC & Ministry News: The PCC last met on 16th May 2018.

Layout at the rear of church.

As reported last month, PCC decided to trial the option of keeping a line of pews by the font and clearing the area towards the LSR. The pews have all been retained but have now been moved to create a safe storage area for the folding chairs and additional seating at the front of church. The use of the open area and options for furniture within it will be monitored & discussed by PCC each month.

Welcoming:

The table as you enter church has been swapped for a smaller one. This is to try and ease crowding as people enter and leave the church. During the week the table will hold information for visitors. On Sundays it will be cleared for use by the sidespeople. All leaflets, rotas, sign-up sheets etc will be available for browsing in the library area behind the font.

Chosen Charities

Charities for the forthcoming year are:-

Dates	Chosen Charity
May – June 2018	Godmanchester Foodbank
July – August 2018	Molly Smith
September – October 2018	Bloodwise
November – December 2018	Mission Aviation Fellowship
January – February 2019	Magpas Air Ambulance
March – April 2019	Combat Stress

Charities:

Our chosen Charity for May-June is Godmanchester Food Bank

<http://godmanchester.foodbank.org.uk/> The Trussell Trust foodbank network works in partnership with local churches and organisations to bring foodbanks to communities across the UK. There are now over 400 foodbanks in the network. St Mary's have been a collection point for Godmanchester Foodbank for several years. There is a food collection box near the font for our offerings each week and we also pass donations of dried and tinned food from the schoolchildren at harvest festival each year. Please see the charities noticeboard and listen out for notices for more information about this charity during May and June

St Mary's, The Parish Church of Buckden Newsletter : June 2018

Dear Friends,

The Royal wedding has finally happened. It was a day that showed the United Kingdom at its best. And we all wish the Duke and Duchess of Sussex every blessing in their new life together.

And it was great that one of the most talked about events of the day, in a positive way, was Bishop Michael's passionate and eloquent address. Taking two texts, one from the Song of Solomon 'set me as a seal upon your heart for love is as strong as death', and Martin Luther King 'we must discover the power ... of redemptive love and when we do we will make a whole new world' he went on to say up front the source of that love is God. That Jesus died as an act of sacrificial love and so began a revolutionary movement based on the unconditional love of God, with his message about loving God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength and then loving your neighbour as yourself. That is what the church is mandated to do. To change the world. Amen!

Yours in Christ,

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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray:-

That Bishop Michael's message will encourage God focused questions and conversations, and that as a church we are always encouraging people in their journey of faith.

For the many people in our community who are grieving or unwell.

For those planning our Holidays at Home and Holiday Club as they plan and prepare

Have your say!

Sunday 24th June 6pm

Benefice Open Ministry Meeting

An opportunity for all to come along share opinions, ask questions, find out more about the running of our churches. Have your say in an informal setting.

On the 4th Sunday of every month, followed by Night Prayer at 7pm.

**The Closing Date for the July Newsletter is Sunday 24th June
Items by hand to Phil Mowat or to secretary@stmarysbuckden.org.uk .**

DIARY Services and events in June 2018

all events & services take place in St Mary's unless otherwise indicated.

Every Week

Mondays	2.15pm	The Daily Office (daily prayers)
Tuesdays	1.30pm	The Daily Office (daily prayers)
Wednesdays	9.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cup of tea & chat
	10.30am	Going Deeper - a look at Sunday's readings
Thursdays	*11.15pm*	NEW TIME The Daily Office (daily prayers)
Fridays	9.15am	The Daily Office (daily prayers)
Saturdays	10.30am	Coffee & Cakes til noon

Sat 2	10.00am	Churchyard Tidy
Sun 3	11:00am	Family Communion
	6.00pm	BCP Holy Communion
Sat 9	6:00pm	Pimms & Puds (31 Greenway)
Sun 10	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	Morning Service
Weds 13	2.30pm	Friends in Deed Drop-in Café (LSR)
	7.30pm	M & Ms (art evening at the vicarage)
Fri 15	6.45pm	Angel Voices (LSR)
Sun 17	11:00am	Family Communion
	6.00pm	Evensong
Weds 20	7.30pm	PCC Meeting (vicarage)
Fri 22	6.45pm	Angel Voices (LSR)
Sun 24	8:00am	BCP Holy Communion
	11:00am	All-age Family Communion
	6:00pm	Open ministry meeting – all welcome
	7:00pm	Night Prayer
Mon 25	1:30pm	Monthly Bible Study (LSR)

All are very welcome to come to any of our services and events. There is also a 9.30am service each Sunday at our sister church, All Saints', in Offord Cluny.

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JUNE EVENTS

Churchyard Tidy

Saturday 2nd June 10am- noon

with free cup of coffee.

Bring your own tools

St Mary's Fundraisers' - Pimms & Puds!

Saturday 9th June 6pm at 31 Greenway

Tickets £10 from Patsy 810041

Friends in Deed: DROP-IN CAFE

Wednesday 13th June - LSR

2.30pm – 4pm Tea/coffee/cakes & chat

M&Ms ladies' group

Wednesday 13th June 7.30pm

Art Evening - at the vicarage

Sunday 24th June 6pm

Open Meeting

Please join us for this opportunity to come and have your say in an informal setting. On the 4th Sunday each month. Followed by Night Prayer at 7pm.

Monday 25th May

Bible Study Group 1.30pm in LSR

GROUPS – please ask for more info

Bell-ringers – practice Monday evenings

Going Deeper – bible study Wednesdays

Jamworkx – kids' afterschool club

M&Ms – monthly ladies' group

Men's Breakfast – monthly men's group

Monthly Bible Study – Monday

Ground Floor Group – Thursday evening

Angel Voices – informal all-age choir

Getting Active – walks & bike rides

MAY WE CONTACT YOU?

There is new data protection legislation (GDPR) from May 2018. We need to have your written consent to store your details and to contact you. Pick up a form in church or download one from www.stmarysbuckden.org.uk to remain on, or to join, any of our mailing lists or to have details stored by Rev Jes and/or St Mary's PCC.