15th April 2018 Notes and News



Christ Church Milton-next-Gravesend A warm welcome to any visitors worshipping with us this morning. Please make yourself known to one of the clergy or the people who greeted you at the door.

Looking Ahead

19th April

2.30 pm Mustard Seed

22nd April

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Family Communion

11.45 am Annual Meeting

26th April

2.00 pm Pilgrim Meeting7.30 pm Pilgrim Meeting

29th April

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Family Communion

5th May

7.30 pm Christian Aid Quiz

6th May

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Family Communion

8th May

7.30 pm Mothers' Union

9th May

7.30 pm

1.45 pm First Steps

10th May Ascension Day 8.00 am Holy Communion 2.00 pm Pilgrim Meeting

> Holy Communion at Holy Family Church

THANK YOU

Sue and Jeremy

would like to thank everyone for the amazing send-off on Sunday. Thank you all for the lovely and thoughtful party and cake, for so many gifts, cards and messages of love and support, and for the amazing generous present which we are so looking forward to indulging ourselves with. Most of all thank you for being there, and for all your friendship over the last 10 years.

We look forward to seeing some of you at the induction service at Borstal on 11th July.



The altar flowers this week are donated by Jan Osborne in memory of her husband, Paul.

Week day services

Holy Communion Wednesday 10.00 am and Saturday 8.00 am Morning Prayer Monday 8.00 am at Christ Church Morning Prayer Tuesday 8.00 am at St. Aidan's Church **Evening Prayer** Wednesday 5.15 pm at Christ Church Morning Prayer Thursday 8.30 am at Holy Family Church **Evening Prayer** Friday 5.15 pm at Holy Family Church

MANY THANKS

to all who have returned their Lent Envelopes.

If you have forgotten yours, it's not too late, please bring it next time you are in church the lovely flowers, cards and good wishes I received after my operation.

Much love, Sandy

The next meeting of **Mustard Seed** is on Thursday 19th April starting at 2.30 pm in the church hall.

This meeting is open to all ages so please come along and enjoy a cup of tea and some cake.

Are you a keen gardener?

We are inviting you to open your garden to friends at church.

We are looking for gardens of any shape or size. The garden does not have to be perfect, it can be a work in progress as most gardens are.

You can open your garden on any date and at a time to suit you.

Please speak to Julie Hill for more information.



Saturday 5th May at 7.30 pm sharp in the church hall

Teams of up to 8 members £5 each

Bring your own refreshments Raffle

To book a table please contact Gill Campbell on 01474 534517

If you cannot make up a team please let Gill know and we will put you with other people.

If you are unable to come perhaps you could donate a prize for the raffle

The Church Annual Meeting will be in church on Sunday 22nd April at 11.45 am.

Anyone can attend the meeting but in order to vote you need to be on the Electoral Roll.

At the meeting we will be electing Church Wardens and members to the Parochial Church Council. If you would like to put your name forward for election for these positions, please have a word with Jan. who has application forms. There are certain conditions to comply with for those who wish to be elected to positions on the PCC.

NGS Pop-up Garden at Bishopscourt 24 St Margaret's Street Rochester on Saturday 21st April from 11.00 am—2.00 pm

Entry £4.00

Refreshments available

Please come and spend some time in this beautiful garden

Ascension Day Thursday 10th May

There will be a said service of Holy Communion in Christ Church at 8.00 am.

There will also be a service of Holy Communion for the cluster churches at Holy Family Church, Palmer Avenue at 7.30 pm.

The afternoon Pilgrim meeting will go ahead as usual at 2.00pm but there will **not** be an evening meeting.

| Ifield Ladies meet again in the church hall on Wednesday 18th | April starting at 7.30 pm.

Their theme is "Easter Tea Tasting".

Iffield Ladies are always pleased to welcome new members and visitors to their meetings.

Collection for Christian Aid Week - Gravesend Station Collection for five days Monday to Friday 14th—18th May. We are hoping to cover the hours between 7 and 10 am and 4 and 7 pm.

Please help even if you can only spare one hour.

Please email Mavis Prater <u>mavisprater@hotmail.co.uk</u> or ring her on 01474 812330 if you can help.



Many thanks to everyone who supports the food bank.

At present they need -Tinned meat products, No fridge/UHT milk, instant mash, no fridge/UHT juice, jam/peanut butter, packet soup, instant rice, tinned spaghetti.

They do **not** need tins of soup, baked beans, pasta or tea. Thank you. Please remember to bring your old mobile phones, phone cards, spectacles, Canon and HP printer cartridges (no other ink cartridges, thank you), stamps, foreign coins, postcards, etc. for re-cycling.

Please put them in Priest Jacqueline's box at the back of the church.

We support Ellenor, Demelza House, The Children's Society, Leprosy Mission, RNLI and Cancer Research UK

Your contributions provide valuable support to hard-pressed charities and are very gratefully received as well as doing something for the planet.

Gluten free Communion wafers are available at every service—please have a word with the Churchwardens or Clergy if you would like to receive gluten free wafers.

Items for the news sheet should be sent to juliehill34@aol.com or left on the clip in the lobby. Items for the website should be sent to ccwebsite@tjmcomp,co,uk

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