

17th June 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

17th June
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am Family Communion
21st June
2.00 pm Pilgrims Meeting
2.30 pm Mustard Seed
7.30 pm Pilgrims Meeting
24th June
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am Family Communion led by Mothers' Union members
1st July
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am Family Communion
5th July
2.00 pm Pilgrims Meeting
7.30 pm Pilgrims Meeting
8th July
8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am All Age Communion
4.00 pm Evensong
10th July
6.30 pm Semiquavers' Concert
7.50 pm Mothers' Union
11th July
1.45 pm First Steps Service



The altar flowers this Sunday are sponsored by Annie Southwick, in memory of her husband, Barry.

The PCC met at a Special Meeting last Sunday to take the next steps towards the appointment of a new vicar for Christ Church. They have prepared a Parish Profile describing the conditions, needs and traditions of the Parish for the benefit of potential candidates.

They have also elected two representatives who will meet with the Bishop or his representative and the new Area Dean to look at applications and decide the next step forward. These are Jan Osborne and Andy Nailor.

The PCC plans to keep the congregation fully informed of progress towards the filling of the post.

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

My family and I would like to thank you for cards and prayers at the sad loss of David and for your support attending his funeral. He would have been proud.

God bless you all, Mavis

The next meeting of the Pilgrims will be on Thursday 21st June at 2.00 pm at Anne's, 43 Park Avenue and at 7.30 pm at Karen's, 28 The Sandpipers.

Please come along and join us.

Mustard Seed next meets on Thursday 21st June in the church hall at 2.30 pm

This is open to anyone to come along and have a chat while enjoying a cup of tea, cake and biscuits.

Why not give it a try!



If you give regularly to Christ Church by envelope or standing order and you Gift Aid your donations, there is an end of financial year letter for you at the back of the church. They are in alphabetical order. Please take yours today.

Farewell to the Vicarage

Sue and Jeremy have finished sorting their belongings in the Vicarage and still have a few items to dispose of.

These are mainly furniture, electrical equipment including a washing machine make LG 8 kg, 6 years old, little used, and a dishwasher Hotpoint Aquarius approx. 12 years old and some Christian and theological books—plus some other bits and bobs.

Sue will be at the Vicarage on Wednesday, 20th June between 12 noon and 5 pm. So please do pop in for tea and cake .. either to see if you can use anything that is going—or just for a chat.

After that the final items will be taken away by house clearers... so you are doing a favour if there is anything you can use.



The 10.00 am service next Sunday will be led by members of the Mothers' Union.

The next MU meeting will be on Tuesday 10th July following the Semiquavers' Concert .

MANY THANKS

Sandy and Ted wish to thank everyone who supported their Cuppa for a Cause day. £1,060 (donations still coming) was raised for Alzheimer and Dementia Support Service.

There will be a 6 or 12 mile Sponsored Walk in aid of School Pastors on Saturday 23rd June. Registration is at 9.30 am at Cascades Leisure Centre.

For more information please contact melvaderek@gmail.com or 01474 334155

The next meeting of

IFIELD LADIES
is on
Wednesday 20th June
in
the Church Hall
at 7.30 pm

when they will hear about

“Winterdale Cheesemakers”

They are always pleased to welcome visitors to their meetings.

**St Mary’s Summer Quiz
on
Saturday 30th June
in
St. Mary’s Church Hall
at
6.30 for 7.00 pm**

£6.50 includes ‘Ploughman’

Teams of 8 or they will put you in a team.

Park in the school car park
BYO drinks

To book please contact
Barbara Wilkins 362112 or
Vic 351502

OPEN GARDENS

During the summer seven of our congregation will be opening their gardens to raise money for Christ Church.

The first garden will be **Julie’s at 34 Whitehill Road which will be open from 2.00 pm—5.00 pm on Thursday 28th June.**

Details of other open gardens will be given on the sheet.

Please visit if you can.

**Space for God
Praying with the Bible
Lectio Divina**

You are invited to a day on Praying with the Bible at St. Benedict's Centre, West Malling on Saturday 7th July from 9.30 am—1.00 pm.

A morning session which will help to explore how to pray with the Bible. Led by Rev. Sue Smith

Pray lies at the heart of the church and our lives and the Christian tradition offers a treasure of different ways of exploring prayer.

There will be some input and time to pray with the Bible.

There is no charge for this event and it is open to all.

Book on line at the Diocese of Rochester website

<https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/MzAxLTExMg/t>

**MV Empire Windrush Anniversary
Remember, Learn, Pray**

To mark the 70th anniversary of the arrival of MV Windrush at Tilbury Docks on 22nd June 1948, Bishop James invites all who wish to join him for a service on

**Saturday 30th June
at
11. 00 am
in
St. Margaret's Church,
St. Margaret's Street
Rochester ME1 1UF**

followed by a bring and share lunch at Bishops court, 24 St. Margaret's Street.

Please bring food - drinks, plates and cutlery will be provided.

Advance notice

Deanery Confirmation—1st July

Semiquavers' Summer Concert - 10th July

In the bookcase near the main door to the church you will find Bibles that you can borrow during the service. Please help yourselves and replace the Bible at the end of the service.

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