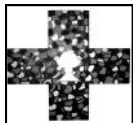


30th September 2018

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

30th Sept

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Family Communion

7th Oct.

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Family Communion

9th Oct

7.30 pm Mothers' Union

10th Oct

1.45 pm First Steps

11th Oct

2.00 pm Pilgrim Meeting

7.30 pm Pilgrim Meeting

13th Oct

9.30 am Working Party

14th Oct Harvest Thanksgiving

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am All Age Communion

11.30 am Shared lunch and Flash

Choir concert

4.00 pm

Festal Evensong

18th Oct

2.30 pm

Mustard Seed

21st Oct

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Family Communion

3.00 pm Black History Month

Thanksgiving Service



The altar flowers this week have been sponsored and arranged by Janet

Dunlop in memory of Geoff.
10 years on.

The Parishes
of the Gravesend Deanery
A gathering to unite us in service and
worship

**Reflecting on the Cross of Nails
on
Thursday 4th October
at
St. Mary's Church
Wrotham Road**

A meeting and service of Holy
Communion for all.

Join us at 7.30 pm for refreshments
and to discover more about the Cross
of Nails and the Healing Creative
Peace to which God Calls us.

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



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Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 14th October



8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am All Age Holy Communion
4.00 pm Festal Evensong

We are trying something different to celebrate Harvest this year.

After the 10.00 am service there will be coffee as usual.

From 11.30 am we will be putting together a "Flash" choir, that is everyone who loves to sing will rehearse together ready to perform after lunch.

For those not wishing to join in the singing there will be activities and a chance to chat and catch up with friends.

We will have a shared lunch followed by a performance by "The Flash Choir".

Please join us in our celebrations, there will be something for everyone.

There are two lists at the back of the church, one for you to let us know you are coming and what you will be bringing to share for lunch and one to sign up to sing in the choir.

Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

Please bring gifts of non-perishable food to donate to the Foodbank



Hope to see you there

We will be decorating the church ready for Harvest on Saturday 13th October from 2.00pm. We would appreciate help with decorating the pillars and windowsills. Do come along and join in the fun, full instructions given.

We would really appreciate any foliage that anyone can spare from their gardens. Please bring it along on the 13th.

Thanking you in advance for your help on the day.

We are starting another course for young people who would like to receive Holy Communion (before Confirmation).

The preliminary meeting for parents and young people will be on Friday 30th November in church at 4.00 pm.

Please let Sheila Brown or Karen Seggie know as soon as possible if you are interested. Your child should be baptised or willing to be baptised before receiving Holy Communion.

The course will run on Fridays from 4.00—5.30 pm. There will be two sessions in December and the course will then continue from the new year until Easter 2019.

Our next Mothers' Union meeting will be on **Tuesday 9th October in the Church Hall starting at 7.30 pm.**, when we will be welcoming a speaker from Gravesend RNLI.

Please come and join us for what will be a very interesting meeting.

Here is early notice of our **Christmas Frost Fair which will be held on Saturday 10th November at 10.30 am**

Please put this date in your diaries and start to collect items for the many stalls and sideshows.

We will be meeting shortly to decide which charities we will be supporting in 2019.

If you have a favourite charity local, national or international you would like us to consider, please give us some information about it and we will consider it along with others. Please pass your information to Julie Hill as soon as possible.



Shoebox Appeal

We are again filling shoeboxes for those who are not so fortunate as us.

Please take a look at Veronica's display or pick up a leaflet for more information.

Please start filling your shoeboxes now as the closing date is the end of October.

Please join us for

**FIRST STEPS SERVICE
in Church
on Wednesday 10th October
at 1.45 pm**

This is a service especially for families with pre-school children. After the service we enjoy refreshments in the hall while the children play.

Making Miracles

The Big Knit
in
Rochester Cathedral
on
Saturday 13th October
from
10 am—1 pm

Please come along and help to knit or crochet 6" x 6" squares in pink, blue, cream or white as part of Baby Loss Awareness Week.

Please bring size 8 needles.

If you are knitting any squares in advance of this date please use 30 stitches and knit 56 rows on No8 needles.

Please bring with you any squares you have already knitted or other baby items which could be sold on the stalls.

Please email

sally@makingmiracles.org.uk

to let them know you wish to take part.



Poppies

Please get out your knitting needles and crochet hooks and start to make poppies to be displayed in the Warrior Chapel at Remembrance time.

Patterns are available from Priest Jacqueline.



SOUPA MEAL

There will be a Soupa Meal on Wednesday 17th October between 12.45 and 1.45 pm in St. George's Church Hall. The cost is £2.50.

There will be a bring & Buy stall, home-made cakes, savouries and preserves and a selection of Christmas cards.

Please support this if you can.

Black History Month 2018

2nd Service of Thanksgiving
on
Sunday 21st October
at
3.00 pm
in
Christ Church.

Please join us as we celebrate diversity in Gravesend and Northfleet.



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