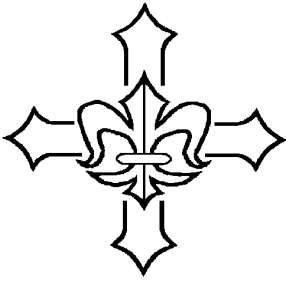


Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Godmanchester

Weekly Newsletter



Sunday 20 May 2007

Easter 7

Holy Communion

President & Preacher: David Busk

Sung Eucharist

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Readers:	Tony Bird, John Bathurst-Hoile
Readings:	Acts 16: 16 – 34, Revelation 22: 12–14,16–17, 20-end
Gospel	John 17: 20 - end
Intercessions	Paul Sibley
Hymns	271, 130, 134, 345
Communion	342(t 178), 499

Sung Evensong

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Hymns	433, 378, 107
Psalm	68: 1 – 10

Collect

Risen ascended Lord.
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all that are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

Street Prayer Mission: Porch Close, Grainger Avenue , Littlefield Close, Sears Close

Charity of the month: Tear Fund

Holy Communion. All are welcome at the altar rail. If you are a communicant member of your own Church, you are welcome to receive the Sacrament here. Or if you would like to receive a Blessing, please come forward with a hymn book, kneel at the rail and bow your head.

Notices

Summer opening

We are hoping to continue the practice set by Penny Jones of keeping the church open on either/or Saturday and Sunday afternoons during the summer months. But it will depend on the number of volunteers. If you are able to give an hour, please sign the rota at the back of the church. If you are unable to give a commitment immediately, *please phone Liz Irving (382144)* when you are.

Child protection training sessions

Yvonne Quirk, who is the Diocesan Advisor on Child Protection, will be conducting two identical training sessions for all whose roles in the church bring them into any regular contact with children or young people. This includes leaders and helpers for the Children's Church, Youth Group, Vestry Group, Stepping Stones and St Mary's 0-5s, all in the ministry team, the Churchwardens, adult servers, and members of the choir. If you are comprised in this list, and if you have never attended such a session or have not been to one in the past four years, diocesan policy **requires** that you should do so. The last session will be on Tuesday May 22nd at 7.00pm, to be held in the church hall and lasting about 2 ½ hours. It is free, but we may ask for a few pence for refreshments. There is a maximum of 25 places for each session.

David Busk (436400)

Ivor Warboys

Rolley Warboys wishes to thank Ally, Pat, Paul, David and all the members of the congregation, who have been praying for his son. Ivor died on April 29 in South Africa after a long illness. Rolley also very much appreciates the support given to him at this sad time.

Ruth Ekblom would like to hear from anyone who may have an unused piano or keyboard for a beginner to learn to play. Please contact her on **374809**

Planting Out

By kind permission of Christopher and Lady Linda Vane Percy, the 14th Plant Sale will be held on Sunday 27 May, 11am - 5pm. As usual, there will be a wide range of plants available. Donated plants will also be welcome. ***Proceeds to church funds.***

Island Hall's Gardens will also be open from 12 noon - 5pm. Admission to the plant sale is free: gardens £3 (accompanied children free). ***Proceeds to Macmillan Nurses and local charities.*** Help to man the plant sale would be welcome.

Contacts Roy Norris(431961) and Peter Irving (382144)

Men's Social Group.

We are planning to visit the Shuttleworth Collection of old aeroplanes and cars on Tuesday 5th June, leaving the QE school car park at 10.0am. If you would like to come ***please contact either Peter Dawe (392188) or Peter Irving (382144)*** so that we can organise the transport. There is a restaurant on site which serves hot meals and snacks; the entry fee to the Collection is £10. Do join us for an interesting day out - everyone welcome.

Summer fete – 16 June 2007

Please support the Summer fete - this is an important fundraising event for St Mary's.

Below is a provisional list of stall holders. Trevor & Linda Weedon have very kindly agreed to run the Grand Draw again, but perhaps someone might think about helping them with a view to taking it over next year. We still need volunteers to run the Book stall and help with the Teas (I am always grateful to the usual band of people who just turn up every year to pour tea, wash up etc). Please think about whether you could undertake these tasks – it is only once a year and the more people involved the better. All the stalls need donations and cakes will be needed for the Teas and the cake stall. Donations can be given to the stall holders nearer the time.

GRAND DRAW – Trevor & Linda Weedon

GAMES - Youth group - Gordon Peacock

BOUNCY CASTLE - Jennie Parker

TEAS - Pat Alburey - (Christine Parker)

BOTTLE STALL - Jack Shimmons

BOOKS - Volunteers needed

GIFTS - Catheryn Turrell - (Pam Ayres)

CAKE STALL - Mothers Union

NEARLY NEW - Olwyn Hurd

PLANTS - Shelley and Jim Heeley

FLOWER STALL - Jean Miller

GAMES, BRAN TUB etc - Children's Church

ICE CREAMS - Jean Morgan

GATE TICKETS - Choir members

All offers of help, particularly on the day, will be gratefully received.

Thank you for your support.

Christine and Mike Parker (459640 or christine.mike.parker@ntlworld.com)

Moving house

I am having to move out of my current house before I can move into my new home, so I won't be available on my usual phone number for the time being. *My mobile number is 07790 703675. Pat Saunders.*

Supper and Film Evening

Can we thank Peter & Liz Irving, John & Gill Bathurst-Hoile and all their helpers for giving us all such an enjoyable evening last Saturday. They may well find that they have the job for life!!

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY (24 MAY)

Newsletter Compiler

Bizz Thackray will be the Newsletter compiler from 1 April to 27 May

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All contributions please by 18.30 on the Thursday.

DAIRY

Sunday 20th May **Easter 7**
8:00 *Holy Communion*
9:45 *Sung Eucharist –*
 Children’s Church & Vestry Group
12noon *Spring Barbecue*
18:30 *Sung Evensong*
18.45 *Youth Group at 38 London Road, (new home of Mike & Jen)*

Monday 21st May
13:30 *Stepping Stones – Baptist Church Centre*

Tuesday 22nd May
10:45 *Community School – ‘Rites of Passage’ - Church*
19:00 *Child Protection Training Session – Church Hall*
19.30 *Deanery Synod – Ellington Village Hall*

Wednesday 23rd May
9:45 *Holy Communion – McCartney House*
20:00 *Bell Ringing Practice*

Thursday 24th May

9:30 *St Mary;s 0s – 5s – Comrades Club*
9:45 *Holy Communion*
19:30 *Archdeacon’s Visit*
19:30 *Prayer Group Meeting – 36 Old Court Hall*

Friday 25th May
19:30 *Choir Practice*

Saturday 26th May
12:00noon *Marriage Blessing: Kiyoshi Matsuguma and Kayoko Nohdomi*

Sunday 27th May **Pentecost**
8:00 *Holy Communion*
9:45 *All Age Eucharist*
11:00 *Plant Sale*
18.30 *Sung Evensong*
18:45 *Youth Group*

Coffee is served in the Church Hall after the morning Eucharist. Everyone is welcome

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