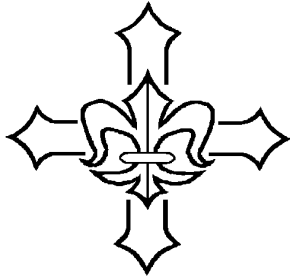


Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Godmanchester

Weekly Newsletter



Sunday 8th June 2008

Trinity 3

Holy Communion

President David Busk *Preacher:* David Busk

Sung Eucharist

President: Derek Billings *Preacher:* Pat Saunders

Deacon David Busk

Reader

Faith Back

Readings

Hosea 5:15 - 6:6

Gospel

Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

Intercessions

Dai Morgan

Hymns

408, 428, 451, 466

Communion

303, 378

Carers' Service

Minister: David Busk

Separate order of service

Sung Evensong

Minister: Gillian Bathurst-Hoile

Hymns

294, 464, 331

Psalm

41

Collect

God our Saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Street Prayer Mission: Park Lane, The Avenue, Pavilion Close

Charity of the month: Committee for Family and Social Welfare

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

Ordination of Mary Jepp

Our new curate, Mary Jepp, will be ordained Deacon in Ely Cathedral on Saturday 28th June at 3.00pm.

All are welcome to this service, but space may be limited. The cathedral would be glad to have some idea of numbers beforehand. If you plan on going, could you kindly let me know by Sunday 15th at the latest?

We will not be arranging transport to the cathedral, but if you would like a lift, you can call me to see if anyone has space in their car.

David Busk (436400)

Wives' Group

Visit to Paxton Pits Nature Reserve - Tuesday 10th June leaving Godmanchester at 6.30pm in shared cars. Please contact Voirrey Butterworth (456608) for further details.

Barbara Thirlwall

Burma Cyclone - Retiring Collection

The collection for the Burma Cyclone Appeal came to £152. The treasurer has sent a cheque for this amount to Christian Aid which is coordinating donations for the wider appeal. Many thanks to all those who made a donation.

Roy Norris Charities Committee

Annual Plant Sale

In spite of the inhospitable weather our small band of resilient plant sellers managed to raise £383, (£424 in 2007), for church funds. The organisers are very grateful to all those who braved the persistent rain to give their support.

Roy Norris

Wanted

If you have any plants or cuttings which you would be willing to give for the Plant stall at the church summer fete on 21st June, please speak to the plant stallholders:

Robert or Margaret Caroe (393806)

We need some 2p coins for the children to use as tokens at a picnic in the vicarage gardens on Sunday July 13th. If you have any to spare, we would be very glad to receive them.

Gill Bathurst(465442) or

Jean Morgan (417502)

Website Fundraising

We have received our first cheque from easyfundraising. The cheque is for £49.59 and it comes as a result of people using the links on the Church website for carrying out internet searches, and online shopping through any of the supported retail outfits e.g. Amazon etc.

This sum of money has been achieved by a few people changing their habits slightly when using the internet; the more of us that do this, the more money we can raise for the Church.

At the end of this quarter, easyfundraising paid out a massive £80,000 to good causes across the UK; as a result of people changing their habits slightly.

The search engine used has been improved enormously since they started combining results from three well known internet search engines and is now well on a par with Google for the quality of results produced.

There is a good selection of online stores supported through the shopping portal.

A quick, one time, registration means that a percentage of what you spend is given back

to the Church. I tend to buy quite a lot of books through Amazon; and not only do I benefit from the good discounts available to all, but the Church receives 2.5% of what I spend too. To achieve that I've only had to make a very small change to my internet use; instead of going directly to the Amazon website, I go through the easyfundraising links, two extra clicks with my mouse.

If you search the internet at all, or shop online, do please consider using the links on the Church website. It won't cost you anything and the Church will benefit. Thank you to those people who have helped us benefit already.

Paul Sibley

Men's Social Group - Advance notice.

We have arranged a visit to The Military Intelligence Museum at Chicksands for Tuesday 1 July, leaving Godmanchester at 10.45am and returning after lunch. For security reasons we are required to submit the list of names and details of cars a fortnight before the visit. If you wish to come you MUST let me have your name, and that of any 'guest', by close of play on Sunday 15 June. It would be helpful if you could indicate whether you are willing to help with the transport.

Peter Dawe (392188)
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Summer Exercise

This could be your opportunity to fine tune your physique! We need as many volunteers as possible on Saturday 14th June between 9.00am and 12.00 noon to prepare the Vicarage garden in readiness for the Summer Fete.

If you have strong gloves and secateurs or loppers, please bring them. Otherwise just bring yourselves!

Jean Morgan (417502) or Malcolm Harris (395814)

Christian Aid Week 11-17th May 2008

A big thank you to all who gave so generously during Christian Aid Week and special thanks go to St Mary's collectors for their efforts. The total collected so far is £1,606. Today is the last day for collection.

I would also like to thank all who came to the Christian Aid Quiz Night on 15th May. £126 was sent to Christian Aid which increased to £161 with Gift Aid.

Trevor Weedon

Summer Fete 21st June

Thanks to everyone who offered help. We could still do with a couple more people to help with the teas please. Please note that there won't be a 'Nearly New' stall or a Flower stall this year, so donations will not be required.

We will however need donations for the other stalls and these can be given to the stallholders nearer the time or to us.

Christine and Mike Parker (459640)
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Newsletter Compiler

Jean Morgan is newsletter compiler during June and July. Jean can be contacted on 417502 or morgan_01339@msn.com.

All contributions would be appreciated by 6.30pm Thursday please.

DIARY

Sunday 8th June Trinity 3

- 08:00 *Holy Communion*
- 09:45 *Sung Eucharist*
- 15:00 *Carers Service*
- 18:30 *Sung Evensong*
- 18:45 *Youth Group – Film editing/Chilling out (Church Hall)*

Monday 9th June

- 13:30 *Stepping Stones (Baptist Church Centre)*
- 20:00 *Signing Group (79 Roman Way)*

Tuesday 10th June

- 12:15 *Churches Together Prayer (All Saints Huntingdon)*
- 18.30 *Wives' Group visit to Paxton Nature Reserve*
- 19:30 *GMC in Bloom Meeting (QE School)*

Wednesday 11th June

- 10:30 *Holy Communion (Oak Tree Court)*

Thursday 12th June

- 09:45 *Holy Communion*
- 10:00 *St Mary's 0-5s (Comrades Club)*

Friday 13th June

- 19:30 *Choir Practice*

Saturday 14th June

- 09:00 - 12:00 *Vicarage garden working party*
- 14:00 *Wedding – Mark Crawley/Jennifer Coles*

Sunday 15th June Trinity 4

- 08:00 *Holy Communion*
- 09:45 *Sung Eucharist*
- 18:30 *Sung Evensong*
- 18:45 *Youth Group – Film editing/Chilling out (Church Hall)*

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

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