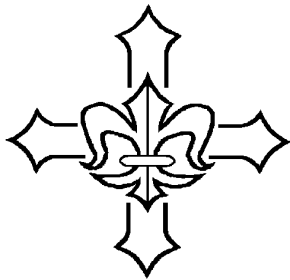


Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Godmanchester

Weekly Newsletter



Sunday 12th July 2009

Trinity Five

Holy Communion

President & Preacher: David Busk

Sung Eucharist

President: Jerry Craddock Preacher: David Busk
Deacon: David Busk

Readers
Readings

Mary Hardy & Molly Jones
Amos Ch 7 vv 7-15 & Ephesians Ch 1 vv 3-14

Gospel

Mark Ch 6 vv 14-29

Intercessions

Trevor Weedon

Hymns
verses

485, Panis Angelicus, 348, 499, 375 please omit any *

Communion

274, 304

Sung Evensong

Mary Jepp

Readings

Job Ch 4 v 1, 5 vv 6-end & Romans Ch 15 vv 14-29

Hymns
Psalm

495, 393, 416 please omit any * verses
66 vv 1-8

Collect

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Street Prayer Mission: For those living outside of the Parish.

Charity of the month: USPG

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

Thank You

I would like to express my great thanks for all that you have done. I have been truly overwhelmed by your great kindness, rest assured that you have helped to make my priesting truly unforgettable. Many thanks Mary.

Cantoris Novae

Today at Sung Eucharist we welcome the choir Cantoris Novae from Sheffield. During the service they will be singing the anthem Panis Angelicus by César Franck..

Picnic In The Vicarage Garden

This year's picnic will be held today from 12 noon. Activities will include a treasure hunt, games, balloon modelling, cake and races. Entry is free to all – just bring your own picnic, drink and blanket. There will a fancy dress parade, and also opportunities to show off decorated hats and bikes, with judging at 12:30pm. Everyone is welcome for a fun, informal afternoon. Just turn up in the garden! *Angela Wright 437090.*

Youth Group

Youth Group tonight will be a planning evening for Greenbelt 2009 at 38 London Road.

Charity Coffee Evening

Wives' Group are holding a coffee evening in support of East Anglian Air Ambulance on Tuesday 14th July at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend at 49 London Road. Entry is £2 including refreshments and there will be a raffle and bring & buy.

Launching Parish Nursing

Godmanchester Baptist Church started a Parish Nursing scheme 3½ years ago. St. Mary's is now hoping to launch its own scheme. What is Parish Nursing? What can it do for us? How can it be useful in our local community? Come to an informal

presentation and chance to ask questions at the vicarage on Wednesday 15th July at 8 pm. *Margaret Caroe 393806.*

Ancient to Modern

Tapestry head an evening of early music and contemporary compositions at All Saints' Church, Huntingdon, on Wednesday 15th July at 7.30pm. Supported by Hinchingsbrooke School Chamber Choir, ahead of their forthcoming Germany tour, the extensive programme will include performances of *Missa Papae Marcelli* (Palestrina), *Hanacpachap Cuisicuinin* (Anon), *The Lamb* (Taverner) and *Gloria* (Adams). There will be a retiring collection for Cambridgeshire Search and Rescue.

Funeral of Alexander McKerron

On Thursday 16th July, the funeral of Alexander McKerron, of The Chestnuts, will be held in church at 11.30 am. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Port Holme Sponsored Walk – 18th July

Sponsor forms are now available at the back of church for the Port Holme Sponsored Walk on Saturday 18th July at 11.30am. All are welcome to join in: Louise has tested a route on Port Holme, which takes her about 25 minutes to walk, and we'll have a shorter one available too. We would like to know approximate numbers of participants by 13th July, so please contact Louise or Victoria if you intend to take part, and for more details. Louise Allen (450440) and Victoria Richardson (431430).

Garden Party

Come along to Rectory Gardens for a garden party on Saturday 18th July from 2-4pm. There will be refreshments, a tom bola, bottle stall etc. *Janet Ranger 412161.*

Churches Together Ladies Breakfast

The next ladies breakfast will be held on Saturday 1st August at the Barley Mow, Hartford Road Huntingdon, 8.30 - 10.30

am. The guest speaker will be Jean Casling who will share the role of 'The Spring' - a place of support and change through prayer. There is a choice of full English or Continental breakfast at a cost of £6. Please book your place by 28th July. Bookings through Chris Harter on 01480 459703 or Claudette Simcoe on 01480 412304.

Porch Museum

Enjoy Godmanchester's extraordinary and diverse history with a visit to the Porch Museum at the Queen Elizabeth School. Open on 2nd August and 6th September, the museum has fascinating Roman discoveries from the great Godmanchester Fort and lovely Celtic accessories. Discover the warm human stories behind the names on the graves in St. Mary's Churchyard. In 1914 men of Godmanchester joined up to fight the First World War war on bicycles. Come and see who they were. Take a look at Edwardian Godmanchester in the work of the town's own Royal Photographer.

Sponsored Ride & Stride

This year's sponsored cycle/walk around the Diocese, in support of the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust, will be taking place on Saturday 12th September. This is just an early notice so that you can put the date in your diary and repair your bicycle or dubbin your walking boots. More details will follow soon.

Humour Part I

Two brothers are terrible troublemakers. They are always breaking things, stealing things, lying, and making all kinds of general trouble. The parents have tried everything to get the boys to change, to no avail. Finally, out of options, they ask their pastor if he can help. He says he will talk to the boys, but only one at a time. The parents drop off the youngest and go home, promising to return to get him soon. The boy sits in a chair across from the pastor's desk and they just look at each other.

Finally, the Pastor says, "Where is God?"
The boy just sits there and doesn't answer.
The pastor begins to look stern and loudly says, "Where is God?"
The little boy shifts in his seat, but still doesn't answer.
The pastor is starting to get angry at the boy's refusal to converse and practically shouts "Where is God?"
To the pastor's surprise, the little boy jumps up out of his chair and runs out of the office.
The boy leaves the church and runs all the way home, up the stairs and into his brother's room. He shuts the door and pants, "We're in BIG TROUBLE. God's missing and they think we did it!"

Humour Part II

A man, down on his luck, went into a church which catered to a very discerning congregation of affluent city types. Spotting the man's dirty clothes a deacon, worried about the churches image, went to the man and asked him if he needed help. The man said, "I was praying and the Lord told me to come to this church." The deacon suggested that the man go pray some more and possibly he might get a different answer. The next Sunday the man returned. The deacon asked, "Did you get a different answer?" The man replied, "Yes I did. I told the Lord that they don't want me in that church and the Lord said, 'Don't worry about it son; I've been trying to get into that church for years and haven't made it yet.'"

Newsletter Compiler

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Prayer Corner

Father, please heal and strengthen those still enslaved in Sudan and restore their fortunes. Thank you for the great things you have done. Please do great things in Sudan by setting the captives free and turning their tears into songs of joy. Amen.

DIARY

Sunday 12th July

Trinity Five

- 08:00 *Holy Communion*
- 09:45 *Sung Eucharist (Children's Church)*
- 12:00 *Picnic in the Garden (Vicarage Garden)*
- 18:30 *Sung Evensong*
- 18:45 *Youth Group – Greenbelt 2009 Planning (38 London Road)*

Monday 13th July

- 13:30 *Stepping Stones Service (Church)*
- 20:00 *Signing Group (18 Windsor Road)*
- 20:00 *Worship Group Meeting (10 East Chadley Lane)*

Tuesday 14th July

- 07:30 *Morning Prayer*
- 19:30 *Wives' Group Charity Coffee Evening (Church Hall)*

Wednesday 15th July

- 10:30 *Holy Communion (Woodley Court)*

Thursday 16th July

- 07:30 *Morning Prayer*
- 09:45 *Holy Communion*
- 10:00 *St Mary's 0-5s (Comrades Club)*
- 11:30 *Funeral of Alexander McKerron*
- 20:00 *Service of Benediction by Guild of the Servants of the Sanctuary*

Friday 17th July

- 14:00 *Leavers' Service (St Anne's School)*
- 19:30 *Choir Practice (Church Hall)*

Saturday 18th July

- 11:45 *Visit of Anglo-Catholic History Society (Church)*
- Evening *MAP Social Evening (Vicarage)*

Sunday 19th July

Trinity Six

- 08:00 *Holy Communion*
- 09:45 *Sung Eucharist (Children's Church)*
- 11:30 *Baptism*
- 18.30 *Sung Evensong*

Refreshments are served after the 9.45am Eucharist. Everyone is welcome

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