

ST GEORGE, BICKLEY

NEWSLETTER 17th March 2024

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

EASTER CLEANING Please come and help clean the church if you are able on Holy Saturday, 30th March, from 9am onwards. Materials provided.

EASTER VIGIL PARTY There is a list at the back of church for you to indicate what sort of finger food you will bring to the party after the Vigil Mass on 30th.

EASTER VIGIL TRANSPORT If you would like to come to the Vigil (7pm Saturday 30th) but need a lift, or if you could offer a lift, please speak to Beverley.

EASTER FLOWERS There is a collection basket at the back of church for donations for Easter flowers. You can also use the card machine but remember to tell the person in charge what it is for. Thank you.

PALM CROSSES We shall be making palm crosses at 6 Wythes Close, Bickley BR1 2BA on Wednesday 20th March, 10.30 to 12. Do come along and learn how to make them – tuition given – they are not difficult to make!

CANTERBURY PILGRIMAGE We shall be going to Canterbury by coach on Saturday 4th May for a devotional pilgrimage to the Cathedral, led by Fr Henry and Fiona. Tickets strictly limited £50 (includes transport and Cathedral admission). Coach leaves St George's 12.30pm, returns around 8pm. Book your place with Beverley (payment on booking please).

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM will be on Friday 12th to Sunday 14th July this year. To book your place please complete a booking form (at the back of church) and return that and £30 deposit to Graham Callow by 30th April. If you want to know more, do ask Fr Henry.

SERVICE OF PENANCE & RECONCILIATION at 5pm next Sunday here. A joint service with Rochester Forward in Faith parishes. All welcome. Tea afterwards.

GOD AND ART lecture at St John's, Park Rd, next Sunday 7.30pm.

PCC MEETING Tuesday 19th at 7.30pm after Mass at 7pm.

THE PCC WANTS TO APPOINT A PUBLICITY OFFICER If you think this could be you, please speak to Fr Henry.

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 9.30 Mass (ST JOSEPH)

Readings: 2 Samuel 7; 4-5, 12-14, 16. Romans 4; 13, 16-18, 22. Matthew 1; 16, 18-21, 24.

7.00pm Mass for PCC Meeting

Wednesday 9.30 Mass

Daniel 3; 14-20, 24-25, 28. John 8; 31-43.

Thursday 9.30 Mass

Genesis 17; 3-9. John 8; 51-59.

Friday 9.30 Mass (Parish Requiem for March)

Jeremiah 20; 10-13. John 10; 31-42.

3.00pm Stations of the Cross.

Saturday 9.30 Mass and Rosary

Ezekiel 37; 21-28. John 11; 45-56.

5.00pm Confessions.

Next Sunday (Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord)

8.00 Low Mass (traditional rite)

10.30 Blessing of Palms, Procession and Sung Mass with Children's Church.

5.00pm Penitential Service

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

THOSE IN NEED: HM The King, Anne, Janet Aves, Ted Bennett, Sylvia Braybrooke, Susan Cannell, Ron Carpenter, Julie Couldridge, Linda Courquin, Beatrice Dadson, Sandra Donohue, Stuart Esk, Jan Good, Antonia Gowers, Elaine Greasley, Alison Hadfield, Mary Huggins, Catherine Jones, Ralph Jones, Marie Kerrigan, Nadeen Majid, Elsie Neill, Nelly Oakeshott, Lee Ramsey, Lyn Ramsey, Scott Ramsey, Shannon Sheridan, David Snider, Rosemary Spear, Michael Turner, Joan Turpin, Elaine Warner & family, Ann-Louise Whittaker, Laila Williams.

THE DEPARTED: Teresa Sampson, Sivarajah Ratnarajah, Leah McClean, Fr Anthony Symondson.

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