

# LOOKING AHEAD

**Daily Office (short 15-minute prayer service) Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 8.00am and 5.30pm Please note: Until the end of March there will be no Morning Prayer service on Tuesdays and Evening Prayer on Tuesday will be at 5pm.**

Sun 26 February 2017 10 am	Mass for the Sunday before Lent
Tues 28 March 2017	Deadline for reports for APCM
Wed 1 March 2017 7pm	Mass for Ash Wednesday
Sat 4 March 2017 7pm	Quiz Night (fundraiser for Youth Group)
Sun 5 March 2017 10am	Mass for the 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent ( <i>Lent Talk by Mary S</i> )
Sun 5 March 2017 7pm	Young People's Service
Sun 12 March 2017 10am	Mass for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent ( <i>Lent talk by Beata</i> )
Wed 15 March 2017 6.45pm	PCC Meeting (Church Hall) ( <i>last before APCM</i> )
Sat 18 March 2017 10am	Pilgrimage to West Malling Priory
Sun 19 March 2017 10am	Mass for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent ( <i>Lent talk by Arthur</i> )
Sat 25 March 2017 9am	Bishops Youth Focus Day
Sun 26 March 2017 10am	Mass for Mothering Sunday ( <i>Sunday School Presentation</i> )
Wed 29 March 2017 10am	School Easter Service (in church)
Sun 2 April 2017 10am	Mass for Passion Sunday
Sun 9 April 2017 10am	Mass for Palm Sunday

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**Next Sunday: 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**First Sunday of Lent**

**Hymns: 188 226 27 148(m)**

**Genesis 2:15-17; 3:107 Mary Mc Romans 5:12-19 Mary S**

**Psalm 32 Gospel Matthew 4:1-11**

**Intercessions: Isabel Chalice: Iyabode**

**Sides people: Mary S/Helen**



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✠ **THE PARISH OF  
ST. PAUL WITH ST. LUKE** ✠  
**BOW COMMON**



**Sunday: 26<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

**Sunday next before Lent**

**Hymns: 519 186 442 186(m)**

**Exodus 24:12-end: Safia 2 Peter 1:16-21: Joanna**

**Psalm 2 Gospel Matthew 17:1-9**

**Intercessions: Arthur Chalice: Toni**

**Sides people: Hendrika & Andie/Kayla**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Edmond Brien, William Jarvis, Naomi Harris, Esther Christian, ,  
Margaret Diss, John Christian, Rachel Christian, Isobel Coates,  
Ray Williams, Charlie Berry, Dawn Smith, Sharni Josephine,  
Nojahan Hamid, Mark Emmerson, Jane Keefe, Audrey Mameni,  
Blesie Smith, Iyabode Kadhiri, John McLean, Pat Padmore, Baby Jack,  
Kenneth Lambert

For our link church of **Santa Monica, Maputo** in Mozambique

**February Year's Mind:** Ralph Beyer, Rose Finn-Kelcey,  
Arthur John McKenzie

**Today we celebrate the Sunday next before Lent** - the last Sunday before we begin our journey through Lent towards Good Friday and Easter.

**Next week, the First Sunday in Lent**, we continue our tradition of having members of the congregation share something of their faith journey. Next Sunday we welcome Mary Straw as our speaker.

## **Introducing our new ALMA Rep**

*Hello, Everyone! My name is Jennea and I am your new ALMA. I'm excited about this role because I lived in Mozambique for two and a half years between 2012 and 2014 when I was a volunteer with the United States Peace Corps Volunteers.*

*I lived in Mocuba, in the province of Zambezia, and I was a secondary school chemistry teacher. In addition to teaching, I had many other secondary projects such as leading youth groups, teaching English and creating two community libraries with the help of local church organisations.*

*I'm excited to share what I know of Mozambique with you and to strengthen our relationship with Saint Monica's church in Maputo, Mozambique.*

*This year you can look forward to:*

- *The Sunday School learning about Mozambican mums and the rest of the family*
- *A Poverty Lunch for Sta. Monica's*
- *Lent Pots – donations to St Monica*
- *An Alma Cultural Event*
- *An engaging presentation about Mozambique and experiences on ALMA Sunday*
- *Conversations with the Youth Group to share ideas*

*Please feel free to come talk to me if you have any questions, would like to know more about Mozambique or would just like to have a chat.*



**This week join us for Prayers around the Cross on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 6.30pm.** See the leaflet for details of all our Lent Activities.



## **An important date for your Diary:**

This year three of our beloved sisters celebrate their **90<sup>th</sup> birthday** so we are holding a special party in the vicarage garden (weather permitting) on **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2pm-5pm** to celebrate with

them, their friends and their family this very special birthday.

**All members of the congregation**, past and present are very **welcome**.

## **APCM – Sunday 30 April 2017 after the service**

**Reports, Reports, Reports!** Just a gentle reminder that we have arrived at that time of the year where we begin to prepare for our APCM. I will need the following reports: Church Wardens, PCC Secretary, Fabric, SPBC, Finance/Accounts, Sunday School, Deanery Synod, Tuesday Sale (do let me know if I have missed anyone out) by **Tuesday 28 February 2017 at the very latest**.



## **Quiz Night Saturday 4 March at 7pm.**

Our young people are holding a fundraising quiz on this night. As well as the quiz, there will be food and refreshments available. Previous quiz nights have been very enjoyable.

If you're a regular, then the young people look forward to your support again. If you haven't been before then do come along and support this event.



## **Lent Pilgrimage to West Malling Abbey: Saturday 18 March 2017.**

Departing at 10am and returning around 3pm.

Safia and I visited on Thursday and were touched by the peace and spirituality of the space.

It's located in a lovely village with the usual range of coffee houses, eateries and shops. All I can say is 'we are all in for a treat!'

If you are interested, please **let Mthr. Bernadette know 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017**.