## 13 September 2020: Time Week 24

The Parish of East Preston with Kingston

## St Mary the Virgin NOTICE SHEET





Service patterns are now back to normal (Thursdays 10am; Sundays 8am & 10am). Morning Prayer will be said in Church at 8:45am Tuesday-Friday.

Today Sunday 13 September at 3pm, there will be a special service for children & their families 'Blessing of the **Backpacks'**. Bring your backpack, bookbag, PE bag, lunch bag, school bag ...

It is compulsory to wear a face covering in church.

DIARY DATE: The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be at 12noon on Sun 18 October here in St Mary's church. There are EIGHT vacancies to be filled on the PCC! Also the Electoral Roll is being revised - so now is a great time to join if you haven't already! See Brian Cooke (or one of the clergy) for details.

Rev Emma's ordination to the priesthood has been re-scheduled in the light of the on going COVID-19 restrictions. She will now be ordained here at St Mary's in the middle of October. Sadly numbers have to be limited to 25 guests, so this won't be an open invitation. Rev Emma will celebrate the Eucharist for the first time on Monday 12 October at 7pm - more details to follow!

We're going to celebrate **Harvest Festival** on **27 September**, and as in previous years we're collecting for the Littlehampton Food bank and Turning Tides homeless project in Worthing, so any donations given from now on will be heading to these projects rather than FSW.

If you would like to make a donation towards flowers for Harvest Festival, please contact Jenny Bromfield (772247) Many thanks.

Martin completed the ride round the Isle of Wight last Saturday and wishes to thank all those who have wished him luck, prayed for him and donated to the Prostate Charity. So far donations have reached £775 and it is not too late to contribute. If you want to please email Martin at martinguaife@hotmail.com

Thanks to all who came along to the **Church** Cleaning Party Sat 5 September! The next 'party' will be on **Sat 3 October**. The Rules are simple: we start at 10am, we finish at 11am - but sadly under current restrictions we'll have to eat our own donuts and drink our own coffee! All welcome - further details from Claire Hind.

## Please remember in your prayers those in special need especially:

Gordon; Ron; Vivienne; Janet; Anne Langley; Brenda Jones; June Kirkham; Mavis Cooke; Sue Ralph; Lucy Parkes; Laura

We remember those who've died recently: Vivienne; Nigel Gane; Gill Mauderne

and those whose anniversary falls this coming week: Gerald Penny; Ernest Uren; Malcolm Davey; Ralph Bury; Philip Turnbull; Sister Mary of the Cross; Norman Brown; Rosemary Burrow; Alfred & William Drury; Kathleen Crane; Terri Moore; Gary Ayling; Iain Thornton; Nancy Fitkin.

Fr Andrew is on annual leave from 1-19 September -Rev Emma is in charge, and Fr Richard is very kindly celebrating!

**Next Sunday's readings** (20 September: Trinity 15, Proper 20, Track 2 OT week 25): Jonah 3.10-4.end; Philippians 1.21-end; Matthew 20. 1-16