

Friends of St John's Milford - Easter Newsletter

A message from Revd Clive Potter:

First of all is my thanks to you for your support and valued friendship.

This past year has been a very tough and strange time. On a personal level it had been really challenging. We have had to change and be creative due to the Covid problem. On a national level the church has reacted in many different ways to respond to the people we serve.

In all we all have been witness to the amazing work of the NHS and the brilliant neighbourhood schemes from groups and individuals that has shown to be lights in dark times.

We sadly missed Easter celebrations in church last year but this year we are planning to have this important season celebrated in public worship.

Recently our church has benefited from the introduction of electric doors at the entrance and new lighting in church.

The gardens are looking good and there is a new fence along the boundary adjacent to the path by the jubilee field

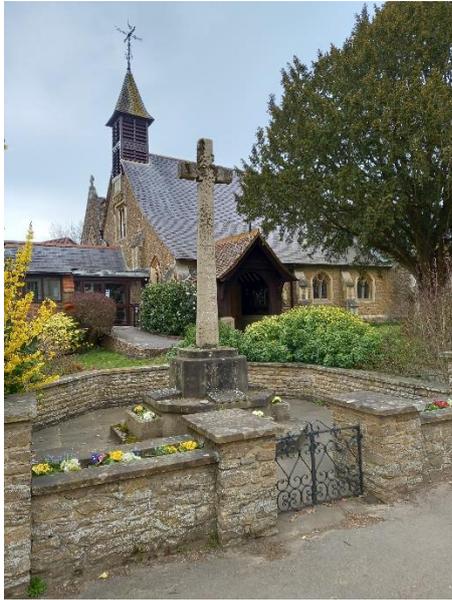
This all has been made possible with the support of many friends and church members who indeed can make a difference even in testing times. Friends like you are highly valued.

Bless you all for a wonderful Easter and enjoyable summer.

Clive

As you will probably appreciate we are delighted that the church can reopen just in time for the glorious season of Easter. Our services will run in church and be on Zoom at the same time. We are asking people to book in for our Easter Day service as we are restricted to 30 people in church at any one time. Please look on our website for more details. Over the Easter period the church will be decorated with lilies given in memory of loved ones.

The churchyard is looking particularly beautiful with all the signs of Spring showing through.



We are very pleased to let you know that the replacement doors are now fitted in the entrance to the Church Centre. As you can see by the photos the door leading in from the front entrance is automatic which should make entry easier for everyone. New doors are also in place from the church centre lobby to the Garden of Remembrance. Wheelchair access to the garden is from the path beside the church where there is a gate in the new fencing.



As is so often the way when you move furniture and fittings from an area it adds another expense to the job. In this case the carpet is very discoloured as you can see so new floor coverings are being explored with the help of local contractors.



We are waiting for warmer weather before embarking on the replacing the church boiler.

If any of you would like to contribute towards the Easter lilies in memory of someone special or towards the cost of the new flooring please get in touch with our Treasurer:

Nicholas O'Brien, Hawthorn Cottage, Moushill Lane, Milford, Godalming, Surrey, GU8 5BH. Cheques should be made out to "St Johns Milford PCC"

For payments to our bank, the bank details are:

Bank: NatWest, 77 High St, Godalming

Account Name: St Johns Milford, Parochial Church Council General Fund

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