

# ST. MARY OF NAZARETH/ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI – WEST WICKHAM

7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

## Services over the next two weeks

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	8am Holy Communion service at St. Francis 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's 3.00 p.m. Healing Service at St. Mary's
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	3.45 p.m. Messy Church at St. Mary's
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion service at St. Mary's 9.15 a.m. Morning Praise at St. Mary's 10.45 a.m. Morning Worship at St. Francis

*Services are livestreamed on YouTube during the main services, weekly at St Mary's and whenever possible at St Francis.*

## Weekly services/Prayers

Tuesday at 10am	Pray for growth of the church held at 130 The Avenue Contact Jean Pogose ( <a href="mailto:dennis.pogose@ntlworld.com">dennis.pogose@ntlworld.com</a> or 8289-5996) for more information.
Wednesday at 9:30am	Morning Prayer at St Francis
Wednesday at 10:30am	St Francis' open for <b>private prayer</b> till 11:30am
Thursday at 9am	Morning prayer at St Mary's

## Upcoming Events

On **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 7.30 p.m.** at St. Francis Church West Wickham Choir (along with a children's group from Valley Primary School) will be performing A Grain of Mustard Seed by Roger Jones and some choral work by Karl Jenkins and Sir John Rutter. Admission is free and there will be a charity collection. Refreshments available at the end of the concert. Do advertise among your friends and neighbours and come along and support this event. Leaflets are available to hand out.

On **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July** we have our next lunchtime concert at St. Francis featuring a flute and a piano. Local flautist and teacher Amanda Butler and accompanist, Peter Sargent, will be playing both duets and solo pieces for us. Concert commences at 12.45pm with coffee and tea available beforehand. As usual, the concert is free with a retiring collection towards expenses. Do come along and bring a friend to enjoy a happy hour of relaxing and entertaining music.

## Notices

**Please pray** for the following people associated with our community:

Vicky Pearce, Jane Smith, Rowena Griffiths, Daphne Dack, John Dack, Sue Jones, Barry Burford, Pam Tabner, Barbara Goodchild, Mark Christy, Joan Mountain, Ken Colpus and Marcia Chandler. Also remember the family of Michael Farrant, a long-time member of St. Francis who has died recently.

**Please note** that articles for the next edition of the magazine for **St. Marys** must be in to Gifty or Beryl (if typing is required) by **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** due to holiday commitments.

Please send through any information you would like added in the next bi-monthly edition of the **St. Francis** magazine (Aug-Sept) by **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** to Nicky Nightingale - [nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk) .

**Ukraine: Hope Church** where we send equipment has asked us to pause for the time being as their vans are being stopped at the Polish border.

We will continue to collect items for the **Bromley Homeless Starter Pack Scheme** for those starting out in a new home with nothing. Starter Packs for families in need include cutlery, crockery, duvet covers (not duvets) pillow cases, tea towels, saucepans, frying pans, bath towels, toothbrushes etc. Please continue to bring these items to St. Francis.

**Foodbank donations** to St. Mary's or St Francis' Church. Items needed: tinned vegetables (including tomatoes and potatoes) hot and cold meat tins, cooking sauces, UHT milk, squash, UHT fruit juice and jam. *They have plenty of pasta, cereal, tea and biscuits.* You can also donate financially here:

<https://bromleyborough.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money>. Thank you for your continuing support.

**Flowers:** If anyone would like a pedestal at either church in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special anniversary etc., please contact Merri Womack (8777 8772) for St Mary's (or there is a list to sign in the vestibule at St. Mary's) or Nicky Nightingale ([nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk) or 8916 9855) for St Francis'.

Items for pew sheet to Beryl [berylbolton@hotmail.com](mailto:berylbolton@hotmail.com) **Deadline is Thursday MIDDAY**

Items for St Mary's website to Gifty [office@stmarywestwickham.co.uk](mailto:office@stmarywestwickham.co.uk)

Items for St Francis' website to Bo [bolaptop1@outlook.com](mailto:bolaptop1@outlook.com)

## July 7<sup>th</sup> 2024: 6th Sunday after Trinity

### Collect

Creator God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### First Reading: 2 Corinthians 12.2-10

<sup>2</sup> I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup> And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— <sup>4</sup> was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup> On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup> But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup> even considering the exceptional character of the revelations.

Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated<sup>1</sup> <sup>8</sup> Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup> but he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.’ So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

## **Gospel: Mark 6.1-13**

6 He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup> On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup> Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. <sup>4</sup> Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' <sup>5</sup> And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup> And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup> He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup> If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' <sup>12</sup> So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup> They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

### **Post Communion**

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.