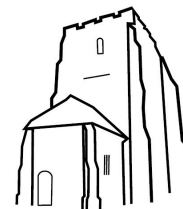


Welcome to St Mary's, Westham

Sunday 12th January 2025



Sunday Services:

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Holy Communion

Welcome to all, yet an extra special welcome if this is your first time with us. Do 'like' our Facebook page—it's a good way of keeping in contact. Refreshments are served following our 9.45am service.

Information & Future Dates

- Readings for this Sunday morning: Isaiah 43:1-7 and Luke 3:15-17; 21-22.
- Next 'Praying for Growth,' Tuesday 21st January, 7.30pm in Church.
- Foodbank: Bankthefood app tells you the top 10 needs of local foodbank: UHT milk, tinned hot meats, tinned fruit, pasta sauce, custard, deodorants and shampoo.
- Thank you for your financial gifts, we wouldn't be here without them! Gifts can be left in 'the bowl,' by using the card-reader near the Welcome Table or via standing order. Do 'Gift-aid' if you can.
- To help those who'd like to donate to the flowers, not just for Christmas but throughout the year, perhaps for a special anniversary, there are now special envelopes for donations to be placed in (speak to Jane B for more info).
- The diary on the website shows how the church is being used more extensively—please do make sure dates are placed in the diary to prevent double-bookings. Agree bookings with either David, Jon or Sue.
- At the start of a new year, is there something in parish life that you either need to lay down or take up? We are developing the team who operate the AV system on a Sunday morning (thanks to who have volunteered already). We also need a few more on the refreshment team (a great way to get to know people!) as well as reading and leading intercessions. All help very gratefully received!
- Every six years all Anglican churches have to start their official membership list, its Electoral Roll, from scratch. This happens at least two months before the Annual Parochial Church Meeting which will be on April 8th, 7.30pm—those on the Electoral Roll can then vote at that meeting. We will begin this over the next few weeks. The Electoral Roll is open to those who have been baptised, are over sixteen, resident in the parish or who have habitually attended public worship in the previous six months. As it gives an insight into the health of a church community, our Parochial Church Council hopes that as many as possible will want to add their names to this list.

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