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SUNDAY 21 JULY (TRINITY 5)

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am Sung Eucharist 12.30pm Holy Baptism 4.00pm Messy Church

6.00pm Evening Prayer

MONDAY (ST MARY MAGDALENE) TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer

THURSDAY 25 JULY (ST JAMES, APOSTLE)

8.30am Informal Morning Prayer 12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona)

SUNDAY 28 JULY (TRINITY 6)

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am Sung Eucharist 6.00pm Evening Prayer

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.





CROYDON EPISCOPAL AREA

ARCHDEACONRY OF REIGATE

THE FIRST READING Colossians 1: 15 to 28

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him - provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 10: 38 to 42

Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

HYMNS AT 10.00AM

Processional: Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

Gradual: Blest are the pure in heart

Offertory: Let us build a house Post Communion: Lord of all hopefulness

Setting: Richard Shephard

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need: Sharon Willans, Geraldine Wright, Phanos Antoniou, Sheila Reed,

For those living in Hartington Close

For Redhill Vineyard Church

RIP: Pat Bracey

For anniversaries falling at this time:

Phyllis Jeffries, Melville Lewis (Priest), Ethel Carter, Emmie Saunders, Jessie Gilbert, John Marsh

THE BRIDGE

The latest edition of our diocesan newspaper is now available at the back of the church. Please take a copy with you as you leave this morning.

REFRESHING CHURCH

On Saturday 14 September from 10.00am to 4.00pm, the Croydon Area Lay Conference will be taking place at St Bede's School. The principal speaker is Paula Gooder, Canon Chancellor of St Paul's Cathedral (the first woman and first lay person to hold this role). There will also be a choice of 20 workshops on aspects of lav involvement in church and society, designed to give a refreshed spring in the step of everyone, young or old, who goes to church. conference is open to everyone and the cost is £10 per person (including lunch!). Please see the leaflet for more details. Please book your place online at: https://refreshing-church.eventbrite.co.uk or with Alexia in the parish office.

CONFIRMATION AND COMMUNION

If you are interested in being Confirmed (adults or young people already at High School) please speak to me so that we can arrange classes. The Confirmation Service will be held at St Mark's on **Saturday** 16 November.

Children aged 7 or older can receive Holy Communion provided they have followed a Preparation Course and been formally admitted. Please speak to me if your children wish to be admitted so that we can arrange some classes.

Fr Martin



CALLING ALL MUSIC-LOVERS!

Another SMOATathon is approaching fast. SMOATathon2019 will take place in St Mark's Church on **Sunday 29 September**, when the aim will be to provide live continuous music between 11.30am and 5.00pm and, through sponsorship and donations, to raise much-needed funds for a project to help relieve poverty in a developing country.

If you can sing or play a musical instrument and would like to take part the SMOAT committee would love to hear from you! Time-slots of varying length are available, from a few minutes upwards. If you don't see yourself as a performer, then come along anyway and enjoy the music (and refreshments!) for as long as you wish.

David Lear (<u>david@smoat.org.uk</u>) will be pleased to provide further details.

CHURCH HALL TABLES

We will be replacing the square blue tables in the Hall with new tables of a similar design and size. The new tables cost £48 each. If you would like to make towards the cost donation purchasing the tables, please pass on vour donation to the churchwardens or the Parish Office marked as "Donation towards tables". If you are a tax payer donation can be gift aided. Donations can be made by cash, cheque, or in person by card. More information is available from the churchwardens and the Parish Office. This is a continued part of our upgrading of the hall facilities which will include floor repairs and redecoration in the near future.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our box-opening Coffee Morning on 29 June. The proceeds from the stalls raised £511.05, from the boxes £463.66 and together with donations of £190 we were able to send £1,344.71 to the Society. This made everybody's efforts well worthwhile in support of the charity, which we at St Mark's have been supporting for many years. If anyone would like a collection box please let us know.

Tony & Patricia Bird 01737 247941

NEW GOVERNOR NEEDED AT ST BEDE'S SCHOOL

St Bede's School is judged as Outstanding by Ofsted and also as Outstanding by the independent Diocesan Anglican school inspectors – for the excellent Christian education it provides for young people within our Deanery.

The school has a wonderful mission statement – that it "tries to appreciate the skills and talents of each child, to realise their full potential, and help them to face the future with confidence by taking up the challenge of the gospel."

The Deanery is now seeking an Anglican to join St Bede's friendly and effective team of governors. The governors approve the strategy of the school, hold staff to account and encourage them.

They are looking for an open-minded team player, who can make two short meetings a term and values a Christian school for our young people.

If you would be interested in taking on this role, or finding out more, please get in touch with Victoria Clifford (Chair of Governors):gov.clifford@saintbedes.net.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27 Jul 8.00pm Social Dance 1 Aug 2.00pm SMART

Pease send any notices for the News Sheet to Terrence Hancock © 01737 761178 or by email to t.f.hancock@btinternet.com at the latest by 8.00am on Thursday