

St Peter's Church, Wrecclesham
Weekly Newsletter
7 May 2017

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8am – Holy Communion (BCP)

10am – Family Communion (CW)
Hymns: 6 – 726 – 629 – 381 – 54
Intercessions: Claire Philipps

6pm – 'Breathing Space' -
a reflective Evening Service

The readings are:
Acts 2.42-47
1 Peter 2.19-25
John 10.1-10

This morning we welcome, and thank, **Canon David Holt, who will be leading our 8am service and Ian Levett from Christian Aid, who will be the speaker at our 10am service.**

If you're planning to go to Anne's Installation as Archdeacon of Wells on Saturday 20 May please remember to allow plenty of time for your journey in case you encounter traffic jams on the A303 near Stonehenge. Also, Wells has very limited easy parking.

Although tickets are not required for this occasion, if you would like to be present please RSVP to Debbie Jones in the Cathedral office no later than tomorrow Monday 8 May, indicating your intention to attend, for catering purposes.

The congregation are **to be seated by 2.40pm** as the processions will begin at 2.50pm. RSVP by post to Wells Cathedral Office, Chain Gate, Cathedral Green, Wells BA5 2UE or administratorsec@wellscathedral.uk.
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Christian Aid Week 2017
is from 14 to 20 May

Materials for collectors are now available in names Christian Aid bags at the back of the Church. For more information please contact Jack Crawford (tel. 716363).

This year's joint service for Christian Aid Week is at St. James', Rowledge, at 4 pm on Sunday 14 May.

This morning you can buy raffle tickets in aid of Christian Aid for a specially commissioned painting by local artist Sue Williams. It shows a scene of a heron on the Coxbridge water meadows.

CHURCH WEBSITE

If you have any pictures and/or details of Parish events that you feel would be interesting to put up on the church website please email them to Vanda Bolton
vanda@cofewrecclesham.org.uk.

Thank you to everyone who helped at the Duck Race on Gostrey Meadow last Saturday.

Our hoopla stall raised £202 for church funds.

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER
Please make every effort to come to the 10am service on 11 June when there will be a presentation providing an update on our parish vision.

The Wrecclesham History Project will meet next Saturday 13 May in the Leverton Hall - Knight's Almshouses.

BOOK GROUP

Some interest has been expressed in starting a book group, which we hope will meet once a term.

The first book we will read and talk about will be 'The Children Act' by Ian McEwan. This is a relatively short book, but raises some interesting questions. The first meeting will be on Thursday 22 June in the evening (time and venue tba). If you are interested, or would like more information, please speak to Lizzy Hendry, Liz Ambrose or Kate Mapes.

You are all invited to the licensing of Revd Rachel Sturt to the Parish of the Resurrection, and as Anna Chaplain for Alton, on Sunday 21 May at 6.30pm at St Lawrence Church, Alton.

The service will be conducted by the Rt Revd David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke.

Summer Concert at St Thomas-on-The Bourne - 6-7pm on Saturday 3 June

Andrew Harrap, the Organ Scholar, will play piano works and a Quartet from the Girls' Choir will perform a variety of 2 and 3 part sacred and secular songs by Fauré, Mendelssohn, Sullivan, Elgar, Novello and others. Free entry, with retiring collection for church and choir funds. Light refreshments will be provided afterwards.

Roz Forsyth is raising Minibel tomato plants in 20cm pots, so please speak to her before you buy yours from anywhere else! Phone 792221.

Are you interested in joining a group to travel to the Oberammergau Passion Play in 2020? If so, please have a look at the poster on the noticeboard in the Leverton Hall.

Over the next few weeks we are offering you weekly reflections to help focus your prayers on specific aspects of our church life and how the church relates to the wider community.

These are taken from the Diocese 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives' initiative and are particularly relevant for us at this time. If you have not already received this week's reflections then do pick them up from the table by the door.

Because we're having difficulty finding anyone to lead our 8am service on Sunday 21 May, the Archdeacon of Surrey has given us permission to hold just one service – a Family Communion service – at 10am on that date. So please make a note in your diary that there will be no 8am service that morning.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 25 May – Ascension Day –
10.30am – Holy Communion.
12.30pm – Men's Lunch at the Royal Oak.

A reminder that these notes, updated weekly, plus lots more general information about the church, can all be found on the church website at www.cofewrecclesham.org.uk.

In addition the church now has a Twitter account: @stpeters1840. Do 'follow' this if you're a Twitter user and encourage your friends and neighbours to do so as well.

The deadline for the newsletter this week is Thursday at 6pm please, to Sue Davies. Phone 793888 or email susan@cofewrecclesham.org.uk