

Battle of Hastings Commemorative Service – Friday 14th October

There will be a special service at 3.30pm to commemorate the 950th Anniversary of the Battle of Hastings. The Bishop of Chichester will speak. Entry will be by ticket only and available from Tracy Dixon.

Telham Bible Study/Discussion Group – Thursday 27th October

At the moment we are looking at the minor Prophets and last time had a really interesting meeting regarding Jonah. This theme continues on Thursday, 27th October at 3pm by kind invitation of Tom Long at his house “Virginia”, Whatlington Road, Battle. This time we will be looking at Micah. Do come along!

Christmas Tree Festival Music Concert – Saturday 26th November

Please make a note of the date in your diary for this very special concert which will run from 7.30pm to 9pm and which will be fund raising for **St Michael’s Hospice and The Barnabas Fund for the relief of Christian refugees in Syria and Iraq**. Tickets will be available shortly from CTF members at £2 each, yes that right £2 each! However if you are able to give more, a donations plate will be available on the night! Please support this event by coming along or perhaps give a donation if you are unable to attend? Thank you!

Pickles and Jams

We are having a stall at the **Christmas Tree Festival on 26th & 27th November** and need some more homemade jars of jam or chutney for the stall. If you are able to donate any please contact Tracy Dixon. Many thanks for your support!

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to all the ladies of St Mary’s Flower Guild for decorating the Church so beautifully over this Harvest weekend, it looks truly splendid.

Information for pew sheets to pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk (or by phone 774201) no later than **9pm Wednesday** evenings.

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BATTLE and
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TELHAM

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity 2nd October 2016
Welcome to all – especially visitors and newcomers

PARISH PRAYER FOR 2016

Dear Heavenly Father, please grow Your kingdom here in our parish. Fill our worship with Your living presence and help us to experience You touching and transforming our lives. Help us to know You better and give us the confidence to trust You more. Help us to work with You in drawing people into this church, and to welcome them when they come. Especially we pray that new families and children may find the love of Jesus here, and the joy of knowing Him as their Saviour and Lord. Amen

COLLECTS OF THE DAY

O God, for as much as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

OR

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

READINGS AND HYMNS FOR TODAY

8.00am Holy Communion St Mary's

The Dean

10.00am Baptism, Confirmation and Harvest at St Mary's

We welcome today The Rt Revd Dr. Martin Warner, Bishop of Chichester together with all the candidates for Baptism and Confirmation

See separate order of service

Following this service there will be a bring and share Harvest lunch in the Benedicta Whistler Centre.

6.00pm Harvest Evensong

The Dean

**Readings: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 (p. 203)
2 Corinthians 9: 6-15 (p.1163)**

Hymns: 261, 262, 285 & 259 (New English Hymnal)

Temporary closure of Church of the Ascension, Telham

Due to the re-plastering and redecoration works, the Church will be temporarily closed from **Monday 5 September to Sunday 16 October** inclusive.

Every Thursday 10.30 am St. Mary's

Midweek Communion in the Lady Chapel followed by Coffee and Fellowship in the Benedicta Whistler Centre. All welcome.

Services next Sunday 9th October 2016

8.00am Holy Communion

St. Mary's

9.30am Parish Communion*

St. Mary's

11.00am Modern Service

St. Mary's

4.00pm Healing Service

St. Mary's

**There will be a Christian Aid breakfast following this service in the Benedicta Whistler Centre. Everyone welcome to attend.*

Prayer List:

Please pray for: All on our list, together with those in nursing homes who are no longer able to attend church, those known to us personally and those known only to our Lord Jesus Christ. If you would like to add a name to the weekly prayer list, please contact Alison Hassell.

Food Bank

All supplies of food from the south porch are being taken down to the cellar in preparation for the big celebration service on October 14th. Please could you suspend food donations until we insert a notice in this pewsheet. Many thanks.

Mothers Union – Thursday 6th October

Members and friends meet at 10.30am for MU Communion or 11.30am for the start of our meeting, with refreshments. Visitors are always very welcome to join us and stay for lunch, we usually finish around 2pm.

Friday Fellowship – 7th October

We will next meet at Elaine's home at 7.30pm, 9 Langton Close, Battle. *Norman Nuthall or Alison Hassell*

Healing Service – 9th October

There will be a Healing Service next Sunday afternoon, at 4.00pm in the Lady Chapel. Everyone is warmly invited to join us for this service.

Love in a Box – Christmas shoebox collection

This year we shall again be supporting 'Love in a Box' - the annual Christmas project operated by Mustard Seed Relief Mission (www.msrm.org.uk). There are leaflets at the back of church explaining how to put together a shoebox of small gifts for an individual child, with suggestions of suitable items for children of different ages. Shoeboxes must be completed by the beginning of November. *(Please supply your own empty shoebox. The local shoe shops are usually very cooperative and will let you have one if you ask them.)*

Prayer Canopy - Thursday 13th October 12-2pm The Cinque Ports Prayer Canopy group will be praying in St Mary' on Thursday 13th October from 12-2pm. This inter-church prayer group pray for God's purposes in the UK and the monarchy and wished to pray in Battle in such an historic week.. All are welcome to join.