

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – 20th April

This meeting will take place in the Benedicata Whistler Centre on **Wednesday 20th April 2016** commencing at **7.30pm**. If you are on the Electoral Roll then this is **YOUR** chance to attend this important annual meeting. If you would like to go on the Electoral Roll please see the Dean or Helen Ormrod for further details.

Flower Guild Leader - WANTED

After the Easter Festival I will no longer be the flower guild leader. The five years since I took over has just flown by, but now we really do need someone new to head up the team. Help and support will be given by the ladies of the guild if you would like it and I will remain as treasurer if it helps. So please think about this very worthwhile position as part of the worshipping family in St. Mary's. *Tina Staton.*

Monthly Parish Magazine Article

We are publishing a series of theological articles in our monthly Parish Magazine about real life questions. This month's article is on "How to get to heaven". Why not buy an extra copy to pass on to other family members, your friends or neighbours a way of sharing the Good News and also keep them informed about what goes on in and around our churches.

St Mary's Nursery

We are again collecting the **Sainsbury's Active Kids** vouchers. They look a bit different this year and will be printed with your receipt and other vouchers. When asked if you are collecting, please say YES and start saving. The offer runs for another month. Last year we were able to claim some great soft play equipment, worth around £200, so every voucher counts! Thank you.

Food Bank

This week we would be particularly grateful to receive bottles of squash, dried milk, UHT milk, and dried potato. Many thanks.

Pew Sheet items

Please send any information for the pew sheets by email: pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk no later than **9pm** on **Wednesday** evenings. Many thanks.

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BATTLE and CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TELHAM Third Sunday of Easter – 10th April 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

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Post Communion

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

