

Dates for your Diaries - Lent Lunches

These will be held on **Wednesdays from 12 noon to 2 pm.** as follows:

21st February at the Emmanuel Centre, (Methodist Church)

28th February in the Roman Catholic Room (Roman Catholic Church)

7th March at the Manna House (Baptist Church)

14th March at the Benedicta Whistler Centre (St Mary's)

Each Church will decide on the charity it will support with the proceeds.

Lent Taize Evening – 27th February

Please come to this service if you can, it will be held in the Roman Catholic Church starting at **7pm.** Everyone welcome.

REFRESHMENTS

Jill Edmondson would be pleased to hear from anyone who would be willing to join the rota for serving refreshments between the Sunday services, especially during the summer holiday times when the usual providers are away.

Food Bank

We have distributed a lot of food this week via Battle Children's Centre and would be happy to receive anything from our "shopping list". If buying cereals, we would prefer 500g packets if possible.

Thank you. Shelagh & Helen

Drivers needed urgently !

In view of increased numbers of non-drivers, we urgently need more volunteers to give lifts to St Mary's for the 9.30 am service on Sundays. If you think you might be able to help regularly once or twice a month, or just occasionally when others are away, do please contact me: David Ormrod

PEW SHEETS

If you have anything you would like included in next week's pew sheet please e-mail pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk

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

Sunday before Lent 11th February 2018

A very warm welcome to everyone, visitors and newcomers

OUR PARISH PRAYER

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

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

AMEN

POST COMMUNION

O holy God, we behold thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ: grant that we who are partakers at his table may reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; 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

HYMNS, READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR TODAY

If you are a tax payer and are able to put your collection in a yellow envelope our church treasurer will be pleased to claim your tax back for church funds.

9.30am Parish Communion – St Mary's

The Dean

Hymns Songs of fellowship 456; 445; 77; 153; 551

2 Peter 1: 16-end (p.1222) Peter describes his having heard the voice of God

Mark 9: 2-9 (p1012) The Transfiguration

Refreshments served from 10.30 am in the Benedicta Whistler centre

11.00am Modern Service St Mary's

The Dean

You are welcome to join us for this relaxed and less formal time of worship for all ages. Most of the words for this service, including Bible readings and songs, will be displayed on the screen.

10.00am Holy Communion -Telham

Rev Iain Morrison

Readings: Exodus 24 v 12-18
2 Corinthians 3 v12-18

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 on 774737 or email: alihassell@hotmail.com

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2018

1ST Sunday in Lent

8.00 am Holy Communion BCP

St. Mary's

9.30am Parish Communion

St. Mary's

10.00 am Holy Communion BCP

Telham

11.00am Modern Service

St. Mary's

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

St. Mary's

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

The Year of Prayer

As a part of the Global 24/7 Prayer initiative during 2017/2018 members of St Mary's Church will be praying for the people, businesses and community throughout the town. The aim is to cover the whole town in Prayer between the start of Advent in 2017 to the start of Advent in 2018. You are invited to join us as we pray for this week,

11th February Claverham Close and Claverham way

MONDAY 12th February - FRIDAY 16th February 8.00 – 8.25AM.

EARLY MORNING PRAYER in the St Catherine's Chapel. Come and join this very friendly group for Bible readings, prayers and fellowship.

THERE ARE NO BUSY BEE (PARENT & TODDLERS) MEETINGS THIS WEEK AS IT IS HALF TERM

WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 19.30

Ash Wednesday Communion Service

THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 10.30

MIDWEEK COMMUNION in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's_

Everyone is warmly invited to share communion with this small friendly congregation in the Lady Chapel followed by coffee and fellowship in the Benedicta Whistler centre.

THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY ALPHA- WHO IS JESUS ?

13.45 – 15.15 in the Benedicta Whistler Centre. If you are interested in joining us for this course, please speak to the Vikki Cook or register your interest at alpha@stmarysbattle.org.uk

SATURDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 4.00pm Bingo games afternoon in the Benedicta Whistler centre with Paul and Sam Middleton