

Food Bank

Another quiet week, so we would just like to repeat last week's requests: Tinned fruit, custard, steamed puddings, coffee, rice pudding and fish. We would also be grateful to receive shampoo, shower gel (just standard size bottles, please) and deodorants for men and women. Thank you. *Shelagh Franks and Helen Ormrod.*

St Mary's welcomes new Archdeacon of Hastings

The Ven. Dr. Edward Dowler will be our guest speaker at both our 9.30am and 11 o'clock services on **Sunday 2nd April**. Do come and meet our new archdeacon at this, his first Sunday visit to us. Refreshments will as usual be served between the services – so hopefully plenty of time to chat!

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – Wednesday 26th April

Please make a note in your diary of this important Church Meeting starting at **7.30pm** in the Benedicta Whistler Centre.

Revision of the Electoral Roll

The Electoral roll of the Parish is about to undergo revision, prior to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. If you believe you should already be on the roll, please check that your name is on the copy in the porch. If you would like your name to be added to the roll, please take an application form and return it to the Dean or to me. Please ask if there appear to be no forms remaining.

Helen Ormrod, Electoral Roll Officer.

Easter Cards

The re-cycled Easter Cards will be in the church shortly, please have a look and hopefully, buy! All proceeds to St Mary's Church. Thank you. *Sheila Gerken.*

Church Website(www.stmarysbattle.org.uk) If you have information to be entered or updated on the website, please forward to

webmaster@stmarysbattle.org.uk

Information for pew sheets to pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk no later than **9pm Wednesday evenings.**

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

Second Sunday of Lent 12th March 2017

Welcome to all – especially visitors and newcomers

Please take this pew sheet home with you!

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

COLLECTS OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

OR

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS AND HYMNS FOR TODAY AT ST. MARY'S

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion

The Dean

Readings: 2 Timothy 4: 1-5 (p.1197)
John 3: 1-17 (p.1065)

Hymns: 352, 44, 21, 51 and 42 (*Songs of Fellowship*)
(*After the service all are warmly invited for refreshments in BWC*)

11.00am Modern Service

The Dean

Join us for this relaxed and less formal time of worship for all ages.
All words for the service, including both Bible readings and songs,
will be displayed on the screen.

10.00am Matins, Telham

Mrs A Hassell

Readings: Romans 4 v 1-5, 13-17
John 3 v 1-17
Psalm: 121

Services next Sunday 19th March 2017

8.00am Holy Communion

St. Mary's

9.30am Parish Communion

St. Mary's

10.00am Holy Communion

Telham

11.00am Modern Service

St. Mary's

6.00pm Choral Evensong

St. Mary's

Every weekday morning at 8.00 am to 8.25am St Mary's

The early morning prayer group meet each weekday morning in the St Catherine Chapel. Everyone is welcome to join with us.

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.

Every Thursday 10.30 am St. Mary's

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

LENT LUNCHEES – 12 noon to 2pm

WEDNESDAY 15th March St Mary's Church

The Benedicta Whistler Centre at St Mary's Church

WEDNESDAY 22nd March The Roman Catholic Church, Church Parish room, Mount Street, Battle

WEDNESDAY 29th March Battle Baptist Church

In the Manna House, Mount Street, Battle

Donations received are distributed to charities nominated by each group

Lent Study Group – starting Wednesday 8th March to 12th April

There will be a weekly Lent Study Group on Wednesdays at **7.30pm** commencing on the **8th March until the 12th April**. This will replace the usual twice monthly Bible Study Class. All are welcome.