

### **Friday 10.30 - 11.00 am – Term time only**

**Sing & Sign at St Mary's** - a weekly fun singing & signing class, where you can learn some basic signs to help you communicate and interact with your baby. Ideal for babies aged 4 - 18 months.

We meet in the Benedicta Whistler Centre

### **Monday and Wednesday 9.30 – 11.30 am - Term Time only**

**Busy Bees** a group for Parents, Grandparents with their babies and toddlers through the gate next to the lower church hall.

### **Parish Magazine**

I have now handed over the editors role to a new editor, so please send any magazine items to [editor@stmarysbattle.org.uk](mailto:editor@stmarysbattle.org.uk) from now on. I have completed nearly 8 years and 87 magazines and am looking forward to reading it again! Thank you Tracy Dixon.

### **If you would like a lift to Church**

We have some volunteers who can provide a lift to any newcomer or to anyone who cannot get to Church by their usual means to any of our Sunday or other services or events.

If you think we might be able to help, please contact David Ormrod [dhormrod@btinternet.com](mailto:dhormrod@btinternet.com) 772473

### **Christmas Tree Festival 2016!**

Yes just over 6 months till the next Festival! So that we can give you plenty of time to start your planning preparations the theme for this year will be 'Christmas Songs'.

Many visitors in the past, have commented how much they enjoy coming to our Church to see this special event. Whilst local organisations and groups have taken the lead role in supplying and displaying trees and we are extremely thankful to them for their continued support, we would like to try to grow the event by encouraging families or individuals to get involved too. There is no age limit just some imagination. Voting for the best trees will be back by popular demand as well. If you want further details please contact Sue Blackman

### **Pew Sheet items**

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

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

## **Whit Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> May 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**

A God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

*Or*

A Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Post Communion**

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## READINGS AND HYMNS FOR TODAY

**8.00am Holy Communion** St Mary's The Dean

**9.30am Parish Communion** St Mary's The Dean

Readings: Acts 2: 1-21 (p.1093)

John 14: 8-17 (p. 1082)

Hymns: 1202, 40, 1577, 1433 and 1555 (*Songs of Fellowship*)

*After the service all are warmly invited for refreshments in the adjoining BWC*

**11.00am Modern Service** St Mary's 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 Holy Communion** Telham Rev. I. Morrison

Readings: Genesis 11 v 1-9

Psalms: 104 v 26-end

Acts 2 v 1-21

John 14 v 8-17

**6.00pm United Songs of Praise**

This service will be at the Emmanuel Centre in Harrier Lane, in which all 4 churches will participate. We hope as many of you as possible will come along to join in worship and enjoy fellowship with our fellow Christian brothers and sisters here in Battle. Everyone is welcome.

**Prayer List:** Please pray for:

All on our list, together with those in nursing homes who are not able to attend church, those known to us 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.

## Services next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2016

8.00am Holy Communion St. Mary's

9.30am Parish Communion St. Mary's

9.30am Holy Communion Church of the Ascension

11.00am Modern Service St. Mary's

### 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.

### Please support Christian Aid Week, 15-21 May 2016

Christian Aid envelopes are available at the back of church. If you wish to donate in this way, please place your filled envelope into the collection basket during one of the services or return it to Alison Hassell (774737). If you are a UK taxpayer, you can make your donation worth 25% more, at no extra cost to you. Simply tear off and fill in the Gift Aid form and place it inside the envelope with your donation.

Alternatively, donate online at [caweek.org](http://caweek.org), or by calling 08080 006 006, or send a cheque (made payable to Christian Aid) direct to **Freepost, Christian Aid**. Thank you for your support.

### Food Bank

We are very pleased to have a new manager, Sally Parry. Sally is from Ninfield and has been a volunteer at the Bexhill Branch.

We currently have a good stock of food, so we thought a list of items we **DON'T** need at present might be best.

“Hot” meat- we do not need hot dogs or tinned meat pies. Tins of mince or meat in sauce or gravy would be good.

Vegetables – we do not need peas or sweet corn, but some more carrots would be useful. Tinned pulses etc. eg kidney beans, lentils, butter beans, black-eye peas. We have an ample supply of these.

Thanks, as always, to our volunteers, to those who contribute food, and to those who bring it in from churches and supermarkets.

*Shelagh Franks, Helen Ormrod.*