

Easter Flowers

The Guild will be preparing the arrangements, which will include lilies, on **Saturday 31st March from 9am**. Will you kindly remember to let me have the names of any departed loved ones by 25th at the latest please if you wish them to be included on the Easter scroll which will be placed at the font. Donations in cash or by cheque (made payable to St Mary's Church flower guild) please. Thank you. Tina.

Crochet Group – 26th March

We will meet again in the BWC from **10am to 12** and **1pm to 3pm** as some cannot make the morning session. This group is open to all and if you wish to join us with any other craft you are more than welcome. For more information see Janet Heron.

Electoral Roll

Revision of the Electoral Roll of the parish ends on Monday (19th March.) If you wish your name to be added to the roll so that you are able to vote on church matters at the APCM on April 18th, please speak to me or to the Dean today! Helen Ormrod

Food Bank

We would be particularly grateful to receive: soup, tomatoes, cold meat, fish, rice pudding, steamed puddings, custard, squash, sugar, treats, jam and coffee. Stock of these items is very low. We will also soon be needing: cereals, baked beans, vegetables, pasta sauce, UHT milk, potatoes and dog food. We currently have plenty of: hot meat, fruit, biscuits, dry rice and pasta, tea, cat food and toiletries. Many thanks. Shelagh Franks, Helen Ormrod.

Annual Church Parochial Meeting – 18th April

The APCM will be held in the Benedicata Whistler Centre at **7.30pm**. All Church members welcome to attend.

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 & CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TELHAM

Palm Sunday – 25th March 2018

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 and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. Amen

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

READINGS, HYMNS AND PRAYERS FOR TODAY

8.00am Holy Communion – St Mary’s

The Dean

9.30am Parish Communion - St Mary’s

Rev. Simon Earl

Readings: Zech 9:9-12 (p.955)

John 12: 12-19 (p.1079)

Hymns: 384, 289, 1157, 400 & 485 (*Songs of Fellowship*)

*(Between these services all are warmly invited for refreshments
in the Benedicta Whistler Centre)*

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.

Church of the Ascension, Telham

The Dean

9.30am Holy Communion

Readings: Philippians 2 v 5-11

Mark 15 v 1-39

Psalm: Psalm 31 v 9-18

Holy Week & Easter Day Service Times

29th March

Maundy Thursday	10.30 am	Holy Communion	St Mary’s
	7.30pm	Holy Communion	St Mary’s

30th March

Good Friday	12.00 noon	Meditation	Telham
Good Friday	1.30pm	Meditation	St Mary’s

1st April

Easter Day	10.00 am	Holy Communion	Telham
Easter Day	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary’s
	9.30 am	Parish Communion	St. Mary’s
	11.00am	Modern Service	St. Mary’s
	6.00pm	Choral Evensong	St. Mary’s

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.

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. You are invited to join us as we pray for this week, **25th March for Harrier Lane, Blackfriars, The Emmanuel Centre and Methodist Church.**

Churches Together in Holy Week

This week there will be a series of ecumenical early morning services for Holy Week in the Lady Chapel on Mon 26th, Tues 27th, Weds 28th and Thurs 29th March at **8.00am**. A light breakfast will be available in the Benedicta Whistler Centre after each service for those who wish to stay. Do come and join us. Everyone is welcome.
(Please note, these services replace the usual Early Morning Prayer on those days.)

Good Friday Walk of Witness

11 am Meet at the Emmanuel Centre, refreshments served

11.30 am prayers and set out from the Emmanuel Centre

12 -12.10 pm Prayers at St Marys Church

12.10 – 12.30 pm continue walk along High Street to Market Square and then to the Baptist Church where Hot Cross Buns will be served.

Easter cards

The recycled Easter Cards are now in the Church on the chest at the back of the Church. All proceeds to Church funds. *Sheila Gerken*