

### **Food Bank**

The situation has vastly improved with regard to stock at the Food Bank. We are so grateful. We are not really short of anything at this moment except perhaps pet food, baby food and nappies.

We don't need to give these out very often, so only a small supply is needed. Otherwise we are happy to receive anything on our regular shopping list. Thank you to those who have given individual donations over the past month, as well as to all the churches.

*Shelagh Franks and Helen Ormrod.*

### **St Mary's Nursery**

We are again collecting the **Sainsbury's Active Kids** vouchers. When asked if you are collecting, please say YES and start saving. Last year we were able to claim some great soft play equipment, worth around £200, so every voucher counts! There will be a collecting box in the Church Porch. Thank you!

### **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 are on sale at the back of the Church, please have a look and hopefully, buy! All proceeds to St Mary's Church. Thank you. *Sheila Gerken.*

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

[webmaster@stmarysbattle.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@stmarysbattle.org.uk)

Information for pew sheets to [pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk](mailto:pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk) no later than **9pm Wednesday evenings.**

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

**Fourth Sunday of Lent 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**(Mothering Sunday)**

**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**

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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**

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Post Communion**

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## READINGS AND HYMNS FOR TODAY AT ST. MARY'S

### 8.00am Holy Communion

#### 9.30am Parish Communion

Canon Dr E Bryant

Readings: Exodus 2: 1-10 (p.58)  
Luke 2:33-35 (p. 1028)

Hymns: 436, 285, 297, 459 & 413 (*New English Hymnal*)  
(*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.

#### 1.45pm Special Service at St Mary's this afternoon

A special service for the whole community following the tragic death of **Debbie Masters**, to enable us to share our sorrow and pray for the Masters family in their grief.

#### 9.30am Holy Communion, Telham

The Dean

Readings: 2 Corinthians 1 v 3-7  
Luke 2 v 33-35

Psalm: 34 v 11-20

#### Services next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion\*

10.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Modern Service \*

6.00pm Choral Evensong

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\*The **Ven. Dr. Edward Dowler**, the new Archdeacon of Hastings will be our guest speaker at both our 9.30am and 11 o'clock services.

### 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 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.

#### 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 29<sup>th</sup> March** - Battle Baptist Church

In the Manna House, Mount Street, Battle.

*Donations received are distributed to charities nominated by each group*

#### Telham Bible Study – 6<sup>th</sup> April

We next meet at Tom Long's home Virginia, Whatlington Road, Battle at 3pm. All welcome.

#### Lent Study Group – Every Wednesday to 12<sup>th</sup> April

There will be a weekly Lent Study Group starting at **7.30pm** in the Benedicta Whistler Centre. All are welcome.

#### Annual Parochial Church Meeting – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April

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