

We aim to be a growing community of Christian people who desire to be:

mature disciples : committed church family members : effective witnesses : caring neighbours

Dates for your Diary:

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| • Sunday 7 th May | Homemade stall, book stall and Fairtrade in the Church hall |
| • Saturday 13 th May | The Bothy Garden volunteer group – 10am – 12 noon (Open Morning Event) |
| • Saturday 13 th May | Leatherhead Rotary Quiz – St Marys's Church Hall at 7pm. |
| • Saturday 20 th May | Who Let the Dad's Out - 9.30-11.30am |
| • Wednesday 24 th May | Treasury Study Day: 10.15am – 15.15pm - The Marquee at Guildford Cathedral |
| • Sat 27 th / Sun 28 th May | Big Church Day Out |
| • Sunday 4 th June | Thy Kingdom Come Event at Guildford Cathedral - 16:30 - 20:00 |
| • Saturday 17 th June | Who Let the Dad's Out - 9.30-11.30am |
| • Saturday 24 th June | The Bothy Garden volunteer group – 10am – 12 noon |
| • 22 nd - 28 th July | New Wine |
| • Saturday 9 th September | The Bothy Garden volunteer group – 10am – 12 noon |
| • Saturday 9 th September | Ride and Stride |
| • Sat/Sun 9 th / 10 th Sept | Heritage Weekend |
| • Saturday 16 th September | Who Let the Dad's Out - 9.30-11.30am |
| • Saturday 21 st October | Who Let the Dad's Out - 9.30-11.30am |
| • Saturday 11 th November | The Bothy Garden volunteer group – 10am – 12 noon (end of season social) |
| • Saturday 18 th November | Who Let the Dad's Out - 9.30-11.30am |

Weekly Services

- Thursday:** 10.00am Holy Communion
- Sunday:** 8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion
11.15am Informal Worship Service NB: First Sunday in the month when there is Gener8

Crèche for under 3s and **Activ8** for 3-10 year olds at 9.30 & 11.15 services, with the exception of the first Sunday each month.

Thursday – Mid-week communion at 10am – 3rd Thursday of the month coffee will be served in the hall along with the Hearing Aid Clinic – **see note below regarding this month.**

Evening Services in May

- Sunday 7th No Evening service
- Sunday 14th Choral Evensong at 6.30pm
- Sunday 21st Restore Café @ Greenwise at 7pm
- Sunday 28th Service of Reflection at 6.30pm
- Sunday 30th No Evening service

The APCM was held on Sunday 23 April and attended by 63 members of the St Mary's church family. The reports and figures are available at the back of the church and the full minutes will follow shortly.

Coffee & Hearing Aid Clinic – Please note that there will be NO hearing aid clinic on 18th May but Thursday Coffee as usual on that day.



Homemade and Fairtrade and Book Stalls will be available this weekend, Sunday 7th May. The home-made stall will be featuring plants this month, but as usual we will still be needing lots of baking, cakes and home-made gifts and will be grateful for anything home-made.

Rev Sally Dakin and her husband, Bishop Tim Dakin run the charity 'AMADET supporting Africans in mission', which is the way we get the money we raise to Nairobi: **'MANY thanks to you and to all involved in this brilliant fundraising work - I think it is amazing the way you keep on generating these funds, month after month.... We are deeply grateful for all your support'**

New Wine Week One, 22nd -28th July. Please speak to Andrew or Jenny, or go to www.new-wine.org and choose 'St Mary's Fetcham' as your church.

Big Church Day Out - Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th May Wiston House, West Sussex - This is a fantastic day out for people of all ages to celebrate being church. To find out more information about the event, go to www.bigchurchdayout.com Please contact me (jenny18smith@outlook.com) or click here: <http://bigchurchdayout.com/group/cf6c454af98ce2098306234199b8c2bd> The cheapest way to go to the Big Church Day Out is in a group; the price will keep dropping as our Group grows! Your payment will be taken when our Group closes and we have the lowest price for our Group.



Who Let the Dads Out - Meet other Dads and talk about Dad things like tools, sport, food, beer, cars and just being a Dad! For the kids; games, music, fun and a chance to make lots of new friends, all are welcome. Dates for 2017: Sat 20 May. Sat 17 Jun. Sat 16 Sep. Sat 21 Oct. Sat 18 Nov. Time: 9.30-11.30am

FM Life is a fortnightly group for women of all ages. It's a great opportunity to make new friends, chat about issues relating to our everyday lives and to think about how our faith may help us. It is held in the church hall from 10am - 11.30am with crèche facilities should you need it.



Treasury Study Day: Wed 24 May, 10.15am – 15.15pm - The Marquee at Guildford Cathedral

Spend a fascinating day with curators from some of the finest Cathedral Treasuries in the country, exploring their remarkable collections. This unique day offers four illustrated talks, telling the stories of people, parishes and national history, through the treasures held at Canterbury, Chichester and Guildford Cathedrals. Admission free, free parking. Please register for a free place by contacting louise@guildford-cathedral.org, 01483 547886 or contact Karen office@stmarysfetcham.org.uk for more details.

Beacon Event on Sunday 4th June - As part of the Archbishop of Canterbury's **Thy Kingdom Come** invitation to Christians around the world to pray as one at Pentecost, Guildford Cathedral will host a huge beacon event. *ST MARY'S ARE INTENDING TO GO AS A GROUP so please contact Jenny (jenny18smith@outlook.com) if you would like to go as part of the group. Please let Jenny know which celebration you would like to go to. Please note: there is no parking at the Cathedral except for blue badge holders. You will need to park in and around Guildford and then take public transport to Stag Hill.*

Heritage Weekend, 9-10th September and the Ride & Stride is Sat 9th September. Come and enjoy walking or cycling around some of our beautiful local churches and raise some money for Surrey Churches.



Leatherhead Rotary Quiz night- Saturday 13th May at 7pm in the church hall - £10 including a cooked supper – but bring your own drinks. More information – contact Simon Edmandson on 07753 821964 or leatherheadrotary@gmail.com

Local garden open for charity - Sunday 28th – Monday 29th May, Saturday 22nd – Sunday 23rd July. Every penny received from the public goes to the very worthwhile charities of St Catherine's Hospice and the National Garden Scheme whose primary beneficiaries are the MacMillan Nurses and Marie Curie. For more details refer to the NGS Yellow Book.

QR Codes – so what is a QR code that I keep seeing? It is a machine-readable code consisting of an array of black and white squares, typically used for storing URLs or other information for reading by the camera on a smartphone. We are using these to take users to our new church website or pages of interest such as "history of the church".



Guildford Cathedral What's One Guide for May/June/July: click here: www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/diary/2017-05-01.pdf



Help needed - The Vineyard Community Centre in Richmond would be really grateful for men's thick socks, trainers or boots, t-shirts, sleeping bags. Please let Julie Partidge know and she can arrange collection from you.

A big thank you from Laurence and Jennie Curtis for support received and letters and cards following the sad departing of Sylvia Curtis. Thank you for the joyful noise from the choir and organist to make the service so special for the family.

A big thank you to:

- The volunteers who provided a wonderful spread for the APCM.
- Karen Jordan, Colin Reid, 1st Fetcham Scouts, leaders and families helping to maintain the graveyard grounds
- Linda Tippelt and the team of florists for the beautiful flowers over Easter
- Sarah Mackay for her wonderful support as Church warden as she sadly stands down after her years of service.



Please pray for:

Those who are sick, including; Sybil Francklow, Gordon Lake, Sebastian Nohl, Joan Nash, Humphrey Bowen, Liz Crawford, Paul Boughton, Liz Boughton, Elaine Mead, Daphne Burfoot, David Watson and Barbara Grant.

The family of Sylvia Curtis who sadly passed away.

Sarah and Brendan Whitfield who got married on 22nd April.

St Mary's, Fetcham Parish Church: <http://stmarysfetcham.org.uk/> Rector: the Reverend Andrew Smith, tel 01372 375000.

Please submit copy for inclusion in the Newsletter to Tracey-Anne by e-mail (newsletter@stmarysfetcham.org.uk or tracey-anne@ntlworld.com),

The newsletter is issued on the 1st weekend of each month. If you would like to provide any content, please ensure it is sent to Tracey-Anne by 3pm the SUNDAY before.