

## MARCH CHURCH NEWS

## Your own Notes

### Thursday 28th:

Visitation by Bishop Martin to Morning Prayer at 9.00am followed by breakfast.

### The Lent Course: "Living Christ"

"In the 2019 Year of Vocation Lent Course – Living Christ – we encounter Christians across Sussex exploring what it means to live out their vocation to know, love and follow Jesus, and invite participants in the course to ponder how they are living out their own baptism.

with video contributions from a farmer, an artist, a mental-health campaigner, a carer and many others, the course consists of five sessions exploring: our life's work; family, friendship and community; a good childhood; health and vulnerability; and how we draw close to Christ at the end of our lives. Along with Scripture, prayer and discussion, it is hoped that Living Christ will be an engaging resource for small groups across the Diocese in the Year of Vocation"

**Sunday 28th April**  
**Come and enjoy**  
**A BRING & SHARE LUNCH**  
**with Chris and Sue**

The aim is to publish this newsletter each month.

Final date for copy for next month's newsletter: **Thursday 13th**

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## ST MARY'S CHURCH WESTHAM

## MARCH 2019



A verse for Lent;

Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me"

Matthew 16: 24

## March Sunday Services

### Sunday 3rd:

8.00 am Holy Communion BCP  
9.45 am Jubilate  
11.15 am Holy Communion—Common Worship  
Readings: Exodus 34: 29—end **Psalms 99**  
2 Cor 3:12-4:2 Luke 9: 28-36

### Sunday 10th

8.00 am Holy Communion BCP  
9.45 am Holy Communion—Common Worship  
Readings: Deuteronomy 26 1-11 **Psalms 91**  
Rom 10: 8b-13 Luke 4: 1-13  
4.00 pm Evensong -Jonah 3  
**Psalms 119: 73-88**  
Luke 18: 9-14

### Sunday 17th:

8.00 am Holy communion BCP  
9.45 am Holy Communion—Common Worship  
with Children's group  
Readings: Genesis 15: 1-12,17-18 **Psalms 27**  
Phil 3:17 4:1 Luke 13: 31- end

### Sunday 24th:

8.00 am Holy communion BCP  
9.45 am Holy Communion—Common Worship  
Readings: Isaiah 55: 1-9 **Psalms 63: 1-9**  
1 Cor 10: 1-13 Luke 13: 1- 9

### Sunday 31st Mothering Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion BCP  
9.45 am Family service followed by  
Holy Communion  
Readings: Joshua 5: 9-12 **Psalms 32**  
2 Cor 5: 16—end  
Luke 15: 1-3, 11b—end

## Dates for the March diary

Every weekday at 9.00am  
Morning Prayer in the Meeting Room

**PCC meet on Monday 18th 7.30pm**

**Noah's Ark:** 1.00—3.00 pm Tuesdays  
(not 5th as it is the Pancake Party)

**Pancake Party:**  
Tuesday 5th 3.00—5.00 pm

**Lent Course in the Meeting Room,  
7.30pm:**  
Tuesday 12th, 19th & 26th March  
Tuesday 2nd & 9th April

**Ash Wednesday**  
9.00am Holy Communion

**Mothers Union**  
Wed 20th 2.00pm Corporate Communion  
Sat 23rd 2.30pm Commissioning service  
at Chichester cathedral

**Choir Practice;**  
Every Wednesday at 6.30 pm

**Bell Ringing: Practice**  
7.30pm Wednesday 13th & 27th

**Activate:**  
10.00am Thursday 14th & 28th

**Connected Youth Group:**  
Saturdays 7.00—9.00 pm

**Churchyard Clearing**  
Saturday 30th 10.00—12.00 noon

**NB: April 29th**  
**7.00 for 7.30 - APCM**

## Prayer and Praise

**Please continue to pray for:**

Janet and George, Sue Stone, Shirley Tourle, Jenny Murton, Holly Aitkenhead, Daphne Chesson, Muriel Leaver, Michael and Kay, Graham Doidge, little Lily, Yvonne, Rachael Plumley, Doreen Wilson and for all those recently bereaved.

**Sad news:** Sam Fanaroff died on Saturday, February 16th. Please pray for Mary-jo, David and family, and Sam's many friends at this time of sadness.

**Sam's funeral:**

Tuesday 19th March. 11.30, in Church

Welcome to **POPPY EMMA MURPHY**, a daughter for Cheryl and Darren and a sister for Lily Beth (Born on Friday 8th Feb)

Eddie's sister: thank you so much for your prayers. Joy is now back at home with additional help for her husband Patrick

**Praise and Thanksgiving**

For Chris and Sue, for all their work at Westham and for much blessing for them in the future

For Revd Frances with additional responsibility, for Val and Sue our church wardens and for the PCC who meet this month

For our country and government making vital decisions at this crucial time

That we will find ways of continuing links with the school

For the services and varied activities arranged for this month