

NOTICES

MERROW COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR meets every Monday, 5-6pm in Merrow Hall, St John's Centre. Come and join us!

The Choir, along with Emily's other Choirs, have released a **CHARITY SINGLE** to raise funds for Parkinson's UK Guildford and South Surrey. To listen to the single and to donate please go to St John's website: www.saintjohns.org.uk

MERROW COMM GOSPEL CHOIR SPRINGTIME CONCERT on Sat 18th May at 6.30pm in St John's Centre. No charge but donations welcome for Christian Aid.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12th to 18th May - house to house is this week. If you live in a road where we don't collect, envelopes can be found at the back of church if you would like to give. Please return to the Parish Office.

JANE SEALS of CAP, one of our Church Charities this year, will be speaking at the 10am Service on Sun 26th May.

MESSY CHURCH - come and join us in St John's Centre for activities, craft, food, games and stories on Sat 1st June, 2-4.30pm.

ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE 2019 on **SATURDAY 8TH JUNE 2-4pm** in the Rectory Gardens to raise money for The Matrix Trust and St John's Church. Do join us for Maypole Dancing, children's games and numerous stalls. Your donations of Cakes, Plants, Paperback Books, Bottles and children's games would be much appreciated next month. More details to follow.

TOOLS FOR AFRICA - we are working with a Christian charity called TWAM (Tools with a Mission) to collect tools for African countries. Please look in your sheds, garages and cupboards for builders', carpenters', electricians', garden, motor mechanics' and plumbers' tools. We are also collecting sewing machines, knitting needles, haberdashery materials and PC/ Laptops. The collection box is in the Centre foyer; it will be emptied periodically by Gordon Farquharson. Please see more information in April's Parish Magazine and at the back of Church and in the Centre. Larger items can be collected - phone Gordon on 07785 265909.

FREE MONEY FOR ST JOHN'S - don't forget to go through the www.easyfundraising.org.uk site when purchasing or just searching for goods from Amazon, John Lewis etc.

COMMUNITY ANGELS - are having a Volunteer Training Day on Sat 18th May, 9.30am-3pm, at Millmead Centre, Buryfields, GU2 4AZ. See posters in church /centre.

CHRISTIAN AID PLANT SALE at Emmanuel Church, Stoughton, on Sat 18th May, 10am to 1pm.

WALK FOR WATER AID - at Newlands Corner on Sat 8th June. Circular walks of 0.5, 2, 4 or 8 miles. See poster in Centre or visit www.wateraidwestsurrey.org

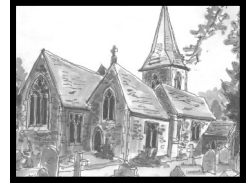


St John the Evangelist Merrow

12th May 2019

CHRISTIAN AID SUNDAY

Today's Services



8.00am Holy Communion *BCP*

President & Preacher: Tim Dean

10.00am Holy Communion *CW*

President: Margaret Dean

Preacher: Tim Dean

Reading, Intercessions & Elements: Carole Burtonwood & Andy Nunney

HYMNS:

538 Gracious God, in adoration

725 Make me a channel of your peace

557 Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair

494 I, the Lord of sea and sky

11.30am Holy Baptism

President: Margaret Dean

6.30pm NO SERVICE

Rector: Revd Rona Stuart-Bourne ☎ 572207 revrona@gmail.com

Day off Thursday

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Churchwardens: Helen Chambers 846574

Barry Dickinson 07917 598742

TODAY'S COLLECT & READINGS

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Acts 9.36-43

In Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Second Reading Revelation 7.9-17 - please read at home

Gospel John 10.22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYERS:

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: Pray for for the Anglican Church of Korea
The Most Revd Moses Nagjun Yoo - Primate of Korea and Bishop of Daejeon

DIOCESAN CALENDAR OF PRAYER: Pray for Bishop Andrew, Bishop Jo, Archdeacon Paul Bryer, Archdeacon Paul Davies and their staffs that they may transform the lives of those in this diocese into a closer relationship with God

IN AND AROUND THE PARISH AND DEANERY: Pray for those who live and work in Merrow Park and for the Rector, PCC and Parishioners of All Saints, Onslow Village.

FOR THOSE BEING BAPTISED THIS SUNDAY, FOR HER PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: Lacie Rose Druce

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR: Linda & Paul Ratnieks Penny Evans
John Higgins Elizabeth Jordon Barbara White Brenda Mansey Clifford King

FOR THE DEPARTED AND THOSE WHO MOURN:

Yvonne Tarrant Reginal Irving Webb Florence Aldridge Brian Ireland
Joan Ashbee

Yvonne Tarrant's Funeral Service will take place at St Peter's & St Paul's Church, West Clandon on Mon 20th May at 12.30pm.

Brian Ireland's Funeral Service will take place at Guildford Crem on Thurs 23rd May at 12 noon.

This week at St John's

Morning Prayer - none this week

Evening Prayer - none this week

Join Rona for Morning and Evening Prayer by clicking on the link to the Church of England Daily Prayer page on our website.

Please be assured that Rona prays the Daily Office both in Church at published times, and privately at other times. Prayer requests are always welcome.

Mon	9-10am	Contemplative Prayer in the Quiet Room
	9.45-11.45am	Baby & Toddler Gp in Merrow Hall
Tues	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Wed	10.30am	Holy Communion in Merrow Hall Wed Coffee Club
Fri	6.30pm	Choir Practice

Next Sunday 19th May - 5th Sunday of Easter

8am	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>
10am	Holy Communion <i>CW</i>
6.30pm	Meditation & Compline