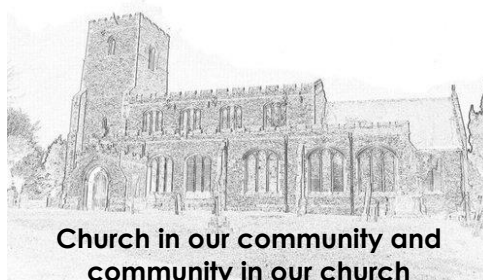


Welcome to St Mary The Virgin, Linton

Church
Community



St Mary's pewsheet for the week commencing 12th March 2017

Services

First Sunday of Lent

8.00 Communion

Genesis 12:1-4a and
John 3:1-17

10.00 All Age Eucharist

John 3:1-17

Thursday

10.00 Communion

Friday

9.00 School Service

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to you all as we worship together, especially to you if you are visiting or this is your first time with us.

At our Sunday Communion services, all are welcome to receive the bread and wine, either at the High Altar or within the Nave. If you would rather have a blessing, please keep your hands below the rail or lowered and we will pray with you. It is also fine to stay in your seat and just enjoy a time of quiet. Children are welcome to receive the bread too if they put their hands out.

Please join us for refreshments,

in the pavilion after the Friday and 10 a.m. Sunday service.

Everyone is welcome, there is no charge, however a basket is available if you feel able to give a donation.

St Mary's Notices

Science Festival at Ely Cathedral: A poster about an innovative Science Festival in Ely Cathedral from 19th May to 18th June is on the notice board inside the church door. Events for all the family (including some lectures specifically for adults), from dinosaurs to a 'Blast Off' interactive show. It looks a very good programme, and events may get booked up early (especially the ones in Half-term week) - so please take a look and make bookings soon.

Fairtrade stall at Farmers' Market 4 March 2017

There was a great variety of gifts and foodstuffs to mark Fairtrade Fortnight plus plenty of leaflets and stickers on the stall about Fairtrade.

Goods to the value of £140 were sold of which St Mary's will receive 10%. With the money from the sale of coffee & biscuits a total of approx £40 will go to St Mary's. If you were unable to visit the stall, do have a look at the Fairtrade products website from which goods can be ordered traidcraftshop.co.uk.

Events Committee

Web-a-thon!

It's time for us to put together a new web site for our churches.

We have a draft new web site here: <http://stmaryinton.churchinsight.com>

but there is still a lot of work to do before we can replace our main web site.

We want volunteers who will help to run the site. No experience is necessary, and training will be given.

Even if you don't want to help on an ongoing basis, we still want to hear your ideas for the site. We also urgently need any pictures, video or audio of St Mary's and the other churches that you would allow us to publish.

You can send email to Rob with media files and ideas for the site, and he can set you up with a login if you want to help more: rob@ambrosia.org.uk

Rob will also be hosting a web site meeting on 15th March 18.30 to 21.00 in the Pavilion. Bring along your ideas AND your photos (on a USB stick, or to be scanned in).

The meeting is open to everyone with any interest in the web site.

Notices for the week

Please send news items to Sue Filby*
suefilby@btinternet.com by 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday,
 as the pewsheet is printed ready for the Friday Service.

Haverhill Foodbank have a few specific food item shortages long-life juice, instant mash and sugar. Plus they need carrier bags, if you can give them.

Fund-raising for Arthur Rank Hospice

At St Bede's on Thursday 23rd March we are planning to hold a 'Mother's Day Shop' so that students can buy small gifts for Mothering Sunday. The shop will operate in my room during the day. We are hoping to sell items such as: toiletries, pretty note-books and pens, cosmetics, jewellery and so on. Really anything small which a mother might like. We are planning to gift-wrap these items so that they look pretty. Cakes and plants will be welcome on the day. I would like to ask if anyone has any small items which they would like to donate. All proceeds will go the charity. Items can be given to me - Pam Richardson - or I am happy to collect things. Please ring 890921.

Please support the Mini Market after the 10 a.m. service this week, please include a list of ingredients for any home baked items.

Maundy Thursday - 7.30pm 13th April The choir will be singing at this service and would welcome additional singers. If you would like to take part, please come for a rehearsal at church ready to sing at 6.45pm before the service. David Parry-Smith 894715 david@parry-smith.co.uk

Come & Sing Stainer's Crucifixion – Saturday, 25 March at St Mary's Linton. 2.30pm rehearsal; 5pm tea; 6pm performance as a meditation during Lent. Singers - Copies of music available on the day, but please register & pay beforehand: info@accms.org Cost (for singers) £5. There will be a retiring collection for those attending the performance only. All funds help the Archdeacons of Cambridge Church Music Society run its major festival service at King's College Chapel in Cambridge on Saturday, 16 September. David Parry-Smith 894715

Thank you very much to everyone who took part or came to the Pot Pourri concert (& joined in the singing!) on 25 February. We raised £287.25 for St Mary's. Anne Parry-Smith.

Deceased - Diana Leighton sadly died early Tuesday morning.

The Friends of St Mary's are putting on a Concert including the 'Music of Flanders and Swann' on Sunday, April 2nd at 3pm in the Church. Pete Chapman, singer and clarinetist, and Mike O'Neill, pianist, are members of the Memphis Jazz Band, who entertained us two years ago. Tickets, to include refreshments, are £10 from Chris Morse, 891616 and Margaret Cox, 891231.

Other activities for the week

Monday

10.30 Service at Symonds House

Wednesday

12.00 Lent Lunch, 40 Back Road

6.30 Web-a-thon

7.30 Bell Ringing

Thursday

7.45 PCC Meeting, Pavilion

Friday

7.30 Choir Practice

Saturday

12.30 Wedding of Nathan Shea and Sarah Wright

Next Sunday

8.00 Communion
 Celebrant: Maggie Guite
 Exodus 17:1-7 and
 John 4:5-42

10.00 Communion
 Celebrant: Ian Fisher
 Preacher: Malcolm Guite
 Exodus 17:1-7 and
 John 4:5-42

2.30 Messy Church

Dates for your diary

20 April Christians Together Prayer Meeting

Maggie's usual day off is Tuesday.

Morning and Evening Prayers

On Monday ~ Thursday Maggie and Nicola B will be saying morning prayer in the Resurrection Chapel at 8.30 a.m., on alternate Mondays at Castle Camps, they would be glad for anyone to join them.

All are welcome to join in at any time, with a particular invitation to join others attending

Evening Prayer **on Friday**
 in the Resurrection Chapel at 5.00 p.m.

St Mary's Lent Lunches

The Lent lunches are being hosted between 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm from Wednesday 1st March [Ash Wednesday] until Wednesday 13th April at various locations:

March 1st Lorna & Don Mullholland 1 Hillway
 March 8th Cynthia & Hugh Paton 3 Balsham Road
 March 15th Linda Richardson 40 Back Road
 March 22nd Rosie & Richard Read 8 The Furrells
 March 29th Diane & Chris Morse 10 Whyts Acre
 April 5th Gill & Lawrence Powell 7 Harefield Rise
 April 12th Colleen & Derek Lockstone at St Mary's Pavilion

**The charity chosen for support this year is
 'FRIENDS OF THE HOLYLAND'**

