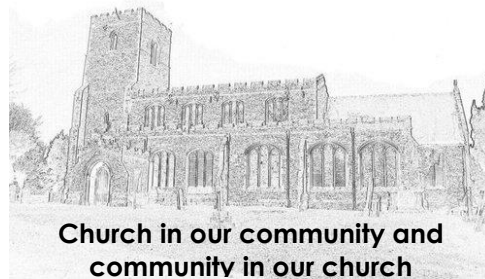


Welcome to St Mary The Virgin, Linton

Church
Community



St Mary's pewsheet for the week commencing 23rd April 2017

Services

Second Sunday of Easter

8.00 Communion

Acts 2:14a. 22-32 and
John 20:19-31

10.00 Communion

Acts 2:14a. 22-32 and
John 20:19-31

2.30 Messy Church

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 10 a.m. Sunday and Friday services.

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

St Mary's Notices

The Church annual meeting (**APCM**) is to be held on Thursday 27th April at 7.45 p.m. in the church, preceded by cheese and wine from 7.15 p.m.

The meeting will review the year and have elections. **The APCM report for 2017** is loaded onto the website <http://www.stmaryslinton.org.uk/pcc-minutes/apcm-reports/>

We are looking for a new **churchwarden** to replace John Thorne as he has served the maximum term and there are **five vacancies for PCC members**. Churchwarden elections are held each year and PCC members usually serve for three years. In addition, two representatives are required for the **Deanery Synod**. We extend our thanks to John Thorne; to Andrew Gore and Derek Lockstone who have represented St Mary's on the Deanery Synod and also to the five PCC members who have served three years and now stand down: Nanette Blackmore, Michael Holden, Judy Nightingale, Gill Powell and Rosemary Read. Could you prayerfully consider whether you might be able to fill one of these positions and serve the church community in this way.

Any PCC member will be able to tell you more about the role(s) and I have nomination forms. There is one criterion in that you have to have been on the Church Electoral Roll for at least six months.

Thank you, Sue Mudge, PCC Secretary.

Please Note: Maggie has a new email and will not be accessing her old email account very soon. Please update your records to margaret.guite@icloud.com

Notices for the week

Please send news items to **Sue Filby***
suef4rector@btinternet.com by 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday,
 as the pewsheet is printed ready for the Friday Service.

If you would like to receive the pewsheet, and other communications e.g. The Rector's Letter and Prayer Diary by email, please contact **Sue Filby*** to have your details added to the pewsheet distribution list.

Haverhill Foodbank shortages are long-life juice, instant mash, jam, sugar, chocolate & sponge puddings and items for the starter-packs are small saucepans, cereal/soup bowls & single fitted sheets.

Please could anyone spare a Wednesday morning to help out in the kitchen at Tots-in-tow? We make drinks, prepare snacks for the children and generally help people to feel welcome and precious. If you would like to know more, please ask Sarah Thorne.

Many thanks to all who donated to the DEC East Africa Appeal. Cheques totalling £380 have been sent to Christian Aid.

Christian Aid Week - 14 - 20 May

I would like to encourage anyone who is interested in development issues and the work of Christian Aid in particular, to attend a meeting on Thursday 4th May at 7pm in the pavilion. There will be a short presentation followed by discussion, sharing of information about collecting - and cake!! More information available from Pam

Volunteers urgently required to offer lifts to church, this service allows us to be hospitable and inclusive and has involved taking elderly or disabled people to an occasional 10:00 am Sunday service & other special services such as 'All Souls' or the Carol service. Anybody prepared to help please contact Derek Lockstone [01223 891931].

The Mothers' Union meets on Monday 24th April to hear Linda Richardson talk about 'Poetry inspired painting'. Do come and join us at 8 p.m. in the pavilion. Note this is the 4th Monday of the month to avoid Easter Monday.

Supporting the Infants School, could you spare a couple of hours after school on a Thursday, each week during term-time, to volunteer to help at the after school sewing club? This would be alongside two other adults and helping the children with their sewing. A DBS check would be needed. Please contact Sue Filby for more details.

Thank you to everyone who give generously not only their time also towards the flowers to decorate the Church at Easter and to all who bought a stem of Rose or Lily to commemorate their loved one. Lian.

Other activities for the week

Monday

10.30 Service at Symonds House
 8.00 Mothers' Union

Wednesday

10.00 Midweek communion,
 Camps Vicarage
 7.00 Flower Arrangers Meeting
 7.30 Bell Ringing

Thursday

7.15 for Cheese and wine served before
 7.45 start APCM Meeting

Friday

7.30 Choir Practice

Next Sunday

8.00 Communion
 Celebrant: Maggie Guite
 Acts 2:14a. 36-41 and
 Luke 24:13-35
 10.00 Communion
 Celebrant: Maggie Guite
 Preacher: Maggie Guite
 Acts 2:14a. 36-41 and
 Luke 24:13-35

Dates for your diary

14 - 20 May Christian Aid Week

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

Colleen & Derek Lockstone wish to thank all those people who supported this years Lent lunches again either by attending or by hosting one of the lunches. We were especially grateful to the many friends who came forward and helped out after Colleen was taken ill. I am sure you will be as pleased as we were to be able to give the charity 'Friends of the Holy Land' a donation of £1277.50 from St Mary's, Linton.