

## Family Registers

### Baptism:

03.06.18 Noah Moore, Gerrards Cross

### Wedding:

16.06.18 Anthony Daniel Mifsud, Denham to  
Rachael Angela Maher, Denham

### Cremation:

05.06.18 Ethel White (85) Denham Manor Care Home



## Mark Marathon

**Sunday, 8 July, 6-8pm, St Mary's Church**

Come to church and hear the whole of Mark's Gospel, read by members of our church!

*No running required. Refreshments will be served.*

## Summer Movies at St Mark's

**Sunday 22 July, 4pm**

Come and watch a family-friendly film!  
All ages welcome | Film choice TBC



We are making steady progress in preparing for the launch of a refreshed church magazine (*Denham Parish News*) and are hoping to publish the first issue soon. Hopefully this calendar will help you to stay up-to-date and connected. For any questions about our church, please contact our church office or go to our website.

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## Calendar for July 2018



### *Helping thinkers believe and believers think*

Dear friends,

When Jesus was asked, "Which is the greatest commandment?" he answered with a verse from Deuteronomy 6.5: "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." But Jesus added a few words: "... and with all your mind."

To love God with your mind begins with being curious about God, to think about the world we live in and to ask big questions. Sometimes these big questions seem to unsettle our faith: "Has science abolished God?" "Can we really trust the Bible?" "Why does a loving God allow suffering?"

They can become a big stumbling block for people who would like to believe in Jesus. Or a convenient excuse not to explore the claims of Christianity. They can unsettle people who have a faith and make them defensive, when others challenge them. But as followers of Jesus we keep asking questions and will do until we die. The God who invites us to love him with all our mind encourages us to do that!

We are planning a series of events for 18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> November under the heading "Rethink" – it's an invitation to think again about the faith. A Christian believer once said to an unbelieving friend, "Tell me about the God you do *not* believe in and you may find that I don't believe in *that* God either."

Not every question we have will be answered in this life. But Christians aren't people who have to switch their brains off to believe in God. After all, God has created us *with* a brain. So let's talk about the big questions.

*What are the faith questions that you wrestle with?* Do contact our church office with your thoughts, so we can include them in our planning for "Rethink".

*Christoph Lindner, Rector*

## July 2018 Calendar

<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup></b>		<b>Fifth Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>Seventh Sunday after Trinity</b>
	8.00 am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's</i>		8.00 am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's</i>
	10.30 am	Family Service. <i>St Mary's</i> (with Sunday Club for children)		10.30 am	Morning Worship. <i>St Mary's</i> (with Sunday Club for children)
	3.30 pm	Café Church. <i>St Mark's</i>			
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10am-12noon	Lifegroup for Women. <i>The Rectory</i>	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holy Communion. <i>Denham Garden Village</i>
	8.00pm	Lifegroup. <i>The Rectory</i>		8.00 pm	Lifegroup. <i>The Rectory</i>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 am	Service with Discussion Group. <i>St Francis Chapel, New Denham</i>	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-11.30 am	Little Lions Toddler Group. <i>St Mark's</i>
	7.45pm	PCC Meeting. <i>St Francis Chapel, New Denham</i>	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's Vestry</i>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-11.30 am	Little Lions Toddler Group. <i>St Mark's</i>	<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>		<b>Eighth Sunday after Trinity</b>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's Vestry</i>		8.00 am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's</i>
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>Sixth Sunday after Trinity</b>		10.30 am	Sung Communion. <i>St Mary's</i> (with Sunday Club for children)
	8.00 am	Holy Communion BCP. <i>St Mary's</i>		4.00pm	<b>Summer Movies at St Mark's:</b> Come and watch a family-friendly film! All ages welcome (film choice TBC)
	10.30 am	Sung Communion. <i>St Mary's</i> (with Sunday Club for children & 'Destiny' for older children)	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's Vestry</i>
	6-8pm	The Mark Marathon. <i>St Mary's</i> ( <i>More information: page 4 of this calendar</i> )	<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>Ninth Sunday after Trinity</b>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Lifegroup. <i>The Rectory</i>		8.00 am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's</i>
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Little Lions Toddler Group. <i>St Mark's</i>		10.30 am	Morning Worship. <i>St Mary's</i> (with Sunday Club for children)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Holy Communion. BCP. <i>St Mary's Vestry</i>			

### DIARY DATE:

**St Mary's Patronal Festival on Sunday 9 September**

*Celebration service, Church Picnic, Songs of Praise*

**More details soon**