

Farewell notes for the Sharp Family

Sadly, Derek, Missy and Blake Sharp will be moving away due to work. Their last week with us will be Sunday 26 August and we would like to give them a big envelope full of little notes and greetings to show our appreciation and thank you them for all their commitment to Sunday Club, prayers, the Fayre and the sound desk. If you would like to contribute to this farewell envelope, please write a card and either drop it off at the church office or the Rectory during this coming week or add your card to the envelope before the 10.30am service on the 26th. If you have any further questions, please speak to Edda. Many thanks!

“New Daylight” Bible Reading Notes

The August New Daylight bible reading notes are now available for those who have ordered 2018/19. There are 3 copies of these notes covering 3x 4 months every year starting from April. If you have not yet received your September copy, please let me or Victoria know. These notes are ordered once a year, however if anyone else is interested in receiving them please let me know and I can arrange this for you.

Glynis Howell (howellglynis@gmail.com)

Rethink: *Helping Believers Think and Thinkers Believe*.

Thank you to everyone who has submitted a question for our *Rethink* week from 18–25 November. In preparation there will be a special training day on Saturday, 6th October to help us share our faith naturally. More details soon.

St Mark’s Church. With the hot weather drying out the ground, you can trace through the dried out grass the foundations of the original wooden church which were left when it was dismantled. Borrow a gate key and enjoy our little bit of archaeology. Contact church office or Marion Francis.

Monday 20th August

10.30am Holy Communion.
Denham Garden Village

Thursday 23rd August

10.00am Holy Communion. BCP.
St Mary’s Vestry

Denham Parish News: Your contribution

For our first edition of the refreshed magazine we are looking (a) for photos from around the parish and (b) your favourite carol with a short explanation for the reason. Please send your contribution to the church office, place in pigeon hole under ‘M’ at back of church or email

magazine@denhamparish.church

Rosa Burke’s Funeral will be held at Breakspear on 23rd August at 2pm. Church family members are welcome to attend.

St Mary’s Patronal Festival Sunday 9th September. Please make every effort to attend this special day of celebration – it won’t be the same without you! Arrive in the morning and stay for the day. **We will create more parking space next to the church, especially for the day!**

Here is the programme for the day:

10.30am Celebration Service with guest speaker *Fiona Castle*.

12.00pm Church family picnic on church site

1.30pm “Hymns & Pimms” with a combined St Mary’s & Catholic Church choir

3-5 pm Vestry Tea

Remembrance 100. Let us continue to mark the 100 days with prayers for peace, hope and reconciliation. Please pick up a daily prayer guide for this week from the back of church or download it at

www.remembrance100.co.uk/100-days/



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Weekly News Sheet

19th August 2018

12th Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to church! If you are here for the first time or visiting, please say hello to the service leader or a member of the welcome team so we can welcome you personally. During the 10.30 service there is Sunday club for children. If your child is under three or if you would like to help him/her settle, you are welcome to join in.

Christoph Lindner, Rector

My favourite armchair

Do you have a favourite chair in your home? One that is comfortable, maybe with a nice view out of the window and just right for you?

I do.

It is a gift from a friend. Her late husband used to sit in it and we treasure it. When you come into our sitting room it is clearly the ‘boss’ among the furniture. It is usually my first choice.

But when we have guests or when groups meet in our living room I sometimes try to vary things, sit in different places. Partly because it’s fun and gives me a different perspective. But mostly, because I would like our guests to have the comfortable chair. I have it most of the time. I want them to feel welcome.

Many of us have our regular place in church on a Sunday. Maybe because we are used to it and it feels comfortable. Maybe because it holds special memories for us. It’s like coming home and that’s wonderful.

Sometimes, however, we will find someone else sitting in ‘our’ seat. Maybe a member of the baptism family. Maybe a visitor.

That is our opportunity to welcome them, have a little chat and be glad that they can have one of the best seats in the house today. We will probably have it back next week.

Because we welcome like Jesus.

Christoph Lindner

“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.” (Hebrews 13:2)

Worship today



19TH August 12th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion *St Mary's*

Sidesman: Philip Constable

Reader: Stephen Barrett

Readings: 2 Cor 3.4-9
Mark 7. 31-37

9.55-10.00 Pre-service Prayer

St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Morning Worship

St Mary's with Sunday club for children

Preacher: Francis Moloney

Sidesmen: Marion Francis & Maurice Litchmore

Readings and readers:

Ephesians 5. 15-20 Beverley Gray

John 6. 51-58 Sandy Wickenden

Prayers: Philip Thompson

Sunday Club Leader: Sonja Clements

Collect

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ephesians 5.15-20

¹⁵ Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

My Jesus, my Saviour

Lord, there is none like you
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of your mighty love
My comfort, my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship you

*Shout to the Lord,
all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King
Mountains bow down
and the seas will roar
At the sound of your name
I sing for joy at the work of your hands
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in you*

John 6. 51-58

⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' ⁵³So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Prayer for an Associate Minister

"Heavenly Father, giver of all good gifts, please call the right person to join us in our mission and ministry in Denham. May he or she be a person after your own heart, a faithful pastor, full of your Holy Spirit. Please guide all those who take part in the discernment and interviews. We pray in the name of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ Amen."

Worship next week



26TH August 13th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion *St Mary's*

Sidesman: Carlene Litchmore

Reader: Roger Gage

Readings: Gal.3.16-22
Luke 10.23b-37

9.55-10.00 Pre-service Prayer

St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Sung Communion

St Mary's with Sunday club for children

Sidesmen: Heather & Brian O'Regan

Readings and readers:

Ephesians 6.10-20 Robert Ash

John 6. 56-69 Ann Collins

Prayers: Carole Wadlow

Servers: Janet Allen & TBA

Sunday Club Leader: Tim Sole

In your prayers this week, please remember **Thelma Mann, Vi Slade and Christine Willson.**

Also anyone known to us who is sick or suffering the pain of bereavement at this time especially the families of **Lester Forey, Margaret Parfitt, Gerald Milton and Rosa Burke.**

