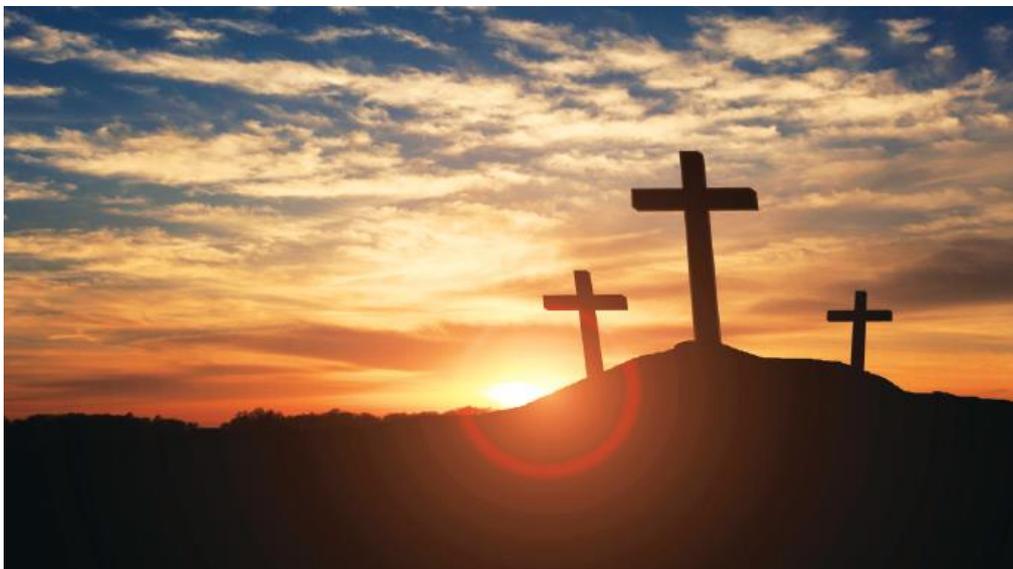


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# St Mary's Monthly Missive April 2018



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# Notices

## DCC/PCC Vacancies 2018

We have 2 vacancies to fill on the PCC, please think whether you might be able to serve the parish in this way. There are six meetings per year, 2 at each of our churches. Our DCC has no vacancies, those whose term of office is coming to an end have offered to serve for a further term of office. Thank you very much to all our District Committee members.

## Other Vacancies

We need your help with: driving or cooking for Little Lunch, gardening or flower arranging, working with our children, helping to organise our fete in May. Lots of jobs, do be in touch please.

**Easter Monday Pilgrimage to the Abbey – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> April.** Meet at Cornelias (St Nicholas Church Hall) at 10.00 am. We will walk to St Albans along footpaths (takes 2 1/2 hours), and then join in with a picnic and games in the Abbey Orchard from around 1.00pm with 1000s of others from across the Diocese. We then join the procession into the Cathedral for the Easter Monday Service which begins at **3.00pm**. The service finishes by 4.30pm in plenty of time to walk or drive home. Suitable for all ages and dogs. Please bring a picnic. SAS youngsters and their families are encouraged to come.

## **Tuesday Afternoon Group – April 10<sup>th</sup> at 2pm**

This month: Tabletalk with Rev'd Sally Goodson. All are welcome. For more information please speak with Jenny Evans.

## **St Mary's Big Spring Clean - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April to Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April**

It is that time of year again when I ask for as much help as you are able to give to make the church clean and bright for another year. The more helpers there are, the more sociable it is.

From **10am – 4pm** each day, high dusting, walls to be washed, windows cleaned and all the furniture to be polished in the hall and church. All cleaning materials and equipment is supplied, plus coffee and biscuits! Can anyone please lend me a carpet cleaner before the 12<sup>th</sup>? Olive Hayward.

## **St Mary's Church ADCM – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00 am.**

**Note change to previously published date.**

## **TEA, CAKE AND CHAT – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April 3.00-4.30pm**

It's our turn to 'host' this event at All Saints. We need volunteers to help set up, bring cakes, make tea and chat to our guests. If you'd like to help please contact Jill Horn.

Please consider whether any elderly neighbours might like to come to this. If they need a lift please contact Chris Powell who will arrange transport.

## **SAS Youth Group – 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 5-7pm** at All Saints, for a chillout.

Contact Sally Goodson if you need further information (associate.vicar@st.marys.parishofharpندن.org).

## **A Little Lunch – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April @ 12.30pm**

A Little Lunch is held once a month on a Monday and is open to everyone who is over 75 years young and lives alone. Guests are picked up at 12 and brought back home about 2pm after having a two course home cooked meal. If you would like to come along for some great food and company, or know someone that would, please get in touch. For those of you who wish to help, we are looking for drivers and helpers on the day. Please contact Maureen Lamburn.

## **APCM Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 8:00pm at All Saints**

### **Christian Aid Soup Lunch – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018 @ 1.00pm**

Once again we will be holding a soup lunch to raise funds for Christian Aid.

This will be on Saturday 28 April at 1pm. The menu will be homemade soup, bread and cheese, fruit and coffee. Please make a suitable donation for your lunch.

It would be helpful to know if you hope to come so that we have sufficient food for all. There will be a sign-up sheet in the hall from 15<sup>th</sup> April or let Jenny Evans know that you will be attending. Do come and enjoy lunch with your friends and support a good cause.

### **This Month Please Pray For....**

- Tuesday Afternoon group, praying for all who attend, and those who organise the group.
- Our uniformed organisations who meet in our Hall and the scout hut next door, Brownies, Beavers, cubs and scouts, giving thanks for all who give their time and skills as leaders.
- Finn Newton-Smith, who will be baptised on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, his family and godparents.

### **Future Dates**

#### **KINSBOURNE COMMON FETE** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May - 12 noon - 3 pm

We are again running the Fete in conjunction with the 9th Harpenden Scouts with all proceeds going to the car park renovation. Donations needed - raffle prizes, cakes, jewellery, books, toys, bottles (for tombola - alcoholic or non alcoholic), crockery for crockery smash, good quality miscellaneous items for the White Elephant Stall, and plants. Please start bringing donations to church (except cakes!) from Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April - there will be a collection box provided. We also need help on the day to run stalls and also help with setting up and clearing away. If you can help, please contact either Sue Grout or John Holder.

#### **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**Collecting** - As always we are in need of a few more collectors to help with the Christian Aid Week House to House collection. St Mary's is responsible for collecting from the area from Roundwood Lane to the church. Last year we collected £2100 and it would be wonderful if we could improve on that figure.

If you could help with this please speak to Jenny Clark or Jenny Evans or Kevin Featherstone.

**Counting** - As well as collecting we need to count the 'takings' for the whole of Harpenden. This will be done on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May and if you are interested in joining the small team of regulars to help with this please speak to me (Jenny Clark). It is quite a pleasant morning with refreshments provided; all that is required is the ability to concentrate and count money reasonably quickly.

### **Next Month**

**Please send submissions for May's Missive by April 20<sup>th</sup> to [missive@stmarys.parishofharpenden.org](mailto:missive@stmarys.parishofharpenden.org) or speak to Ro Marriott/ Sally Goodson**

## Services in April

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Day**

9.30 am – Sung Eucharist – Rev'd Nick Goulding & Rev'd Sally Goodson

### **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 10.00 am Holy Communion (BCP):**

Rev'd Sally Goodson, followed by coffee

### **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Parish Service at St.Mary's)**

9.30am Sung Eucharist – Rev'd Sally Goodson & Hilary Pask assist

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30 am – Sung Eucharist – Rev'd Sally Goodson (preside & preach)

11.00am – APCM all welcome

4.30 pm – Simply Worship – Jenny Goulding & Rev'd Sally Goodson

### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 am Holy Communion (BCP):**

Rev'd Sally Goodson, followed by coffee

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30 am – Sung Eucharist & Baptism- Rev'd Nick Goulding & Richard Hurst assist

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30am Sung Eucharist – Bishop Stephen Venner & Nina Featherstone assist

### **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 10.00 am Holy Communion by Extension (BCP):**

Jenny Goulding, followed by coffee

### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30am Service of the Word – Rev'd Sally Goodson & Hilary Pask

11.00am said Communion– Rev'd Sally Goodson & Hilary Pask