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**Dear Parishioners and Friends of All Saints, Boyne Hill,**

Last Thursday a group of us from All Saints took the trip to Maidstone (the place that is frequently confused by removal people and delivery vans with Maidenhead) to share in what was a beautiful and thoughtful service for the Licensing of Fr John Ainslie as Priest-in-Charge of St Michael and All Angels, Maidstone.



Right Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin with Fr John

The service was led with charisma by the Bishop of Dover, The Right Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin, in the presence of the Bishop of Richborough, The Right Revd Norman Banks, who preached. The Venerable Andrew Sewell, the Archdeacon of Maidstone, installed Fr John as Priest-in-Charge. It was a wonderful service to be part of for a number of reasons. Bishop Rose, with the support of the deanery of Maidstone it would appear, laid down a clear vision. She desires parishes to share the Christian faith confidently and particularly in the area of growing relationships with children and families. The vision for the Diocese is to double the number of young people in churches but also to build relations with schools. The Diocese also has an amazing ministry to Asylum seekers and refugees which led me to share a conversation with Bishop Rose over our ministry in this area in Maidenhead to people from Iran and other countries.

This leads me to the welcome shared during the service with the wider community as well as the church community. We heard from a Headteacher, a local councillor, a Baptist minister, the Area Dean and Churchwardens warmly welcoming Fr John in his ministry. For his part Fr John showed them that their presence was valued, and, to his credit, Fr John had clearly made every effort to begin building partnerships with these people.

The music and hymns were sung with enthusiasm and in terms of the choir good musical skills. Wonderful hymns had been selected such as *Christ is made the sure foundation*, *Praise, my Soul, the King of heaven*, *Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire* (this hymn always inspires and moves me) and *Love Divine*. The choir sang Elgar's *Ave verum corpus* beautifully.

The sermon was based on a film called *Babette's Feast* about two aging sisters, who devoted their lives to continuing their pastor father's work, serving a remote community on the Danish coast. Babette, a penniless refugee, has been taken in to be the maid. The maid comes into money and spends every penny on cooking a

feast for the dwindling group of believers to celebrate the pastor's memory. The extravagant gift leads to the old believers experiencing grace. The gifts of welcome, hospitality and pastoral care come through and this is at the heart of parish ministry.

This service marked the beginning of Fr John's ministry at Maidstone. It continues remarkably this week of Holy Week with a new priest being able to share the week that is at the heart of the Christian hope. If that were not significant enough on the night of the Easter Vigil when we celebrate light overcoming darkness, goodness overcoming evil and resurrection life overcoming death Fr John will share the Eucharist with the Archbishop of Canterbury who will preach and renew the baptismal promises!

Fr John has a wonderful week ahead of him but for his ministry to flourish, as with all priests, he will need the love and support of his congregation and the wider community and wider church. The signs I believe are good.

On this theme I turn briefly to an article by Madeleine Davies writing in the Church Times and concerned about the shortage of Churchwardens and Treasurers within many parishes across the Church of England. Perhaps pointing to Easter Madeleine uses the analogy of the egg. The church, she believes, has focussed too much upon the clergy, who are the yolk, rich, bright, and colourful. The laity meanwhile who are the whites contain the protein which holds the church together. Many Churchwardens and Treasurers have increasing demands put upon them and of course we could add safeguarding officers to those volunteers that are expected to do so much. We are advised to have deputy wardens to share the load, to gain experience and ask the dioceses and deaneries to poll practical resources to offer the advice needed to run parishes.

All Saints has over the years been blessed with wonderful lay people that have enabled us to sustain the church as a place of worship and mission, to run the finances effectively to make sure we meet the Charity Commissioners challenges and to find the willing missionary people who take on various roles of ministry. The Communion model that I have shared with you which has at its heart Eucharistic worship that enables to gather the people of God together to be fed and nurtured so as to go out into the world to walk in God's light, to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory is I believe the way forward.

As we journey into Eastertide next week, we look forward to our APCM when we will be looking for more people to play their part as baptised members of the Body of Christ to make sure Christ's ministry is sustained into the future.



To conclude I experienced the latest advice on good diabetic diet so that my blood sugars can decrease. No more carbohydrates or potatoes, rice, pasta and bread! Instead, eggs, eggs and more eggs! My recipes last week were scrambled eggs and omelettes. Please note that in both these recipes the yolks and the whites are mixed well together. Perhaps there is a message in the diet that speaks of the hope of the baptised body of Christ flourishing into the future.

*With prayers and every blessing for a Joyful Eastertide.,*

*Fr Jeremy and Monika, The Churchwardens and Members of the Parochial Church Council*

## THIS WEEK

### THE EASTER TRIDUUM

#### Maundy Thursday 28 March



What happened? Jesus held a Last Supper with his disciples, when he washed their feet, asked them to love one another. Following that, he went and prayed until his arrest.

Why is it important? Through receiving Jesus' Body and Blood in Holy Communion, we can join with Jesus in his death and in his new, risen life. As we witness the washing of the feet, we are reminded of the need to love and serve one another.

How can we join in? By coming to the Mass of the Last Supper, witnessing or joining in the washing of the feet and then if we wish, staying to pray in the beauty and silence of the altar of repose, at any time until midnight.

**7.30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper and Gethsemane Watch** Fr Jeremy

**11.50pm Night Prayer**

#### Good Friday 29 March



What happened? Following his arrest and trial by religious and political figures we hear how Jesus died on the Cross.

Why is it important? Jesus died to show that God is involved in all of our lives and takes all the sin and death of the world onto himself. This tells us that Jesus is with us in our own struggles in life even at our death. What appears to be a terrible defeat leads to new life.

The 3.00pm service contains a dramatized reading of the events of Good Friday and a time to reflect on the meaning of the cross.

**10.00am Morning Prayer and the Litany from Common Worship**

**11.00am** An opportunity to join with Christians in the town for a Walk of Witness, starting from Sainsbury's Plaza in Provident Place and finishing at High Street Methodist Church.

**3.00pm The Liturgy of the Day** Fr Jeremy

We focus on the Crucifixion with readings, hymns, reflection, prayers, Veneration of the Cross and communion from the Reserved Sacrament. The service ends at around 4pm. Hot Cross buns will be served at the back of the church.

## Holy Saturday 30 March

What happened? Jesus' body is sealed in the tomb, his disciples experience the Risen Jesus. Why is it important? Jesus' resurrection proves that life has a meaning, that death is not the end and that new and transformed life has been won for us.

How can we join in? At 8pm we will gather in the Parish Centre to hear the readings of salvation history before lighting the fire and then the Easter candle. This is taken into church, and everyone receives a lighted candle. From then on, a wonderful service, the Vigil, unfolds with light, colour and sound, and scent. It is followed by drinks and hospitality to celebrate Easter.

## 8.00pm Easter Ceremonies and First Mass of Easter

## Easter Day 31 March



Alleluia! Christ is Risen, He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!

**10.00am** The Parish Eucharist with Procession during which the Easter Garden is blessed. A festal celebration for all. – Celebrant and preacher – Fr Jeremy

Eastertide lasts for fifty days from Easter Day until Pentecost. As we have kept the forty days of Lent in reflective and penitential mode let us now keep the feast until the coming of the Holy Spirit on the birthday of the Church.

## Tuesday 2 April

2.30pm Tuesday Club in the Parish Centre see 7

## Wednesday 3

### 10.00am Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr Jeremy

11.30am Service at Clara Court Nursing Home

3.45pm Confirmation class on zoom

6.30pm Stewardship meeting in the Birinus Room

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

Your son walked the earth as we do today, and his life, death and resurrection free us to embrace the fulness of life you offer to all that you have made. In his name, we your church, your family, gather to celebrate this day, to encourage one another, to draw close to you – glad to be alive, glad to worship you, glad to sing out: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Creator God, giver of life; Jesus Christ, Lord of Life; Holy Spirit, pulse of life;

We bring you our 'alleluias' and our thanks for the joy, the hope and the wonder of the Resurrection – which we celebrate today.

Lord, at the Supper at Emmaus you accepted the hospitality of the disciples who invited you to stay with them at their home. May we show similar enthusiasm to welcome people into our homes, our churches and our country to those in real need at this time. As we offer such hospitality may we find that we also have been blessed, for we have entertained you unawares.

United and whole, show us the way of peace that is your overwhelming presence. We hold before you the peoples of Ukraine and Russia, Gaza and the Holy Land, every child and every adult. We long for the time when weapons of war are beaten into ploughshares, when nations no longer lift up sword against nation and peace is found.

We remember Jenson & Amelie Kendall, Arabella Wells, Freddie Haden, Logan Le Roux and Abraham Albert on the anniversaries of their Baptisms.

We pray for those in need, we pray for Caleb Curtis-Smith as he recovers from surgery, and we pray for a full and speedy recovery. We continue to pray for Daneille, Christopher, Sylvia Dennison, Gordon Kerrison, Sylvia Telford, Barbara Bannister, Hugh Boulter, Joseph White, Moreiza Serja, Scopas Lado, Margaret Ego, Jim Goff, Gill Deane-Williams, Simon Fullarton, Vera Shaw, Abbas Heidari, Azita Heidari, Arash Rezaei, Elham Nekunam, Doreen Bramble, Doris Winn, Nick Kirk, and Heidi Webb. We pray too for Masouma Hassani, Akram Taj-eddin, Mahmoud Saimi, Abdul-Quadir Taj-e-din and Abolfazl.

May they all know God's loving and healing presence in their lives.

We remember the recently departed and all our departed loved ones whose anniversary of death falls at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Risen Lord Jesus, Mary Magdalen met you in the garden on the morning of your resurrection, so may we meet you today and everyday: Speak to us as you spoke to her; reveal yourself as the living lord; Renew our hope and kindle our joy; and send us to share the good news with others.



## EASTER FLOWER ARRANGING - HELP REQUIRED PLEASE

We shall be arranging the flowers for Easter Day on Holy Saturday 30 March from 9.30am. We should appreciate lots of help please, no previous experience necessary, we will show you what to do. We also need lots of greenery, so if you have access to any, please bring it to the church on Good Friday or early Saturday morning.

*The Flower Team*

## WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY 31 MARCH EASTER DAY

### COLLECT

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

### N T READING Acts 10: 34 - 43

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

### GOSPEL John 20: 1 - 18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' which means Teacher. Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

### MUSIC

Prelude:	Alleluia No 1 Meditation <i>A D Miller</i>
Opening hymn:	205 Jesus Christ is risen today
Gradual hymn:	197 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord
Offertory hymn:	777 Sing of the Lord's goodness
Communion hymn:	155 Unless a grain of wheat shall fall
Closing hymn:	218 Thine be the glory
Postlude:	Maccabeus Festival March <i>A D Miller</i>

**ALL SAINTS ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING WILL BE HELD AT BOYNE HILL CRICKET CLUB, HIGHWAY ROAD, MAIDENHEAD SL6 SAE ON MONDAY 22 APRIL**

**Programme:**

6.30pm bar opens. Fish and Chip Supper served. Must be ordered and paid for in advance. Sign-up sheet now at the back of Church.

7.00pm Meeting of Parishioners to elect two Churchwardens,

7.10 pm APCM with speakers, reports and elections to PCC and other roles.

The guest speaker will be Rev Jo Ellington Chaplain of Altwood School

After the APCM, there will be a short meeting of the newly elected PCC. Open to PCC members.

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for those who wish to register for the APCM

Notices of elections will be issued shortly.

*David Morgan, PCC Secretary*

**IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT ALL SAINTS CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL 2024**

The Church Electoral Roll is being revised in preparation for the APCM on Monday 22 April. If you are not on the Electoral Roll and would like to be, or have moved house, then please let me know. My email address is [sastannett@gmail.com](mailto:sastannett@gmail.com)

*Sue Stannett, Electoral Roll Secretary*

**TUESDAY CLUB 2 APRIL 2.30pm IN THE PARISH CENTRE**

I'm sure many of you will remember the Revd Dr Judith Thomas from her time here at All Saints. She is an excellent speaker who has lived and worked in many countries, so this talk entitled **Japan: Then and Now** should be fascinating. If you've never heard her do come along. Non-members always welcome.

*Jan Moss, Group Leader*

**DOING THE SMALL THINGS WELL**

The great sacrifice at Easter stops us in our tracks as the enormity of what Jesus did for love of us hits us again. But we are commanded to love one another too and that's a sobering challenge in the light of the crucifixion. What has this to do with Eco-Church? Many of us will have given up chocolate for Lent and are looking forward to our first taste of the Easter egg on the shelf! But what of the rest of the year? Are we able to love the farming mums, dads, children and creatures of the Earth enough to only buy Fair Trade, organic or Rainforest Alliance chocolate from now until next Easter? Yes it means we can maybe only afford a couple of bars a month instead of a couple of bars a week, and maybe too we have to forgo our favourite chocolate ginger biscuits. But our small sacrifice will reduce poverty, sickness, soil degradation and habitat destruction - a challenge to love those whom we may never see, but are known and loved by God.

*Happy Easter from Your Eco-Church committee*



**2024 CHRIST CHILD MARKET SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER**

We are delighted to tell you that we will be holding the Christ Child Market on Saturday 30 November this year – a change from the previous Sunday event.

Please put the date in your diaries or calendars and look out for more information later in the year on how you can get involved in, or contribute to, this wonderful community event which also helps raise valuable funds for the church.

And do speak to either of us if you would like to find out more about joining the Organising Group.

*Fr Jeremy & Stella Harding*

**THE MARLOW PLAYERS PRESENT THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST**

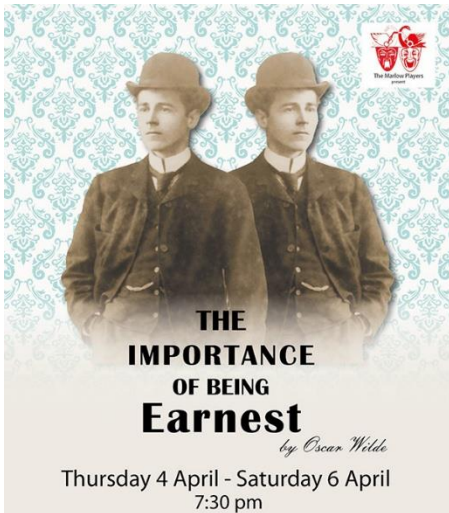
**Thursday 4 – Saturday 6 April 7.30pm at Great Marlow School Hall,  
Bobmore Lane, Marlow SL7 1JE**

Doors open 7.00pm

Tickets: Adults £15 School Students £6

All together now: "A HANDBAG?!!"

Oscar Wilde's final play and a sparkling masterpiece of witty repartee and ironic satire on the hypocrisy and superficiality of social manners in England in the 1890s. Jack Worthing, the baby in the handbag, Miss Prism, the governess and Dr Chasuble a High Churchman are swept aside by Lady Bracknell, in search of a wealthy son-in-law, a part hungered for by every actress (and some actors) since the unforgettable Dame Edith Evans whose horrified scream of "A Handbag?!!" made this the most recognisable line in any play after "to be or not to be". A great chance, to see this live, not to be missed!



To access the Box Office press Ctrl and click mouse using this link [Box Office](#)

*Andrew Stafford*

**PARISH VISIT TO KEBLE COLLEGE, OXFORD ON SUNDAY 12 MAY 2024**



Following the successful parish visit to Keble College, Oxford last year we would like to offer another opportunity for members of the congregation to visit the College, which was founded by John Keble, a leading member of the Oxford Movement which revived the Anglo-Catholic tradition within the Church of England in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

We hope to arrange a minibus to leave early in the afternoon of Sunday 12 May. Following feedback from the last visit we will stay within the College for the tour and historical and architectural talk, followed by afternoon tea and evensong in the College chapel. We

anticipate the cost of the minibus to be between £12 and £15 per person, depending on interest. There will be an additional cost for afternoon tea.

To register your interest in joining the visit, please add your name to the list at the back of the church or contact me [greghurst@btinternet.com](mailto:greghurst@btinternet.com)

*Greg Hurst*





## YOGA COMING SOON TO THE PARISH CENTRE ON TUESDAYS

10.00am – 11.00am STARTING 7 MAY

Hatha Yoga suitable for all levels. Beginners welcome.

Traditional and authentic yoga taught by a senior level Yoga Alliance accredited teacher Karen Harvey, who is also a new member of our congregation.

Posture by posture you will be guided into the correct alignment and depth for your body, adaptations are available for all postures with regards to injuries or constraints which might affect your ability in postures. Suggested amount £10 but if this leaves you without, please put in your own amount.

For more details please contact Karen 07717 748 927 or [karenharveyyoga@hotmail.com](mailto:karenharveyyoga@hotmail.com)



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