

THIS WEEK - DIARY DATES

Morning Prayer: Monday – Thursday 9.15am

Wednesday 15th March February 2017 – 11am Eucharist

Wednesday 15th March Photography Exhibition in Hall (See notices).

Saturday 18th March 11am-1.00pm Activity Morning

Free fun activities for children aged 4-10. All welcome.

Saturday 18th 7pm March East Herts Youth Concert

7.30pm £8 Adults £5 children. Interval refreshments available.

Lent Groups:

Monday 8.00pm 115 High Oak Road.

Tuesday 8.00pm 43 New Road

Thursday 11.00am Choir Vestry

Friday 2.00pm Choir Vestry

Sunday 19th March 2017

8am Eucharist (said)

10am Eucharist (sung)

6.30pm Lent Service.

Readings: Exodus 17.1-7; Romans 5. 1-11;
John 4.5-42: *(RCL Pg 113)*

On duty on the 19th March 2017

Creche: Bonnie.

Childrens Church: Tina.

Welcomers: Gillian B, John B.

Sidesmen: Mary M, Ian L.

Readers: Anne C, Roger H.

Servers: Derek D, Pete W, Séan.

Intercessor: David P.

Lay Administration: Colin M, Kath K, Michael W, Pete W.

Coffee: David H, Liz H.

NOTICES.

Sunday Evenings in Lent: There will be a service each Sunday in Lent. A variety of worship will be offered led by a variety of people.

Which direction? Sunday 12th March 3.00-6.00pm

An invitation to explore the different directions God's call might take us. During the afternoon there will be an opportunity to reflect on our calling as members of the Body of Christ, and to begin to think about whether God might be calling you to a particular pathway or task in ministry. The afternoon will include Bible study, discussion, information, conversation and tea and cake. You may wish to stay for the evening service led by a reader in training from this deanery.

Wednesday 15th March Photography Exhibition

You may have noticed or met Lexi, who has been photographing St. Mary's for her college course. She would like to share what she has seen and will host a small exhibition in the hall on Wednesday, so pop in any time between 11.30am and 7.30pm to see St. Mary's through Lexi's eyes.

Easter & Greeting Cards for Sale 19th March.

Maureen will be selling cards in the hall after 10am service.

Monday 20th March Community Lunch 12.30pm

Please sign list at back of church if you are intending to come.

Lent Lunch Sunday 26th March in support of USPG

Sunday 21st May 2017 Invitation to Tea & Evensong

By Trinity College. Please sign sheet if you are interested in coming, as we would like to book a coach.

Become a Steward at Ware Museum.

Please see notice board or speak to Derek Day.

Parish Handbook Update 2017

The **Draft** Parish Handbook is now available. Please check your details and if any amendment is required please advise Lynn.

Church of St Mary the Virgin, Ware

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WELCOME

Sunday 12th March 2017 Second Sunday of Lent

Welcome to St. Mary's this morning. If you are visiting or here for the first time we hope you feel at home, and please do make yourself known. Please make use of the creche corner if this is helpful. When we come to share communion please join everyone in coming forward to receive the bread and wine if that is what you usually do, or come for a prayer of blessing. Refreshments are served in the hall after the service.

Today's Services.

8am Eucharist (said)

10am Eucharist (sung)

2.00pm Baptism: Angel Rose Fordham

Ellie Jo Fordham, Daisy May Fordham.

6.30pm Lent Service

Readings :

Genesis 12. 1-4a;

Romans 4. 1-5; 13-17;

John 3. 1-17: *(RCL Pg 109)*

For your prayers.

The World Church: Maseno South (Kenya): Francis Abiero.

The Diocese: Kempston (Bedford).

Living God's Love: Transforming Communities: Those who support the homeless.

The Parish: PCC members and Church Officers.

The Deanery: Stanstead Abbots.

All who live in: Princes Street and Priory Street.

Please remember those on our prayer board and for those that mourn, together with the souls of those who anniversaries fall at this time.

All are welcome to add a name to the Prayer Board by the Lady Chapel. To add a name to the Remembrance List of those who have died, please contact the Parish Office.

On duty today – 10am

Creche: Kathy P, Liz F.

Childrens Church: Celia T.

Welcomers: Michael W.

Sidesmen: Alan E, Mary B.

Readers: Mat W, Mike W.

Servers: Tim C, Anne C, Mike F.

Intercessor: Bonnie.

Lay Administration: Mike F, Zara, Kathy P, Martin D.

Coffee: Ann S, Georgina.

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