

THE PARISH OF ST LAURENCE-IN-THANET  
Five Churches united in Christ

## Pew News

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022



*Should you have a gluten allergy and wish to receive communion please let one of the sides people know at least 10 minutes before the service starts so that a gluten free wafer may be provided.*

The 10:00am service at St Laurence Church will also be live streamed by Rev Brian Griffiths.

Please join the St Laurence-in-Th Janet Facebook Group to participate.

### READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4-14, John 12:1-8

### THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"We are tempted to use God when we ought to be used by God."

Sherman S. Robinson

### PEOPLE FOR PRAYER

#### Those in need who have asked for our prayers:

Pam, Vera, Shelley, Fuchsia, Makayla, Frank, Christine, Sheila, Brenda, Val, John, Penny, Peter, Roy, Andy, Margaret, John, David, Pat, Rosanagh, Andy, Steve, Valerie, Mal, Paul, Dennison, Vic, Adam, Orla, John, Margaret, Eileen *and those who are known personally to you*

#### Recently Deceased:

Dawn Winskill

Jean Epps

Juliette Sutton

## Communication link - What's on this week

**MORNING & EVENING PRAYER** continue to be live-streamed on a daily basis. Morning Prayer is at 8:00am & Evening Prayer is at 7:00pm. These remain available on the Parish of St Laurence Facebook Group page for you to view at any time.

### TODAY

<b>11:30</b>	<b>St Laurence Annual Church Meeting</b>	<b>St Laurence</b>
<b>16:00</b>	<b>St Mark Annual Church Meeting</b>	<b>St Mark</b>

### MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup>

14:00-16:00	Thanet Cancer Help Group	Lounge – St Mark
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### TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup>

10:00-11:30	Footprints	Parish Hall – St Laurence
10:30-12:00	Belleplates	Lounge – St Mark
19:00-21:00	Bell Ringing Practice	Tower – St Laurence
19:45	St Mark Home Group	(contact 01843 583103)

### WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup>

10:00-12:00	Friends of St Laurence Churchyard	Churchyard – St Laurence
10:00-12:00	Knit, Craft & Natter	Lounge – St Mark
18:15-19:30	Northwood Singers	St Mark
19:00	St Mark Home Group	(contact <a href="mailto:peterene@tiscali.co.uk">peterene@tiscali.co.uk</a> )
19:00-20:00	Keep Fit	Hall – St Mark

### THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup>

11:00-12:15	Funeral for Evelyn Hewitt	St. Laurence
14:30-16:00	Thursday Fellowship	Lounge – St Mark

### FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup>

11:00-12:00	Prayer Group	Lounge - St Mark
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### SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup>

10:00-12:00	Beginners and Learners Bell Practice	St Laurence
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## NOTICES AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**ST MARK'S GARDENING TEAM:** A gardening group is growing at St Mark! We plan to spend Wednesday mornings gardening and caring for St Mark's Church and grounds. If you would be interested, please speak to Phil or Frances Barnes!

**APRIL'S MOST WANTED FOOD BANK ITEMS:** pasta, tinned soup, baked beans, tinned or packet potatoes, tinned fish. Thank you for your generosity and continued support; it really is appreciated and still so needed.

## **ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS:**

**Today** St Laurence @ 11:30am, St Mark @ 4pm

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April – St Catherine @ 11:30am, St Mary @ 11:30am

To be on your Local Leadership Team (LLT) you need to be on the electoral roll of the church you usually attend.

The **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)** at which the two Parochial Wardens are elected and the two PCC representatives from each church approved will be on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 4pm in St Laurence Parish Hall.

If you would like to have a say in what our “new normal” will be, please make sure you attend the meetings so that your voice can be heard!

**There will be NO evening service at St Mark today due to the above.**

**KNIT, CRAFT & NATTER** will start at St Mark's on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 10-12. All are welcome! A charge of 50p will be made to cover costs. Speak to Frances Barnes for more info!

**GOOD FRIDAY OPEN AIR WITNESS:** On Good Friday (April 15<sup>th</sup>), there will be an open-air witness at 12 noon in Ramsgate Town Centre. Meet outside Hardres Street United Church at 11:45 for a walk following the cross, followed by a series of prayer, readings and hymns at noon. After the service, we will distribute hot cross buns bearing an Easter message to those in the market. For more information, please contact Carl Whitewood ([carl.whitewood@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:carl.whitewood@salvationarmy.org.uk))

**CRAFT FAYRE AND FAMILY FUNDAY:** Come to St Mark's on Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 until 4:00pm for a day of fun for all the family, including an Easter egg hunt, craft stalls and activities and games.

**A SAFEGUARDING MODULE** will be given by Kevin Spain at St Mark on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April from 10am, for approximately three and a half hours. If you are in need of refreshing your safeguarding training, please email the Parish Office for more information and booking. ([office@stlaurenceparish-ramsgate.org.uk](mailto:office@stlaurenceparish-ramsgate.org.uk))

**TRASH AND TREASURE:** The Friends of St Nicholas at Wade Church invite you to Trash and Treasure on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, from 10-1 at St Nicholas at Wade Church. Join us in the church where someone else's trash might be your very own treasure! Tea, coffee and cake will be available too.

**SAVE THE DATES:** St Catherine's May Music Extravaganza! Every Friday evening in May, from 7pm – 9pm, St Catherine's will be hosting musicians for an evening of music and fun. Watch this space for more details and artist information as they are announced! The first Music Extravaganza evening will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

**WANTED: OLD NEWSPAPERS!** Any type, needed for GCSE sculpture project. If you have any, please bring to the Parish Office by the middle of May. Thank you!

**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:** Can you spare a morning a week to help in the St Laurence Parish Office? Volunteers are needed to assist Jess with a range of administrative duties. Full training will be given if required. For more information please contact Jess on 01843 592478 or email [office@stlaurenceparish-ramsgate.org.uk](mailto:office@stlaurenceparish-ramsgate.org.uk)

**SAVE THE DATE:** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Parish Jubilee Celebrations

## **WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY**

**April 10<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday**

Readings: Luke 19:28-40, Philippians 2:5-11, Luke 23:1-49

**The 10:00am service at St Laurence Church will be live streamed by**

**Rev Andrew Jacobson via Facebook**

### **St Laurence, St Lawrence**

10:00 All Age Communion Rev Andrew Jacobson

### **St Catherine, Manston**

10:00 Communion Rev Brian Griffiths

### **St Christopher, Newington** Shared service at St Mark

### **St Mark, Northwood**

10:00 Communion Rev Ken Cox  
18:30 Evening Worship Christine Martin  
(Psalm 69:1-4,19-21, Isaiah 5:1-7, Luke 20:9-19)

### **St Mary, Cliffsend**

10:00 Service of the Word John Vinson

**If you would like to wear a face covering or mask for your own comfort, you are more than welcome to do so.**

## **PARISH OFFICE**

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Usual Parish Office opening hours: Monday, Thursday and Friday from 09:00-11:00.  
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