

**ST. FRANCIS PARISH CHURCH,
WESTBOROUGH**

Sunday 21st May 2017 at 10 am

6th Sunday of Easter

A warm welcome to all joining us for our service today.

Readings:

Psalm 66 v.7 to end p.581

1 Peter 3 v.13 to end p.1219

John 14 v.15 to end p.1082

Collect:

*Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.*

*Please feel free to use the toys and books in the back room if your tiny one
needs distraction during the service.*

Please join us for refreshments and a chat after the service.

***A big 'thank you' from Brenda to all who made donations in John's
memory.***

The totals raised were amazing:-

£206 for the Dog's Trust

£646 for the Eye Dept. at the Royal Surrey.

***I have received a very appreciative letter from a consultant at the Eye
Dept., thanking everyone for such a generous gift.***

BOOK GROUP We had a lively and interesting evening discussing the *Five People You meet in Heaven* - it gained a high score from the group. Our next book is *The Sunrise* by Victoria Hislop and our next meeting is July 12th at 10 Weston Road. All welcome.

There will be a concert, given by the vocal ensemble Lyra, from St Petersburg in Russia, on the 2nd June pre-concert drinks at 7pm and the concert starts at 7.30pm. Tickets £12 available on the door or call Eike on 07764 785 600

What does the church of the future look like?

I would like to take a group from St Francis on this training Day, on 10th of June

How do we build mission- and Jesus-centred worshipping communities that are constantly adapting to their context, enabling people to discover and follow Jesus together?

‘In Context’ will explore such questions and we will hear about:

- What a new worshipping community might look like
- How to begin – even if you haven’t got a clue!
- What help is available
- Pioneers’ experiences

This will be an excellent opportunity to glean missional expertise from experienced pioneering practitioners like Bishop Andrew and Dave Male.

This is not just for those planning to start a new church but for anyone who wants to reach people in their local context.

Please speak to me if you would like to attend,

Stefanie

Dates for May

26th Election Hustings 7.30pm URC Church Guildford

27th Community Shop – 11am in the Hall.

June

2nd Lyra concert in the church 7pm for 7.30pm

3rd Men’s Breakfast 8.45am in the hall

12th Community Lunch 1pm in the hall

19th Women’s Fellowship 2.30pm in the hall

Prayer groups meet on each Tuesday 9-9.30am and each Wednesday 7-7.30 pm in the Church.

Mum’s coffee morning each Wednesday morning at 9.30a.m.

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