Dates for your Diary:



March

Men's Breakfast	Saturday 3 rd March 8.45am
Lunch Club	Monday 12 th March 1pm
St Francis Fellowship	Monday 19 th March2.30pm
Community Shop	Saturday 24 th March 11am – 1pm
Palm Sunday	25 th March
Children's Easter Fun	Monday – Thursday 26 th – 29 th March
Maundy Thursday	Seder Meal 7.00pm
Good Friday	Walk of Witness 10.00am
	Stations of the Cross 2.00-3.00pm

April

Easter Sunday

1st April

Contact details:

Rector – Revd. Stefanie Hodges – Tel 504228 Curate – Revd. Diane Peters – Tel 532796 Newsletter - Sallie Garrood - Tel 504839 or email sallie.garrood@gmail.com or admin@stfrancisstclareguildford.org.uk by Wednesday 9am please Hall manager/lettings - Val Holt - Tel 852764 Safeguarding for St Francis - Eike Ndiweni-Muller, 07764 785600 or Eike.ndiweni@gmail.com Stewardship – Mike Hammond - Tel 562661 email m hammond@talk21.com

ST. FRANCIS PARISH CHURCH, WESTBOROUGH

Notice sheet for Sunday 25th February 2018

A very warm welcome to everyone joining us for our Communion Service this morning. Please do join us in the hall after the service for a cup coffee and a chat.

Collect for the First Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, By the prayer and discipline of Lent May we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings And by following His Way may we come to share in His glory; Through Jesus Christ our Lord

Readings

Genesis 17: 1-7	Page 17
Romans 4: 13-end	Page 1131
Mark 8: 31-end	Page 1011

Please pray for:

- All in authority and especially for Bishop Andrew and for our new Arch Deacon, Paul
- For Maureen, Pat and Doris, for Sally and all her family and for all those who are unwell at this time. Please remember to put the names of those you pray for on the prayer tree, they will also be prayed for during morning office
- For the leaders of the Pre-School and for the children in their care
- For plans in preparation for an Easter four day fun event for children to ٠ be held from 26th – 29th March from 9.30 – 11.30 aimed mainly, but not exclusively, at children of pre-school age
- For all going through difficult times; may they find support and encouragement from God's Word and the kindness of people around them. Give thanks for the fellowship and support that we have together as part of the St Francis family - Psalm 16:8, Psalm 55:22, Isaiah 41:10

Notices

Also at the back of the church there are cards For Sale for all occasions

Consent Forms

Due to new safeguarding legislation we need to update all our records. Please could you collect a form from one of the Sides people and fill it in before you leave today. Thank you to all who have managed to complete on thus far.



Lent Courses

These are taking place every Tuesday, at 2pm and Wednesday evening 7.30pm at the Rectory. The course is based on the film 'Chocolat'. Everyone welcome!

Confirmation course

Stefanie will be holding a short course leading towards Confirmation in the summer. Everyone is welcome to join the group whether or not you wish to be confirmed or would just like a refresher. The course starts in April.



Sunday Lunch – today! Fed up with cooking Sunday lunch? Come and join us for Sunday Lunch at Badshot Lea.

Don't forget

Your used stamps can be put to good use raising funds for the Leprosy Mission – box at the back of the church.

Thanks

- All who supported the Quiz night last week, great evening with ages raging from 4yrs 95yrs. Congratulations to the winning team {The 2 Brendas and the rest} which just happened to be the smallest team!! Thank you particularly to Dawn for organising it for persuading Johnathon, Craig and Laura to run it again. 'Great team' Also thanks go to Angela, Mollie and Tracey for selling the raffle tickets and Dougie setting up the hall. The evening raised £301 for church funds.
- Thomas would like to thank everyone who bought cakes from his 'cake sale' after last weeks service. The money raised will be going towards the University of Surreys musical theatre Society production of 'The Wedding Singer' details of the performance which Thomas is in, will be published soon.
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- This years Christingle service raised £110 for the 'Children's Society'. Well done and let us continue to pray for this excellent charity, that helps the most vulnerable children. Thank you Mike E for organising it again this year.
- Delighted to inform you that the New Arch Deacon Paul Davies will be Joining our service on the 18th March. Let us give him a great welcome as is our reputation.

FORTHCOMING EVENT! Wednesday 7th March

Want a day of Refreshment and Encouragement, at the beautiful Waverly Abbey.

What does it look like to be a woman of God?

£25.00 for the day includes lunch and refreshments throughout the day. Please speak to Stefanie if you would like to come