

Dates for your Diary:

August

Community Shop Saturday 25th 11am-1pm

September

Men's Breakfast Saturday 1st September 8.45am

Back to Church Sunday Sunday 9th September **

Holy Communion Monday 10th September 12.00pm

Lunch Club Monday 10th September 1.00pm

Harvest Festival Sunday 16th September 10.00am * *

St Francis Fellowship Monday 17th September 2.30pm

Community Shop Saturday 29th September 11am – 1pm

October

Men's Breakfast Saturday 6th October 8.45am

St Francis Weekend Saturday & Sunday 6^{7th} October **

Holy Communion Monday 8th October 12.00pm

Lunch Club Monday 8th October 1.00pm

St Francis Fellowship Monday 15th October 2.30pm

Community Shop Saturday 27th October 11am – 1pm

** More details to follow

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ST. FRANCIS PARISH CHURCH, WESTBOROUGH

Notice sheet for Sunday 19th August 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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

God of constant mercy,
Who sent Your Son to save us:
Remind us of Your goodness,
Increase Your grace within us,
That our thankfulness may grow,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord

Readings

1 Kings 2: 10-12 & 3: 3-14 Page 336
Proverbs 9: 1-6 Page 642
Ephesians 5: 15-20 Page 1176
John 6: 51-58 Page 1071

Please pray:

- Mary and Bob, Inge Bell and Ernie Marshall (from St Clares)

 for God's healing and peace, praying also for those who take care of family, friends and neighbours who are unwell, elderly or vulnerable.
- For Archdeacon Paul and Bishop Andrew
- For our member of Parliament Anne Milton, as she carries out a difficult job, and makes difficult decisions, Pray that the Lord will uphold her in her Christian Faith and keep her strong and faithful to her calling in a difficult field.
- For the Christians among us who work in secular workplaces. May the Lord's Holy Spirit keep them strong as witnesses of His Love and Grace.
- Pray for the future ministry of St Francis Church and for our outreach to the parish
- For Sarah Bennett as she prepares to train later this year to become a Pastoral Assistant.

 For all families with young children in the long summer holidays that the break will be safe and enjoyable for parents, grandparents, carers and children



True or false...?

Unbiblical Statements

Sayings claimed to be from the Bible, but are actually unbiblical.

4. Cleanliness is next to Godliness.

The people around you may appreciate you staying clean, but this is not Scripture. Parents may use this unbiblical statement to motivate their kids to clean their rooms. However, I'd suggest using an actual biblical statement: "Honour your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you" (Exodus 20:12).

5. God won't give you more than you can handle.

Actually, all of life is more than we can handle. The point of <u>living in a fallen</u> world is not for us to try really hard to carry our heavy burden, but rather give-up, quit and surrender to God, that's what faith is all about. Everything is more than I can handle, but not more than Jesus can handle: "For we do not want you to be unaware, brothers, of the affliction we experienced in Asia. For we were so utterly burdened beyond our strength that we despaired of life itself" (2 Corinthians 1:8). "Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28).

6. Bad things happen to good people.

Often we place ourselves in the judgment seat of what is good and bad, or who is good and bad. The most popular way to make that judgment is by comparison. For example, Bob is a good guy, because he is not as bad as Sam. However, according to the Bible, we're all on equal ground because none of us is inherently good: "As it is written: 'None is righteous, no, not one'" (Romans 3:10).

Notices



Chicken Foot

A request for a Chicken Foot evening has been made!

It will be held on Saturday 2nd of September at 7.30pm
Please invite, friends, family and neighbours – a perfect opportunity to 'invite the new students who have moved in next door'
£8.00 which will include a Chicken & Chip supper.
Sign up sheet at the back of the church.

Ride & Stride – 8th September 2018

Ride and Stride raises money for the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust and for the churches of the participants. Cyclists and walkers are sponsored to visit as many churches as they can within a set time. One of the churches visited will be St Francis and we will need to have people here to welcome

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We can only play our part if people can help by organising refreshments, welcoming etc. Please volunteer and sign up at the back of the church.

It would be lovely to see you at our Morning Prayer on Monday and Tuesday mornings from 9am.

We pray for God's wisdom and guidance for our future, for those who are unwell amongst us, any issue that may be current at the time and anything God may place on our minds. **Please do join us!**