

St Martin of Tours

Epsom

St Stephen on the Downs

Langley Vale

Registered Charity Number: 1134149

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY May 29th and SUNDAY 5th June 2022

THE VICAR WRITES



Dear Friends,

Christ goes up, the Spirit comes down! A somewhat crude summary of Ascension and Pentecost, but those are the events we mark in our calendar this Sunday and next. What meaning have either for you? The Church believes it means we have a saviour who shared the human experience of life, rebuilt the bridge to God, and made way for the Holy Spirit to dwell in God's people – to inspire us, equip us as agents of the Kingdom, and gift us in our mission and ministry.

Nick

THIS FORTNIGHT

Sunday 29th May Easter 7

9.30am – Holy Communion at St Stephen's

**10.00am – Sung Communion with Baptism at St Martin's,
in church and live streamed**

3.00pm – Jubilee tea at the Vicarage

NO 6.30 SERVICE TODAY

Wednesday 1st June

10.00am – Holy Communion

Music@StMartin's SUMMER RECITALS 2022

SATURDAY 4 JUNE AT 4.30PM

Don't miss this opportunity to hear the highly talented violinist Emmanuel Bach play an exciting programme of Austrian and Russian music accompanied by pianist Jenny Stern.

Schubert Sonata in A major, 'Grand Duo', D. 574, Op. post. 162
Prokofiev Sonata No.2 in D major, Op.94b Tchaikovsky Valse-Scherzo, Op.34

<https://www.emmanuelbachviolinist.com/about-emmanuel>

<https://www.facebook.com/emmanuelbachviolin/>

NEXT SUNDAY 5th June Pentecost

- 9.30am – Morning Prayer at St Stephen's
- 10.00am – Sung Communion at St Martin's,
in church and live streamed
- 6.30pm – Celtic Evening Prayer at St Martin's



Tuesday 7th June

- 11.00am – Contemplative Prayer
- 4.00pm – Centering Prayer

Wednesday 8th June

- 10.00am – Holy Communion
- 7.30pm – PCC meeting at Church House

Saturday 11th June

12.00pm - 4.00pm SUMMER FAIR



Thank You

Thank you to everybody who bought plants, marmalade and those who came to the coffee morning. We have raised £520.00 for the dishwasher. **Maureen Suatt**

Contemplative Prayer Group – Tuesday 7th June 11am

The Group meets next in Church for an hour or so of led contemplation and listening prayer. The 'saying' from John which will be our starting point will be: *The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things* (John 14.26) - this will fit so well into the week following the Feast of Pentecost. All will be very welcome.

Calling all Cake Bakers – Saturday 11th June

Please remember to help us fill the cake stall at the Summer Fayre with your delicious cakes, plain or decorated, big or small! Your cakes are always fantastic and very popular. I can collect if needed or please bring to the stall on the day. Jane Norris - 01372 722493. **Jane Norris**

Sunday 12th June 6.30pm

I will be celebrating the 60th anniversary of my Ordination as Priest on Trinity Sunday, 12th June, with a Festival Choral Evensong at 6.30 pm followed by tea and cake. The preacher is Christopher Herbert, Assistant Bishop in this Diocese, who used to be my Bishop in the St Albans Diocese. It will be a feast of music - and three glorious hymns! All welcome! **Adrian Esdaile**

Tuesday drop-ins at St Martin's

I won't be available on Tuesday 7th June. **Mary Gilbert**

Memorial Garden Lawn.

Now that the intrusions have gone, we have had to do more top dressing. So, when you are visiting, please walk on the edges until the bald bits are restored. Thank you. **Jean Wright**

Eco Fair – Saturday 24th September

After the positive comments from last year, St Martin's will be hosting another Eco Fair, with Sustainable Epsom and Ewell, on 24th September 2022. More details nearer the time.... And if you have any sustainable initiatives you'd like to present on a stall or through an activity, do get in touch!

Helen Williams

MISSION FOR THE MONTH – June

Mercy Ships

Please do have a look at the June posters for Mercy Ships on the noticeboard at the back of St Martin's Church. We hope to have some new stories of interest. St Martin's Church has been giving ongoing sponsorship support for several years. Mercy Ships usually have vacancies for short term work in various skills and they are endeavouring to staff two ships as the new ship comes into service.

Peter White

Home mission



Church Mission Society believes that all of God's people are called to God's mission. St Martin's support our UK based Mission Link Partner, Andrea Campanale, who is part of a network of pioneers helping to

renew the church working with spiritual people rather than religious. CMS want to help communities of Christians to act like Jesus with one another and with their neighbours.

Meg Topley

STEWARDSHIP

Giving to St Martin's and St Stephen on the Downs

For general and stewardship giving you can give online via the Charities Aid Foundation. Donations can be either a one-off donation or a regular donation using direct debit. To make a donation Click on <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/13377>

There is also a "Donate" button on our website.

Cheques to St Martin's

If giving a cheque donation to St Martin's Church, please can it be payable to:

'The PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Epsom'

Donation Station

If you wish to give via contactless payment, please use the donation station in church. You can give a pre-set amount or choose one. You can also gift aid your donation.

FOOD BANK

This month has seen a jump in demand, and we fed more than 550 people in April.

We have completely run out of:

Powdered milk

Washing-up liquid

Sweets and treats for children (freddo, buttons, mini cookies, hairdo etc.)

Chocolate treats for adults

Instant mash

Honey

Peanut butter

Long-life sponge puddings

Pump soap

Washing powder, pods & tablets (bio & non-bio)

We urgently need:

Packet soup

Tinned fish

Tinned fruit

Coffee Sugar (500g) Meat pies

Powdered milk

Long-life sponge puddings

Biscuits

Tinned vegetables

Squash

Long-life UHT milk (semi-skimmed and full fat only)

Long-life fruit juice

Spaghetti in sauce

Pasta sauce

Shaving foam

Deodorant - all kinds

Shampoo & conditioner Adult toothbrushes

Please no more of these items as we are fully stocked: Pulses, pasta, rice, beans.

Booking a supermarket delivery? Let us know when to expect it. You can donate at the usual supermarket points, or bring donations to our car park (please wear a mask).

Epsom & Ewell Foodbank, Generation Resource Centre, (Behind West Ewell Primary School), Ruxley Lane, Ewell KT19 0JG

Donation drop off times: Monday to Friday 9am – 2pm. We are closed on Bank Holidays.

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Opening hours are

9.30am to 12.30pm

Please contact clergy and lay ministers via the office



SUMMER FAYRE

Saturday 11th June – 12 noon – 4.00pm

Plans are well underway for our Summer Fayre, which will go ahead whatever the weather! To make this event a success we need your help.

Firstly we need items to sell, in particular:

- Plants – please keep until the week before the fayre and then bring to church
- Cakes – please let Jane Norris know if you can supply
- Games and Jigsaws (complete)
- Red, White and Blue items (new, unwanted presents etc. NO bric a brac please)
- Wine bottles – full of wine!

Any items can be brought to church as soon as possible.

Secondly we need helpers – please let us know if you are able to run a stall, help out on a stall for a short period etc. Without your help there can be no Fayre.

Fancy Dress Parade – advance notice we will be running a children's Fancy Dress Parade (judging at 1.00 pm) with the theme "Kings and Queens".

Thank you, in advance, for your support for this event.

Events Team

Alyson Aronson, Nancy Bluett, Mary Holloway-Neville and Cathy Morris