



St Mary's
Bures

Church News

Sunday

12th March 2017

Today's Services – Lent 2

- 8:00 Holy Communion (BCP), Bures: *Steve Morley and Andrew Clifft*
10.30 Breakfast Service, Bures: *Sue and Murray Emerson*
(Breakfast from 10am)
10.30 Holy Communion, Assington: *Mary Cantecuzene*
10.30 Morning Prayer (with Baptism), Little Cornard: *Steve & Andrew*

Next Sunday's Services – Lent 3

- 8:00 Holy Communion (BCP), Bures: *Steve Morley*
10.30 Holy Communion, (with Baptism), Bures: *Steve Morley*
10.30 Morning Prayer, Assington: *Andrew Clifft*
10.30 Holy Communion (CW), Little Cornard: *Viv Brooks*

What's happening this week (see notices)

Tonight	6pm	Youth Group trip to Earl's Colne Youth Service
Wed	9.15	Prayers in the South Porch, Bures
	10.00	Informal Service of Morning Prayer, Bures
	10.30	'Open Door' Drop-in café, Bures
Fri	9.00	Morning Prayer, Little Cornard
	12-2pm	Friday Lunch Club
Sat	10-2.30pm	Darby and Joan Annual Sale, St Mary's, Bures

Welcome ***We are glad you are here.*** If this is your first visit, then please complete a welcome card. If you need to know anything at all, please speak to one of our Welcome Team.

For more details of what's on and to view the church calendar see:

www.parishchurch.co.uk



www.facebook.com/Messy-Church-St-Marys-Bures

Coming up the Week

FRIDAY LUNCH CLUB – 12-2pm – Garrad Room, Bures Community Centre. We will be serving tea and coffee from 11am followed by hot lunches in a warm, friendly environment. All welcome. If transport is required, please contact Carol 228417 or Carolyn 228296.

DARBY AND JOAN ANNUAL SALE – Saturday 10am – 2.30pm. Tea, coffee, cake, hot soup, books, bric-a-brac stalls, raffle. Please do come along and help raise funds for this wonderful club.

Coming up this month



STEPPING STONES – Wednesday 22nd - 2pm, St Mary's - Midweek Pre-School group for parents/carers and children under five. 20 minutes of fun, stories and song, followed by refreshments and play.

MOTHERS' UNION – Thursday 23rd – 7.30pm in St Mary's, Bures. Our speaker this month is Christine Ward, the MU Diocesan President, Christine is a very interesting lady and we are very much looking forward to her talk. Visitors are always welcome to Mu meetings, please come along and hear what Christine has to share.



We are holding our annual Mother's Day appeal in order to collect funds for Mothers at home or abroad who are attempting to raise families in the most challenging of circumstance. If you would like to make a contribution, please speak to Sue Ryman or Susan Wolsten-Croft.



MESSY CHURCH – Saturday 25th – 4.00 – 6.00pm – at St Mary's. All ages welcome to join us for crafts, games, stories and song, followed by a cooked meal together for adults and children in a fun, friendly environment. Our theme this month is 'Mothers and Others'. We will also be making individual gifts to take home for mums.

SOLOS ON SUNDAY – Sunday 26th St Mary's – All who would otherwise be 'home alone' are welcome to come along to our bring and share lunch. Please see the sign-up sheet just inside the church door.

Notices

Electoral Roll The annual update of the Electoral roll for St Mary's is now taking place, so if you are not yet on it and would like to be, please contact Sue Ryman as soon as possible before 22nd March.

APCM This year, the Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in St Mary's on Thursday 6th April at 7.30pm.

CHURCHYARD CLEAR UP – Saturday 1st April

St Mary's 9.30 -12.30pm

ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN – Saturday 8th April

St Mary's 9.30 – 12.30pm

All materials provided. Join us for plenty of good company and hearty refreshments. 'May hands make light work'...

POSTCARDS AND STAMPS – These can be converted to cash and make a real difference to those in need in the Middle East and Sudan. Please never throw them away – we are collecting both and you will find collection points at the back of church.

LENT – Many of us have given or taken up things for Lent but if you haven't yet managed to organise anything it's not too late to try the "40 Acts of Kindness Challenge". For each day of Lent there is a different suggestion for something you could do as an act of kindness. For more information, check out www.40acts.org.uk.

CALLING ALL CATERERS – Can you help? St Mary's has a great reputation for providing delicious refreshments for special events e.g. Confirmation Services, Archdeacons visits etc. and we would like to continue to do but need a few additional volunteers. If you would be happy to make the occasional cake or sandwiches (once, maybe twice a year), please contact Sue Ryman (227715) and add your name to the list.

BENEFICE WEEKEND AWAY, LETTON HALL – Fri 19th to Sun 21st May. Why not join us for a wonderful weekend away in beautiful surroundings and enjoy spending time together as a church family?

Letton Hall is in the heart of Norfolk, set in 10 acres of gardens and woodland, with their own go-karting track, adventure play area and elegant meeting rooms.

It is an opportunity to enjoy some teaching, worship, fellowship, prayer and discussion. We can also promise plenty of laughter, delicious food,

fun, games, entertaining conversation and great company.

Alongside the adult sessions, a youth team will be leading a weekend of teaching and fun for our children and youth.

For further details, pick up a brochure from the back of church, download it from the church website or speak to Steve, Angela or Sue Ryman (or indeed anyone who has been before).

We Pray For...

Bures School Governors as they undertake the process of recruiting a new Headteacher. *We ask for the presence of your Holy Spirit to guide and bless those who have the task of making this appointment with wisdom and discernment and that your will may be done in Bures school as in all things; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

The Alpha Course Pray for those attending – that their questions and may be answered effectively and for the leaders – that God will guide and encourage them.

If you know of someone who might like prayer, needs a home visit or is unable to get to church and would like communion in their home, please speak to a member of the clergy or one of the Welcome Team or contact us via the details on the back page of this bulletin.

Loop System: For people who are hard of hearing the church has a 'loop system'. Please adjust your hearing aid to 'T' and if possible sit at least 2 feet away from church walls.

Toilet Facilities: The toilet is located at the back of the church through the doors to the kitchen.

Prayer: After the Service, members of our Prayer Ministry Team are available in the South Porch to pray for you, or with you on behalf of someone else.

Vicar: Rev'd Steve Morley 01787 227407 vicar@parishchurch.co.uk

(Please note Monday is the clergy day off)

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