



St Mary's Bures

Church News

23rd April 2017

Welcome

Today's Services – *Easter 2*

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP), Bures: *Viv Brooks*
- 10.30 Family Communion (CW), Bures: *Mary Cantacuzene*
- 10.30 Communion (CW), Assington: *The Elders*
- 10.30 Holy Communion (CW), Little Cornard: *Viv Brooks*

Next Sunday's Services – *Easter 3*

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP), Bures: *Steve Morley & Andrew Clifft*
- 10.30 Benefice Communion, Assington: *Steve Morley & Andrew Clifft*

What's happening this week (*see notices*)

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| 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 |
| Thur | 2.00 | Stepping Stones |
| | 7.30pm | Mothers' Union |
| Fri | 9.00 | Morning Prayer, Little Cornard |
| | | Visiting bell ringing crew to play quarter peal |
| Sun | 12.30 | Solos on Sunday |

It is good to have you with us today, sharing in our Worship. If you are a visitor, new to the area, or just beginning to attend this Church, we hope you will feel at home, and that you will come again. Please complete a welcome card and if you need to know anything at all, do speak to a member of our welcome team.

Tea or coffee is served at the back of church after the service.

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

www.parishchurch.co.uk



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Coming up this week

STEPPING STONES – Wednesday 26th - 2pm - 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 27th – 7.30pm

SOLOS ON SUNDAY - Sunday 30th - 12.30pm. 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.

Coming up in May

JOINT CHURCH PRAYER MEETING - Wednesday 3rd May - 7.30pm at St Mary's

We meet every other month to pray for our village with members of the Baptist Church. **This month we are going to split up into groups and pray for the village as we walk our streets.** One group will stay in St Mary's Church to pray.

Prayer walking is as simple as it sounds - praying as you walk. When we prayer walk we are stepping into our authority as God's children to bless people and places in Jesus' name. This simple task is a great way to bring transformation to our village by asking God to break in.

The core of prayer walking is conversing with God. We ask him to show us what he sees, to know his heart for our community. We will be seeing and praying, not being seen praying.....

We will meet at 7 and will make a start over mugs of coffee and tea!

This is part of our response to our Archbishops' call to pray Thy Kingdom Come 2017

LETTON HALL

The much-anticipated Benefice weekend away is due to take place next month at Letton Hall in Norfolk from the 19th to the 21st May.

It promises to be another exciting and



enjoyable weekend with lots of fun, good company and delicious food. Our speaker is Matt Thompson and he will be leading us in a series of interesting sessions entitled

It's OK to pray - adventures in who I am...

It's not too late to book - if you are still thinking about it please get in touch with Sue Ryman on 227715. We can assure you of a warm welcome and a thoroughly relaxing few days away.



Notices



Josephine Robinson Thanksgiving Service

At 2pm on the 13th July in St Mary's there will be a Thanksgiving Service for the life of Josephine. All who knew Josephine are warmly invited to join her family in this celebration of her life. Afterwards, refreshments will be served in the Community Centre.

A private family funeral service will be held on Wednesday 26th April at Colchester Crematorium.

Please Pray for Eila, William, their family and friends as they give thanks for Josephine's life and mourn her loss.

We pray for

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 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.

Children: Activities for young children are available in the Tower Room during our 10.30 communion services.

Alcohol Free Wine for Communion: Please inform the minister at the communion rail if you would prefer alcohol free wine.

Prayer: During communion or 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.

Large Print Versions of the Service Sheets and Hymn Books are available. Please speak to one of the sidespeople at the door.

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Notice Sheet items should be sent to office@parishchurch.co.uk