

### FACEMASKS

At present, it is still a requirement to wear facemasks in church. We do have a supply of disposable facemasks (suggested donation of 50p per mask, please) on the Welcome Table but they are not very environmentally friendly so please do try to remember to bring yours with you! Thank you.

### CONFIRMATION

Please speak to the Churchwardens if you, or any of your family, would like to be Confirmed. Classes will be starting in the Deanery next week. Thank you.

Dear Friends,

My last Sunday was an emotional day for me, saying 'goodbye' to Balcombe and also to 39 years of professional Ministry in the Church. It was, however, so good to be able to share time with you all in the Churchyard over Prosecco and superb cake! I was astonished and staggered by the generosity of the congregation and I know I didn't deserve to be so well treated. Charles' words also were very kind and meant so much... hence I had trouble pronouncing the Blessing for the final time! So many cards of good wishes and 'Bon voyage' which were very much appreciated and now adorn my new home. Many people asked for my new address and so it's here for any who may want it;

Woolmarket House, 6 St Nicholas Street, Kings Lynn  
Norfolk PE30 1LY  
e-mail and mobile remain unchanged.

So finally, thank you all for a very happy time spent in Balcombe. I'll think of you often and you'll never be far from my prayers. When we're out of this pandemic and you find yourself in Norfolk.... do call in!

With my love, Fr Keith

**Thank you very much to all those who contributed to Fr Keith's leaving gift. We said farewell after the APCM last Sunday and we were delighted to present a cheque for well over £1000!  
We will miss Fr Keith but look forward to welcoming visiting clergy each Sunday.**

### COVID-19 SAFE REMINDER

- \*PLEASE SANITISE YOUR HANDS ON ENTERING & LEAVING
- \*WEAR A FACEMASK
- \*SOCIALLY DISTANCE AT ALL TIMES UNLESS YOU ARE IN A HOUSEHOLD GROUP
- THANK YOU.

# St Mary's Church, Balcombe Grapevine

SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021

## Weekly Diary

*We welcome Revd Peter Irwin-Clark  
at 8am and Revd Canon John Twisleton at 10am*

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b>
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b>
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>

### PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

**All those who live in** Barn Meadow, Boundary Road (Red Road) and Bramble Hill.

**All those who are sick, the departed, our own departed loved ones and those whose anniversaries occur during the week.**

### SUPPORTING ST MARY'S

Please help us support our chosen charities, maintain our lovely church and continue all that we do by giving either by direct transfer (bank account details from [balcombe.stmarys@gmail.com](mailto:balcombe.stmarys@gmail.com)), by scanning the QR code below or using our new card-reader which is situated on the Welcome Table. It is easy to use, but please ask if you would like some help. Please also continue to give cash if you prefer this method. Thank you!

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1. Hold your phone so that the QR code appears in the viewfinder and you see a notification with a link to the 'dc.thygs.net' page
2. Don't take a picture but click on the notification on your screen which will take you directly to our giving page.

If this does not work, you may find a QR code reader in your phone settings or you may have an app on your Phone.

