



ACTION St. Mary's

Supporting the Heart and
Soul of our community

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY 18TH JUNE 2017

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

This Week at St Mary's

Monday 19th June	10.30am Avon House Group 7.45pm House Group (please see notices)
Tuesday 20th June	7.45pm Bell Ringing Practice
Sunday 25th June	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School

THIS WEEKS BIBLE READINGS:

Monday	Matthew 5: 38-42
Tuesday	Matthew 5: 43-end
Wednesday	Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-18
Thursday	Matthew 6: 7-15
Friday	Matthew 6: 19-23
Saturday	Luke 1: 57-66,80

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READINGS AND PRAYERS

The Collect

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The New Testament Reading Romans 5: 1-8

1Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. 3And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

6For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. 8But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 9: 35-10: 8

35Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. 36When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; 38therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

1Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. 2These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; 3Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and

Thaddaeus; 4Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

5These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.” 8Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

The Post Communion Collect

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

All those who live in

All those on our intercessions board.

All those who are sick, especially:

The departed especially:

And those whose anniversaries occur during the week:

SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL PARISH BARBECUE FOR EVERYONE!

SUNDAY 13TH AUGUST AT 12.30PM

FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

The Family Support Work charity has been helping vulnerable children and their families in Sussex since 1890. FSW assist families who are in, or facing, crisis and need help to overcome multiple, complex issues - offering home visits, support groups, drop-ins, play opportunities for children, and supported family breaks with community workers. The charity also provides food, clothing and toys to the families they work with, where needed.

FSW need our help. Please bring along non-perishable food items & unwanted trainers and place in the box by the fundraising notice board near the vestry. Thank you!

<http://familysupportwork.org>

CHURCH FLOWERS - COORDINATOR NEEDED

As many of you know, Judy Hammans is sadly giving up the role of Church Flowers Coordinator due to ill health. We are very grateful to Judy for leading this Group, who spend a great deal of time putting together beautiful displays for St Mary's Church. We are looking for someone to take over this important role (you don't have to be a flower arranger). If you feel that you can help, please call Judy on 811600 or call in at Bramble Hill House.



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FUNDRAISING AND OTHER EVENTS

61 CLUB TALKS

On 28th June at 2.15pm, Pennie Burton will be talking to the 61 Club about aspects of her working life and maybe other insights, and on 26th July it is Desmond's turn. Both talks will be recorded by the History Society and may be available at a later date for BHS members to borrow. There may also be a copy in church. If anyone is interested that is! You will get a welcome at the meetings in any case! PB

Bible Groups

Avon House – Mondays, 10.30am, (term time only)

House Group – Mondays, 7.45pm, (term time only)

Please call Charles and Julia Wilson 01444 811304 for further details