

St Mary's Church, Balcombe



The beating heart of Balcombe
Seventh Sunday of Easter
(Sunday after Ascension Day BCP)
Sunday 2nd June 2019

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

TODAY	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.00am	Family Service with baptisms
	6.00pm	Evensong
Mon 3rd	10.30am	Avon House Group
	7.45pm	Evening House Groups
Tues 4th	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Fri 7th	7.00pm	Choir Practice
Sun 9th	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist

Monday House Groups

During term time on Monday mornings 10.30am and evenings at 7.45pm.
Contact Julia Wilson on 811304 or Julie Mitchell on 819262.

Monthly morning House Group

This group meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 10am at Bridget Gosney's house, Twittens, Oldlands. The next dates are: 26th June and 31st July. The study continues to be "Paul, his life and teachings". Please contact Lorna (819149) or Rosemary (400373) for further details or you would like a lift. All welcome.

THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS:

Monday:	1 John 2: 18-end	Thursday:	1 John 4: 1-6
Tuesday:	1 John 3: 1-10	Friday:	1 John 4: 7-end
Wednesday:	1 John 3: 11-end	Saturday:	1 John 5

Website: www.stmarys-balcombe.org

PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

All those who live in: High Street, Jobs and London Road.

All those who are sick, especially:

The departed, our own departed loved ones and those whose anniversaries occur during the week:

Mothers' Union

The next meeting will be on **Thursday 13th June at 2.15pm in the Parish Room**. Sue Etheridge will be telling us all about her childhood living at Nymans, where her father was a gardener. All will be very welcome. You do not need to be a member to attend our meetings. Further details from Lorna (819149) or Rosemary (400373)

Open the Book - a brief account

Since Jan 2017, a small team from St Mary's has presented short dramatised Bible stories in the Primary School assembly roughly every two weeks. The material used is from the Open the Book scheme run by the Bible Society. Between them, the team make the props, assemble and store costumes, act, direct and narrate the stories, with many discovering hidden talents they had no idea they possessed! There are 11 of us, with usually 5-8 free to take part. It is very well received in the school. The children love it. A few of them are chosen by the Headteacher each time to take part, which they do most enthusiastically!

The team always welcomes any new volunteers and also donations of costumes or props, but most importantly asks for your prayers for this very important work of outreach. Each session is listed in the activities of the week on the front of the service sheet. If you would like to come and watch any time, please let Lorna (819149) or Charles (811304) know.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

PARISH BBQ – Sunday, 18 August - 12 noon

DEANERY SYNOD MEETING AT ST MARY'S – Wednesday, 25 September - 7.45pm

PARISH WALK WITH BISHOP RICHARD OF LEWES – Saturday, 28 September - 2.30pm

ARDINGLY COLLEGE SENIOR SCHOOL CHOIR CONCERT – Wednesday, 16 October – 7pm