ASW News - 25th March 2018 - Palm Sunday

GREEN GYM: Thanks to all who came yesterday and helped to smarten up the churchyard ready for Easter.

<u>MANY CONGRATULATIONS</u>: to our Head Chorister, Charlotte Sinclair, who took her RSCM Dean's Award exam last Saturday and has not only passed it, but done so with a 'Highly commended' mark (RSCM's term for 'Distinction'). She has worked hard for this for some months, so it is very well-deserved - well done, Charlotte!

<u>MAUNDY THURSDAY:</u> March 29th 8pm. Our Archdeacon Ven. Paul Davies will be president and preaching at this service. Everyone is invited to have a foot washed at this service. It is a very moving and humbling experience to have a foot washed and helps to enter into the spirit of Holy Week.

<u>HOLY WEEK PRAYER STATIONS:</u> For the first three days of Holy Week, there will be prayer stations round the church from 3pm Monday 26th March until 6pm Wednesday 28th March. The church will be open all day for anyone to come into church and look at all or any of the different ways being offered to pray, meditate or just to take time to sit quietly. With the exception of our usual Wednesday activities, the prayer stations will be available in daylight hours on all three days.

THE PASSION OF JESUS: (30th March in Trafalgar Square and 31st March in Guildford). Please email us if you can help as a volunteer on either day, we need as many as possible. For Trafalgar Square please arrive 45 minutes early to ensure you get a good position and if you can't make it to the Square you can watch on Live Stream with friends or in your church by going to our <u>Facebook page</u>. Follow us on Social Media! E.mail: admin@wintershall-estate.com

<u>HELP NEEDED:</u> Ruby, our cleaner, is currently unable to do the cleaning of the church on a Saturday due to a fall during the snow. Please can anyone help for a short time whilst Ruby recovers? Anyone who is able to assist please contact either Ann or Elvie.

<u>CHANDLER SCHOOL COMMUNION:</u> Thursday 29th March 9.30am for the whole school. If you have offered to help please arrive at 9am and Brenda will allocate duties. The school start to arrive soon after. You should be free by 11am.

INTRODUCING - LIVING CHURCH MAGAZINE:

This new publication from the Diocese of Guildford comes out three times a year, telling stories of life, faith and church from around the diocese, through the eyes of some of the extraordinary people working and living out their faith in our area. There are enough copies in church for every family to have a copy - please take one! Living Church is produced by the diocesan communications team, who are always on the look-out for inspiring stories from parishes. Could you feature in the next edition? Get in touch livingchurch@cofequildford.org.uk. The magazine can also be read online at cofeguildford.org.uk/livingchurch. Or tweet us @LivingChurchMag

PRAYER CROSS: During Lent we are replacing the prayer tree with a cross. Prayer requests will be written on small 'post-it' type notes, rolled up and placed in one of the holes on the cross. They will be prayed for in the 8am service on Easter Sunday and several times during services in Lent.

EASTER LILIES: We will be using lilies to decorate the church at Easter. If you would like to dedicate a lily in memory of someone, please put your donation in the box at the back and fill in one of the slips beside it. The names will be on a list in the Book of Remembrance at Easter.

<u>WITLEY FAIR SATURDAY 16 JUNE:</u> Please note the date for this year's Witley Fair. This is our most important fund raising event and I am looking for people to volunteer to run an activity or to help in the run-up or on the day. I can usually be found in Church after the 9.45 service or can be contacted on 01483 426027 or parrott.hawthorns@dsl.pipex.com. I know you will all do what you can to support this important event. Christine Parrott

FREE TO A GOOD HOME: there are some red kneelers that are no longer needed languishing at the back of Church. If you can use one or more for a garden kneeler, footrest or any other creative use, please take it home and give it a new lease of life.

£10.00 NOTES: the old notes are no longer acceptable in shops but we are very happy to accept them and re-cycle them through our friendly bank! Please put them in the donation box at the back or in the collection bags at the offertory. We will gratefully receive them.

DIARY FOR HOLY WEEK:

Mon 26 th	12.30 – 1.30pm New Beginning in the Star			
	3.00pm	Prayer Spaces open in c	hurch until dark	
Tues 27 th	All day (except between 1.45-2.30pm)		Prayers Spaces	
	2.00pm	Witley Infants Easter Se	ervice in church	
Wed 28 th	10.15 – 11.30am CAMEO			
	12.30 – 6.00pm Prayer Spaces			

Maundy Thursday						
29 th	9.30am	Chandler School Communion				
	8.00pm	Parish Communion and vigil with foot washing				
Good Friday						
30 th	9.00am	Tots Story, tea and toast				
	10.15am	Family Service				
	12 noon	Solemn Liturgy				
Sun, 1 st	8.00am	Holy Communion				

Parish Communion and Baptisms followed by fizzy drinks

FORTHCOMING:

THURSDAY, 17th May, 7pm Induction of Rev. James McKeran

9.45am