

ASW NEWSHEET – 16th February 2020

REVISION OF ELECTORAL ROLL: As usual, prior to the APCM on the 15th March, the Electoral Roll is to be revised. The Electoral Roll is now open for revision until Friday 28th February.

PLEASE NOTE, if you are on the roll from last year, you will automatically stay so unless you wish to be removed. The 2019 Electoral Roll will be available at the back of the church for you to check – and if you require to make changes or want to be added, there are forms available at the back of church.

ASH WEDNESDAY: The penitential season of Lent begins on Wednesday 26th February in 2020. It is an important day, when we come to church together and reflect on our shortcomings and what we have done wrong; dedicating ourselves to a time of prayer and reflection over the 40 days of Lent. There will be two services as normal: one at 9.30am at All Saints Witley; and a joint service in the evening at 8.00pm with St John's Milford at Milford. Both will include the imposition of ashes.

Palm Crosses – if you have your Palm Crosses from 2019, please bring them to church over the next few Sundays; as we shall be burning them to make the ash for this year's morning service. There will be a box out on the table at the back of the nave for them.

LENT COURSE 2020: Looking ahead to March, the Lent Course this year will be at St John's, Milford with Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning options available: Tuesdays – March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th; and Wednesdays – 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th. Barbara Steele-Perkins, an experienced priest and spiritual director, will be leading us through the theme '*Praying with the Saints*'. More details to follow.

EASTER EGGS: The 'REAL' Easter Eggs are now available to order. All the chocolate is Fairtrade and each includes a new booklet with the Easter Story. This is the only Easter Egg with the Easter Story and is an excellent way to share the real meaning of Easter with children, grandchildren and godchildren. The egg is still only £3.99. Please sign the list at the back of the church before the end of February so we can obtain free postage. Money payable on receipt of Eggs.

THE MESSIAH – HANDEL: Come and enjoy a first-class rendition of this famous and lovely music at Holy Trinity Church, Guildford on SATURDAY 7th MARCH at 7.30 pm. The performance includes four members of our church choir and is by the St Catherine's Association Choir, including the school's Senior & Middle Chamber Choirs and their extremely talented Camerata String Orchestra. The Conductor is our local Matthew Greenfield with professional soloists. Tickets are now available either online at stcatschoir20.bpt.me or call 0800 4118881. For further information speak to Marjorie Moray, Richard Bacon, John Rucklidge or Richard Fraser at church.

ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY'S VISIT: There are a few key dates in March you may be interested in: Wednesday 18th March – AN EVENING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE; following that meeting – IT'S YOUR CALL; then on Thursday 19th March – A BUSINESS BREAKFAST WITH A DIFFERENCE; with an evening meeting on the same day - AN EVENING WITH JUSTIN WELBY. Venues and times can be found on the web, and Booking is required so please go to

<https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/archbishop-of-canterbury-march-2020>

The Archbishop will also be preaching in Guildford High Street (bottom end) on Wednesday 18th March, at 4.15pm.

CHICHESTER HALL REQUEST: Our friends at the Chichester Hall are in need of a minute secretary for their trust board meetings. If you may be able to help, please speak with Elvie.

CAMEO SPEAKERS: Please note the dates in your diary under forthcoming. More info to follow.

ECUMENICAL TAIZE SERVICE: Sunday 1st March, 6pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, Derby Rd, Haslemere.

WITSTOCK: The new style Witley Village Fair, will be on Saturday 16th May. It is a very important date in the church calendar and we are looking for new ideas and people to help both in the run-up to the event and on

the day itself. Please come along to a meeting after the 10.00 am service on 23th February to discuss what stalls and attractions we can provide to ensure the event is successful.

Contact Christine on 01483 246027 or christineparrott.hawthorns@gmail.com if you can't make the meeting but want to be involved. All ideas and contributions are important and welcome!

DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Wed, 19th	10.15- 11.15am	CAMEO
Fri, 21st	9.00-10.30am	Little Saints
	6.15-8.30pm	Choir Practice
Sun, 23rd	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Parish Communion followed by Coffee

FORTHCOMING:

February, 26 th	Ash Wednesday; 9.30am HC (Witley) 8.00pm HC (Milford)
February, 27 th	Men's Group (Milford)
March, 14 th	Messy Church
March, 15 th	APCM
March, 25 th	Men's Group (Milford)
April, 15 th	CAMEO – A day in the life of MAF in Arnhem Land
May, 27 th	CAMEO – So far so good