

ASW Newssheet – 23rd 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 but will be closed this 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.

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.

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 today to discuss what stalls and attractions we can provide to ensure the event is successful.

MEN'S GROUP: If you are interested in coming to the evening this week, 27th February, please see James after the service for more details. Numbers are needed for catering.

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. **Last chance today!**

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

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.

SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA – the Portuguese Way: A talk by Richard Morris, trustee of the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust (SCPT) on Wednesday 22 April 2020, 7pm-8.15pm. St John's Centre, Mellow, Guildford GU4 7AB. Please see porch noticeboard for more details.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Mon, 24th	12.30pm	New Beginnings at the Star
Tues, 25th	8.30am	Pop-up Coffee
	8.00pm	PCC Meeting
Wed, 26th ASH WEDNESDAY	9.30am	Holy Communion at All Saints
	8.00pm	Holy Communion at St Johns Milford
Thurs, 27th	7.15pm for 7.30pm	Men's Group at Milford Club
Fri, 28th Close Electoral Roll	9.00-10.30am	Little Saints
	6.15-8.30pm	Choir Practice
Sat, 29th	3.00pm	Bell Ringing
Sun, 1st March	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	All Saints Together, followed by Coffee

FORTHCOMING:

March, 14th

Messy Church

March, 15th

APCM

March, 25th

Men's Group (Milford)

April, 15th

CAMEO – A day in the life of MAF in Arnhem Land

May, 27th

CAMEO – So far so good