



Welcome to our services!

In this newsletter you can find all you need to know about what is happening here, what facilities are available and what else is going on at HTC. If you are new or would like further details about the church and what goes on then please pick up a 'Connect' card from the desk in the foyer and speak to one of those involved in leading the services.

Children's and Young People's Activities Today

During the **9.30am** service there is a crèche for under 3's in **Oak/Olive in the Ministry Centre**. All children aged 3+ stay in church today for the all age service.

Today's Services

8am HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: Philip Plyming

Preacher: Mike Harle

Luke 24:36-49 p1062

9.30am ALL AGE SERVICE

Leaders: Jamie Blake
and Philip Plyming

Luke 24:36-49 p1062

11.15am MORNING PRAISE

Leader: Philip Plyming

Preacher: Mike Harle

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No 4 O'clock Church or 6.30pm today

Recording of Sermons

Recordings of 9.30am sermons can be listened to online or downloaded from our website or CD copies can be ordered from the Church Office.

We have a hearing loop in the main church which runs down the columns. If you wear a hearing aid with a T setting and wish to take advantage of the hearing loop please sit inside the columns, avoiding the back 4 rows on the left.

Refreshments

Tea & Coffee will be served between the end of the 9.30am service and the start of the 11.15am service. Squash is also available for the children. We would be delighted if you can stay and join us.

Bookstall

The Bookstall is open each Sunday after the 9.30am service and during weekday office hours for books and greetings cards.

Prayer Room

The Prayer Room is open during office hours Monday to Friday for personal prayer.

This week's prayers

Monday - World

- Pray for Christians in Egypt following recent attacks on Coptic Churches. Pray that acts of violence will end and Christians will be able to worship in confidence. Pray that the Pope Francis' visit to Egypt on 28 April will bring them encouragement.
- Pray for all those working to bring peace to the Korean peninsula. Pray that North Korean leader Kim Jong-Un will change his policies of violence and repression towards his people, particularly Christian underground churches.

Tuesday – Pastoral/Church Family

- Pray for members of the church family who are currently unwell and especially for: Barbara Adams, Beryl Bailey, Maureen Boddy, Mary Brows, Gillian Caporn, Katie Elmore, Yvette Fountaine, Kate Gifford, Mike Guest, Jackie Hinton, Laura James, Ann McJannet, Ian McQuade, Keith Pask, Heather Patel, Sue Rowe, Margaret Standish, Diane Treganowan and those going through any difficulty.
- Pray for all who are bereaved, and especially for the family and friends of Darren Mann and John Salter.
- Pray for Mike, Caz, Hannah & Isabel Barton who have now moved into The Vicarage in Longridge. Pray for them over the next few weeks before Mike's licensing on 2 May.
- Pray for Philip as he prepares to move to Durham and take up his new role as Warden of Cranmer Hall. Give thanks for all that God has done during his time at HTC.

Wednesday – Youth, Children, Families

- Pray for Toddlers' Praise as their new term starts today. Pray for the leadership team of Gerry Valter, Charlotte Salter, Pippa Soanes and Hilary Atherton that God would use them in all their roles to draw people closer to him.
- Pray for the children's groups and leaders starting a new term on 30 April. Pray that the children would find that their groups are a place where they are loved and accepted, where they can have a lot of fun and grow in faith.

Thursday – Mission

- Pray for the work of the Joel community shelter in Kingston upon Thames. Pray for our HTC volunteers who cover one day a month at the shelter providing food, friendship and community. Thank God for all the lives that have been touched and transformed through Joel.

Friday – Services, Small Groups

- Pray for those leading and preaching at the services next Sunday (see back of this newsletter).
- Pray for the new members of the PCC who were elected at the APCM on Monday that God would inspire, encourage and use them in this important role.
- Pray for our whole Church as we enter a period of interregnum that we would all learn and grow through this time as we rely on God to guide us.

Collect for the Second

Sunday of Easter: Almighty Father, You have given Your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve You in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This week's notices

Annual Meeting (APCM) tomorrow, Monday 24 April

At this year's Annual Meeting (APCM) there will be the annual election for two Churchwardens, also elections to fill 4 vacancies on the PCC and 5 vacancies on Emly Deanery Synod. All the nomination forms are displayed on the noticeboard in the foyer.

Electoral Roll and Statutory Financial Report

The new Electoral Roll and the Statutory Financial Report are now available for inspection under the main noticeboard in the foyer.

Mike B's licensing

Mike B's licensing at St Lawrence with St Paul, Longridge, Preston will take place on Tuesday 2 May 7.30pm. **If you are driving and could offer a lift please contact Janet in the office.**

Philip's service of welcome in Durham

Philip's Service of Welcome will be at St Oswald's Church, Durham on Mon 8 May at 6pm, and all are welcome - **please let Janet know if you plan to attend so we can book you a ticket!**

Please do also hold the date in your diary for a **leaving picnic** for the Plyming family on **Sunday 16 July** on The Recreation Ground.

Baptism Course

The next course for parents who are thinking about baptism for their children starts on Tues 16 May 8.15-9.45pm in the Ministry Centre. It continues for 4 weeks (with a break for half term) and ends on 13 June. Please contact Janet in the office of you would like to find out more.

Adult confirmation

There is an opportunity for adults to be confirmed on Tues 16 May at St Nicholas, Thames Ditton. Contact Richard for info.

Fire Drill procedure during Sunday services / groups

On hearing the Fire Alarm you should proceed via the fire exits (service leaders / service coordinators / welcome teams / group helpers will assist in directing) to the Fire Assembly Point which is located between The Vicarage and the Ministry Centre. **Parents please note that your children will be brought to you at the Fire Assembly Point** and you should not go to their groups to try to collect them as this will delay the evacuation.

Easter Appeal - Tearfund

It's not too late to contribute to our Easter Appeal in support of the work of Tearfund. If you are a taxpayer, please use a gift aid envelope from the welcome desk.

Weekly prayer through a period of change

The PCC invite you to join them for weekly prayer as we move through a period of change at HTC - every Saturday between 9 - 9.30am at church. Our prayer time will be led by a member of the PCC each week. All welcome!

Prayer weekend 22-24 Sept

Linda Morgan is leading a prayer weekend at St Cuthman's retreat centre near Horsham - there are two twin rooms remaining (£145 per person inc. all meals) and two single rooms (£160 per person inc. all meals). Contact Katherine in the office to book or for more information.

Besom Prayer Meeting

All are welcome to join members of the Besom team to pray for the work of the Besom project, on Mon 24 April at 9.30am in the Prayer Room.

This week's diary

Tues-Fri	8.45am	Daily Prayer in the Prayer Room (not Bank Holiday Monday!)
Mon 24 Apr	9.30am 8pm	Besom Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room - all welcome Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in church
Tues 25 Apr	10am 3.30pm	Connections for Seniors in church Messy Church
Wed 26 Apr	10 & 1 8pm	Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre Small group leaders' meeting - repeat of Sat 22 Apr

Sunday 30 April

8am Holy Communion Leader: Linda Morgan Preacher: Tessa Badcock	9.30am Morning Praise Leader: Stuart Sadler Preacher: Richard Rugg	11.15am Morning Praise Leader: Linda Morgan Preacher: Richard Rugg	4pm 4 O'clock Church Leaders: Gerry Valter and Denise Stollery	6.30pm Evening Praise Leader: Sarah Slater Preacher: Richard Rugg
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Upcoming Events

Wed 26 Apr	8pm	Small group leaders' meeting - repeat of Sat 22 Apr
Sat 13 May	10am	PCC Away Day in Windlesham Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre
Tues 16 May	3.30pm 7.30pm 8.15pm	Messy Church Deanery Confirmation Service at St Nicholas Thames Ditton Baptism Course begins
Thurs 25 May	11am	Ascension Day Holy Communion followed by lunch
Thurs 25 May - Sun 4 June		'Thy Kingdom Come' - a national and local period of prayer between Ascension Day and Pentecost - more info to follow
Sat 10 June	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre
Mon 12 June	8pm	PCC meeting in the Ministry Centre
Sat 17 June	8am	Men's breakfast
Tues 20 June	3.30pm	Messy Church
Sat 24 June	8.30am	Women's breakfast - speaker Kate Patterson
Sun 2 July	3pm	Stuart Sadler's Ordination at Guildford Cathedral - all welcome
Sat 15 July		Claygate Flower Show on the Rec