

St John's, Sevenoaks

Sunday 8th May

Third Sunday of Easter

Music at the Sung Mass Celebration Hymnal

Introit: Rejoice the Lord is King 270

Offertory: Loving shepherd of thy sheep 187

Communion: I am the bread of life 501

Recessional: Holy virgin 126

Anthem: Bogorodytse dyevo (Ave Maria)

Rachmaninov

Crowning of the May Queen - This is a survival of the Mediaeval celebration of Our Lady on the first of May. We honour her with flowers as they did. This year our May Queen will be Charlotte Durant. She will be helped by Cerys McArthur and Isobel Woodrow-Clark.

Please join us after Mass for refreshments

• A huge thank you to all those who entered the Grand Easter Bonnet Competition, to Simon Raikes our Town Mayor and to those who kindly donated the prizes. A total of £75 was raised towards Church funds.

• David Ashenden, David Bonner, Liz Hodgson, Michael Payne and Roger Williams are drawing up a Parish Profile for consideration by the PCC. This is the first step in the process of finding a new Vicar. Part of the Profile describes how we would like the church to develop and what we are looking for in our new Vicar. If you have ideas you would like to contribute, please speak to one of the team.

Christian Aid Week 15th - 21st May Volunteers are needed to distribute and collect envelopes. Please contact Carolyn Alchin.

National Pilgrimage to Walsingham 30th May 2011

This is an enjoyable day at the Shrine, more information in the About St John's. If you would like to come, please put your name on the car share list at the back of the church. The cost will be £10 for people who require transport, to be paid to their driver. Please speak to Amy Payne if you have any questions.

At the Patronal Festival on 26 June the choir will be singing a Mass setting by Michael Hayden. As is customary at St John's, the choir would welcome anyone who would like to join them for this event. There are no auditions and experienced members of the choir will be sitting alongside you as you learn this piece, which is straightforward, tuneful and relatively short. If you feel moved to come and sing, please contact John Hendry [01732 453010 or jojahendry@hotmail.com]. The rehearsal schedule will be published on the church website shortly.

This Week...

MON 9th Feria

9.30am

We pray for *Guild of All Souls*

Holy Communion

10.00am-12Noon

Sacred Space

TUE 10th Feria

9.30am

Mass

We pray for *Forward in Faith*

10.15 am

MU Prayer Group - 12 Holmesdale Road

WED 11th Feria

7.00pm

Mass

We pray for *Papua New Guinea*

THU 12th Feria

9.30am

Holy Communion

We pray for *St. John's School*

11.00am

Gloucester House Communion

FRI 13th Feria

9.30am

Holy Communion

We pray for *BOBs*

2.00-4.00pm Sacred Space

SAT 14th St. Matthias

9.30am

Mass

We pray for *Peter, our Bishop*

SUN 15th FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WE PRAY FOR *OUR PARISH*

10.00am Sung Mass

2:00pm Sick Communions

If you would like to mark an anniversary of the death of a beloved or an occasion of thanksgiving you are welcome to give a seven day candle that burns at the Holy Cross altar, the Walsingham altar or the All Souls altar. The candle costs £3, monies placed in the candle donations tray at the table at the back of church and name or intention inserted on the list on the same table.

If you would like to offer flowers, a donation can be left with Terry and the name inserted on the same list.

Would those lighting votive candles please remember to place 20p in the basket on the table at the back of the church.

During the current vacancy, the Churchwardens and the Rural Dean will be responsible for the parish. The Churchwardens can be contacted as follows:

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