

St Francis of Assisi
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Charity Commission No. 1134856
Sunday, 25th March – Palm Sunday

8 am Holy Communion at **St Mary's** – Celebrant and Preacher - Hazel O'Sullivan
10 am Joint Service at St Francis – Richard Ford and Ken Bryan
Celebrant – Hazel O'Sullivan

Hymns

14: All glory, laud and honour
448: Meekness and majesty
463: My song is love unknown
87: Broken for me
583: Ride on, ride on in majesty

Albie Mitchell will be baptised at St Francis' Church on Saturday 14th April at 1pm. Please pray for him and his family (Mum, Beth and Dad, Mike) as they prepare for this event. There is an open invitation for all members of our congregations to join Albie's family and friends at this service.

The Mothers' Union will meet in the Hall on Tuesday, April 3rd at 2 pm for a 'Do it Yourself' afternoon. Bring your knitting, crochet, a poem, a reading, or anything to share - and enjoy a 'Cuppa and Chat'!

PCC - ahead of the APCM on Sunday 15th April we are looking for 5 members to join the PCC for a 3 year term. The PCC meet 6 times per year and members can have served a previous term. If you feel that you would like to be involved in understanding more on how St Francis is run and the decisions taken at St Francis and would like to put your name forward or know someone who you think would be good to have on the PCC please talk to Hazel O'Sullivan, Kate Dyer, David Wada or Nicky Nightingale.

Bishop's Lent Call: Giving as well as giving-up. At the back of church there is information about the various projects which will be supported and envelopes for your donation. Please Gift Aid if you can, using the Gift aid envelope. Cheques should be made payable to St Francis Church.

Good Friday for Children: there will be activities and worship for children in the hall from 11 to 12. Parents may attend the service in church or join with the children. There is a creche corner for accompanied under 4's.

We are looking for volunteers to join a Planning Group for the three day event that St Francis will be holding from 9-11 November 2018. This event is a major part of our mission action plan to reach out to the local community and will include a Flower Festival with support from West Wickham Floral Society; the church being open over the 3 days; Croydon Male Voice Choir performing on the Saturday evening; afternoon tea in church on Saturday afternoon; Remembrance Sunday Service; Exhibition of memorabilia with a focus on peace; a reflective service with quiet time and prayer stations. If you would like to help plan, even if just for one specific part of the event that interests you, please speak to Nicky Nightingale, Tim Shingler or Hazel O'Sullivan.

Reading: If you would like to read ONE of the lessons on a Sunday in April, May or June, please print your name on the list at the back of Church. Thank you. Joan

Morning Recital: on Friday 13th April at 11.30 am Pam Harvey-Fackrell (piano) and Inge Dawson (flute) will be performing. A free event, do come and bring friends.

Organ Recital by Travis Baker: Sat. 28th April at 7.45 pm. Tickets £10 now available from John and Anita Curtis (Tel. 8777 5973) or at the door (under 16's free).

Summer 2018 - Music at St Francis' Church: This year our season of free summertime lunch recitals extends from May until September. As usual, each monthly recital takes place on a Thursday between 12.45 pm and 1.30 pm on the following dates:-

24 th May	William Fu, piano
14 th June	Peter-Joe Bennett (guitar), Yuko Yagishita (piano)
19 th July	Tamara Ravenhill (soprano), accompanied by Martin Sharpe (piano), and Andrew Gallacher (piano)
9 th August	Peter De Croos, organ
20 th September	Students from Langley Park Boys' School

All are welcome. Please bring your own lunch; free tea and coffee will be available. Anita Curtis

The West Wickham Choir: will be re-formed for concerts on 21st and 22nd July. The programme will include Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Haydn's "Little Organ Mass" otherwise known as "Missa brevis St Joannis de Deo". All singers welcome; names to Geoff; first rehearsal at St Francis on Thursday, 5th April. Further details and full practice list available from Geoff at geoff@mussard.org.uk or 020 8650 8389.

The Oberammergau Passion Play is a five-hour open air performance of the events of Holy Week. Bill Bowman will be travelling there with a group, also visiting other destinations in Austria, in early August 2020. If you are interested in joining them, please contact Bill on 07905 499815 or email wfbowman@hotmail.com.

Pew sheet: Items for the pew sheet by Wednesday morning please: elizabeth_bligh@hotmail.com

Hazel's day off is Monday

What's on this week:-

Tuesday:	8 am Morning Prayer, St Mary's 2 pm Mothers' Union in the Hall 8 pm Stations of the Cross at St Francis' (led by Hazel and Rowena)
Wednesday:	9.30 am Morning Prayer 10.45 am Holy Communion
Maundy Thursday:	9 am Morning Prayer 7.30 pm – 9 pm: Prayer Stations and Holy Communion at St Mary's (led by Hazel, Ken and Lesley)
Good Friday:	11 am CTWW Service at St Francis' 2 pm "An hour at the cross" at St Mary's (led by Hazel and Brian)
Saturday:	9 am Quiet Hour 10.30 am Action Aid Coffee

Sunday, 1st April - Easter Sunday

8 am Holy Communion at **St Mary's** – Hazel O'Sullivan
10.45 – Family Communion – Richard Ford
Preacher – Hazel O'Sullivan