

St Francis of Assisi
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Charity Commission No. 1134856
Easter Sunday, 1st April

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

Collect: God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Hymns	Bible readings	Standard	Large Print
348: Jesus Christ is risen today	Acts: 10, v 34 – 43	895	1721
17: All heaven declares	Mark: 16, v 1 – 8	829	1595
716: We have a gospel to proclaim			
475: Now the green blade riseth			
672: Thine be the glory			

A funeral service for **Pat Williams** will be held at St Francis' on Monday 9th April at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

We are trialling a **GraveTalk** event on Tuesday, 17th April at 7.30 pm at Corza Cafe, 111-113 High Street in West Wickham. This is an opportunity to talk in an informal atmosphere with friends around a small table over some food and drink. Although the theme is about death and dying, many of the questions used to prompt the conversation are about life and can spark a very positive discussion.

More details are available on the website: www.gravetalkww.com. Tickets for this first event can be booked by telephone on 020 8462 6571. You can use the telephone or the website to book for a second event on Thursday 24th May. Do come along and try it out.

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.

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.

The Electoral Roll is now available for checking on the table at the back of church. Please inform me of any errors. Barbara Goodchild

Saturday coffee mornings: I have recently forwarded a cheque for £800 to Action Aid from profits from our Saturday coffee mornings. We are doing well this year on most Saturdays. Thank you for your support and help. Barbara Goodchild

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.

St. George's Day Supper: Saturday 21st April 7.00 pm, in **St. Mary's Church Hall**. Tickets £15 each for a 3 course meal with wine available from Beryl 8289 8097 or bbolton@ntworld.com

Organ Recital by Travis Baker: Saturday, 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).

Royal Ritz Tea: Saturday, May 19th at 3.00 pm in the gardens or hall at **St Mary's Church**. A tea to celebrate the Royal Wedding - cost £8 per person. Please contact Jan 8777 1762 or Beryl 8289 8097. Numbers needed by the 6th May at the latest.

West Wickham Choir: will be re-formed for concerts on 21st and 22nd July. Programme to 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, at **St Mary's**
2 pm Prayer Group, at 25 Silver Lane

Wednesday: 9.30 am Morning Prayer
10.45 am Holy Communion

Thursday: 9 am Morning Prayer

Friday: 9 am Morning Prayer, at **St Mary's**

Saturday: 9 am Quiet Hour
10.30 am Action Aid Coffee

Sunday, 8th April

8 am Holy Communion – Richard Ford
10 am – Joint Service, at **St Mary's** – Richard Ford