

St Francis of Assisi
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Charity Commission No. 1134856
Sunday, 15th April – Easter 3

8 am Holy Communion at **St Mary's** – Hazel O'Sullivan, Preacher – Ken Bryan
10.45 am – Family Communion – Hazel O'Sullivan
Annual Parochial Church Meeting will commence after the morning service.

Collect: Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

Hymns	Bible reading	Page	Large Print
580: Rejoice! The Lord is King	Acts 3: 12 - 19	887	1706
47: As we are gathered (x2)	Either:		
205: Glorious things of thee are spoken	1 John 3: 1 – 7	990	1911
87: Broken for me	Or:		
672: Thine be the glory	Luke 24: 36 – 48	861	1655

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.

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.

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.

A **Christenings event** will be held on Saturday 28th April between 10am and 12noon at St Francis' church. This is a drop-in event for those who want to find out more about getting their children baptised. Please do pick up a flyer and circulate this to relatives, friends and neighbours who might be interested.

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).

Women's Event: Our next event will be at St Francis Church on Tuesday, 1st May at 8 pm. We will have a speaker from Bromley & Croydon Women's Aid.

Christian Aid Week, 13th – 19th May 2018: House to house collectors are needed. If you are able to help, please contact Anita Curtis on 0208 777 5973. There is a letter of thanks from Christian Aid in recognition of the cheque we sent as a result of the Big Christmas Sing last December. Thank you for your continued support. Anita.

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.

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.

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.

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

Prayer Ministry. If you come with any concerns about your health or have any other needs for which you would like prayer, do speak to one of the ministry team after the service and they would be pleased to pray with you. (Hazel, Richard, John, Rowena, Joan Read, Brian and Lesley).

Church flowers: If anyone would like a flower arrangement made for a specific Sunday, perhaps in memory of someone, please see the Team List on the notice board at the back of Church to see who is on the rota for that Sunday or speak to Nicky Nightingale or Joan Burford to make arrangements.

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, 25 Silver Lane 7.30 pm GraveTalk at Corza Café
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 10 am Place of Welcome 11.30 am Morning Recital
Saturday:	9 am Quiet Hour 10.30 am Action Aid Coffee

Sunday, 22nd April – St George's Day

8 am Holy Communion at **St Mary's** – Hazel O'Sullivan, Preacher – Ken Bryan
10 am – All Age Joint Service – Hazel O'Sullivan, Preacher: Brian Griffiths