



## **The Sixth Sunday of Easter – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May: 10.30am Holy Communion in church.**

**Please pray for:** Jacob Whatmough, who is being baptised during the service today, and all his family.

**Please also pray for:** Sheila Millard, Doreen Burrows, Michael Bridges, Olwin Bridges, Desmond and Renee Clifton, Trevor Newton, Joyce Davis and any who are unwell at this time.

**Please pray for the families of:** Debbie Hayden, John Nicholls and Herman Seggons who have died recently.

**NOTICES** - Please take this sheet home with you.

**Exhibition of Quilts and Special Flowers at All Saints Saxtead:** This weekend April 30<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup>/2nd Saxtead Church are holding this Special exhibition, so please come along and see the beautiful flowers and quilts. On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May there will be a Rogation Service at 11.15am followed by a BBQ. Everyone is welcome.

**The Silent Prayer Group:** You are welcome to join the Silent Prayer Group on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at Framlingham College Chapel. A simple breakfast will be served from 8.45am prayers are from 9.15 – 10.00am.. Any enquiries to Rayleen Finn 01728 723322, [rayleenf@aol.com](mailto:rayleenf@aol.com)

**Ascension Day Service:** Ascension Day is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May. There will be a sung communion service at 7.30pm.

**Spring Clean** - I hope that you are all aware of how extra clean St Michael's has become this last week? If not, shame on you!! This is due to the sterling efforts of a band of volunteer Holy Dusters who set to on Tuesday and Thursday with vacuums, extending brooms, feather dusters and much polish to reach as many nooks and crannies as possible. We must have one of the cleanest churches in the country! Thank you one and all. Janis Haerle

**Rev Mike Vipond:** Mike is celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination as deacon on May 25<sup>th</sup> 1991 on May 25<sup>th</sup> at St Clare's and there will be a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan Hopes at 6.30 with refreshments afterwards. Everybody is welcome so if you would like to be there, please sign the list at the back of church before Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

**Christian Aid Week – 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> May.** We need some new collectors. **Can you help?** Please ring 720106; email [Christopher.bindloss@hotmail.com](mailto:Christopher.bindloss@hotmail.com) The World's

poorest people need our help. We are also looking for a willing volunteer (if possible) to take on the role of treasurer for Framlingham Christian Aid. This is not a hugely onerous task, but is vital to our activities. Jillian (our retiring Treasurer, who has served for 11 years) would be able to support and explain the requirements. Do you know anyone within your churches who might consider taking on this role? We would be very grateful for any assistance and suggestions. Many thanks. Cath Kitching. [cathkitching@aol.com](mailto:cathkitching@aol.com)

**Fair Trade Stall:** Steph will not be here after the 9.30 am service today. Instead she will be here on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May so please bring lots of change and stock up on all your favourite FT items.

**FOSM Lunch:** This delicious lunch is happening on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Everyone is welcome to come to this very sociable occasion, so do join us.

**Annie's Challenge Concert:** Thank you to all who attended this wonderful concert and gave so generously. The grand total after costs was £1900. An incredible effort.

**Knit and Stitch:** The Knit and Stitch Group are progressing well with knitted and material bunting for June as well as ideas for Harvest and Christmas. Items are always welcome for the Christmas charity stall even if anyone cannot come to our meetings. Of course we prefer to join in the camaraderie of stitching together and enjoying a cuppa. Do come to the next meeting on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm in church.

**APCM:** As requested at our meeting last Monday - car park money collected in 2015 was £2633. This compares favourably with the money collected in 2014 (£1908)

**The Healing Team.** Two members of the Healing Group will be present in our Space For Grace after the 9.30am service today for anyone to share their concerns, or doubts, fears or worries. It is done in complete confidence.

**Next Sunday:** Sunday 8th May. The Seventh Sunday of Easter.

**St Michael's:** 8.00am Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer.) 9.30am Parish Eucharist.

**All Saints Saxtead:** 2.30pm Celebration in Church for the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday followed by fun and games, tea and cake.

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