

Notices:

Alive@4 at the Pet and Teddy Service: Today, July 17th 3.30pm, Starring Darius the Donkey & friends, bring your pet or your teddy and we will meet them all. Short service followed by snacks & drinks. At Todds Farm, Chapel Rd, Saxtead IP13 9RB. See Newsletter for July for details and directions. Make sure you are there! You will be very welcome

Wednesday Communion: This Wednesday only our regular 10.30am Communion Service will be held in the Rectory.

Confirmation Service: This coming Tuesday, July 19th at 7.30pm, Bishop Martin will be taking his first service here so please come and join him as we welcome the six people being confirmed. It is really important that this is a service for the whole church family, choir and music group so please make sure you are there. The six being confirmed are: David Mason, Matthew Mason, Jeff Burt, Richard Charnock-Smith, Stephanie March and Victoria Whatmough. There are refreshments after the service – if you can help by bringing something please contact Wendy Phelan tel 720125

Suffolk Coastal Filling Station: The Riverside Centre, Stratford St Andrew, Suffolk IP17 1LL. Thursday 21st July at 7.00 pm – Speaker: Peter Crooks. Filling Station meetings are an informal way of expressing or exploring the Christian faith for those from any church background, or none. Our speaker this month is Peter Crooks, who has worked for many years in Christian ministry in the Arab world. He has been Dean of Jerusalem and Travelling Chaplain to Yemen, and so he has a fascinating insight into working with Christians in the Middle East. To find out more, visit: www.thefillingstation.org.uk or contact Robin Alderson on 01728 688255 or robin.alderson@btinternet.com Future Filling Station Dates for your Diary: Thursday 22nd September - Speaker: Clive Howard, Vicar, St John's Woodbridge

Knitters and Stitchers: The next meeting will be on **Thursday 4th August at 2pm** in church. So far we have cross stitch, felt and knitted creatures that live in or by the sea for our Harvest service. Items for the stall at Christmas are also being completed. I have a bag of wools if anyone would like to have it/some, in various colours. Details: Mary Lamb or Geraldine 727489

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

Children's activities during the 9.30am service:

Deborah, Edith or Victoria would be very pleased if any children here today would like to come and join in some Sunday school activities in the Tower Room just before the sermon starts.

The
Church of Saint Michael
Framlingham
with All Saints Saxtead



The Eighth Sunday After Trinity – July 17th 2016

Today's Service:

Processional Hymn: 280 Hail to the Lord's anointed

Gradual Hymn: 652 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Offertory Hymn: 66 Be thou my vision

Final Hymn: 628 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Collect: Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Colossians 1.15–28

15 Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; 16 for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. 17 He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. 19 For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, 20 and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. 21 And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, 22 he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him – 23 provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope

promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. 24 I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. 25 I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, 26 the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. 27 To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. 28 It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

For the word of the Lord.

Response (ALL) Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn: 652 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Alleluia: (ALL) Alleluia x 3

GOSPEL: Luke 10.38–42

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Response (ALL): Glory to you O Lord.

38 Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. 39 She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. 40 But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' 41 But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; 42 there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response (ALL): Praise to you O Christ.

Post Communion: Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you forever Amen.

Please pray for: Nicholas Nottidge, John Rose, Shirley Lock, Doreen Burrows, Michael Bridges, Olwin Bridges, Desmond and Renee Clifton, Trevor Newton, Joyce Davis and any who are unwell at this time.

Give thanks for the life of Mollie Webster on the first anniversary of her death.

Pray for: Nyah Wilton who is being baptised here at 11am today and for her family. Also for Victoria and Barry who are getting married here at St Michael's next Saturday 23rd July.

Wednesday 20th July – 10.30am Holy Communion in IN THE RECTORY THIS WEEK ONLY.

Next Sunday: Sunday 24th July: 8am Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer.) 9.30am Family Eucharist (Common Worship) Saxeat: 6.30pm Evening Prayer.

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