Church calendars for May/June

* Every Wednesday at 10.30am, Holy Communion in St Michael's Church

May Services at St Michael's
5 th 9.30am Family Communion
12 th 9,30am Parish Communion
19 th 9.30am Parish communion
26 th 10am Flower Festival Service,
Celebrating Baptism
June Services at St Michael's
2 nd 9.30am Family Communion
9 th 9,30am Parish Communion
16 th 9.30am Parish Communion
23 rd 9.30am Parish Communion
30 th 9.30am Parish Communion

May Services at All Saints Saxtead
5 th 11.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
12 th 11.15am Holy Communion (CW)
19 th 11.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
26 th 6.30pm, Evening Prayer (BCP)
June Services at All Saints Saxtead
2 nd 11.30 Rogation at Trust Farm
9 th 11.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
16 th 11.15am Holy Communion (CW)
23 rd 6.30pm, Evening Prayer (BCP)
30 th 11.15 am H

St Michael's Church News:

Soul Food: This prayer group meets every Friday during term time at Framlingham College Chapel. A light breakfast is served from 8.30 – 9am followed by prayers from 9 – 9.45 am. All are welcome. For more information contact Bryn Bayman – College Chaplain Brynn Bayman bbayman@framcollege.co.uk

The Silent Prayer Group

You are welcome to join the Silent Prayer Group on Mondays in 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

Bishops' teaching morning: Celebrating and Living the Resurrection 4th May 2019

A morning with Bishops Martin and Mike. The forty days after Easter have traditionally been a time of great rejoicing in the Church as we delight in the knowledge of Jesus' resurrection and its implication for us. This morning we will look at both the resurrection of Jesus and the invitation to participate in his risen life here and now. This event is free of charge, but please register on Eventbrite so that we can prepare refreshments: bishops-teaching-morning-may-2019.eventbrite.co.uk. Enquiries to Lesley Steed on 01473 298510 or lesley.steed@cofesuffolk.org.

The Prayer Group: The Prayer Group meets on the third Monday of the Month, from 7 – 8pm. **The next meeting will be on Monday 20**th **May**. For more details please phone Joyce on 01728 724495 or Alison on 724145.

FOSM Lunch:

Lunches are held in **St Michael's Rooms** on the **third Friday of the month.** All are welcome to join us for this delicious and sociable meal. **The May lunch will be on Friday 17**th **May**. If you would like to join us, please sign up on the booking sheet which will be at the back of the church in good time.

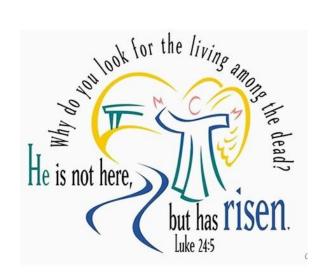
Prayer Corner

On behalf of the Association of English Cathedrals – a prayer following the fire at Notre Dame de Paris:

Lord Jesus,

your broken body, laid aside, rose in glory. Give resurrection hope to the people of Paris and all who grieve the destructive fire at Notre Dame.

From the ashes may beauty once more arise, as from the grave our new life comes. Amen.



St Michael's Church Framlingham with All Saints Saxtead

Parish Newsletter: May 2019 Please take this home with you.

Everyone is welcome to join us at all our Services, see inside for all the details.

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A Letter from our Rector, Mark Special days

That is the theme for our Flower Festival from 25-27th May this year. We did discuss calling it 'Happy Days' but for those of us of a certain generation it might have meant we hoped the Fonz was coming and it was all about the TV show. But no it isn't, so alternative names were sought. This title is nice and open.

It suggests the special days of the church – Christmas, Easter, Pentecost and the others – some of which will have special flower arrangements. As will the days which mark out special family days – baptism (christening as many still call it). Weddings, birthdays, high days and holidays. There will be arrangements for some of those too.

On Sunday 26th at 10am we are having a special service – in part marking some of the days, linking our lives with Jesus' life and special days for us. This in part will focus on Baptism and WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Do you have a picture of you being **baptised at Framlingham** – or of you as a baby if baptised at Framlingham. We would love some photos to put up a display. If you have one:

- 1. Please drop it into the Rectory or the letter box on the outside of St Michael's Rooms or even email a copy, or scan and email to framparish@gmail.com
- 2. If you want the picture back please include your name, address, tel nos and we will endeavour to return it
- 3.We are planning to make a display of those we receive for the Gala weekend.

Most of all come along, help out, join in and make notes of all the different parts of the three days – especially the Laura Wright concert (Saturday 27th) tickets are already going

Other news

Please support your Churchwarden and assistants at the Visitation Service at Wickham Market 7.30pm May 1st as they get sworn in.

May 13th Knitters and Stitchers trip to Felixstowe to visit the Seafarers' Centre and lunch. (See Diocesan item below) May 30th 7.30pm Ascension Day – Deanery Holy Communion Service. Mark

Diocesan news: Sea Sunday 2019

Sunday 14 July
The Mission to Seafarers
needs your help to raise
awareness of the struggles
faced by seafarers the world over.
We're calling on churches and community
groups to come together as part of this global
celebration to raise awareness and fundraise to
support people at sea. With over 90% of
everything that we own and use coming to us
via the sea it is vitally important that we in the
UK ensure seafarers are supported as best we
can.

Mental Health issues, piracy, shipwreck, abandonment and separation from loved ones are just a few of the problems merchant seafarers face. Around the world. The Mission to Seafarers provides help and support to the 1.5 million men and women who face danger every day to keep our global economy afloat. The rate of suicide for international seafarers is triple that of shore workers, and they are 26 times more likely to be killed at work so we have been quietly saving lives since 1856. The Mission to Seafarers works in over 200 ports in 50 countries, caring for seafarers of all ranks, nationalities and beliefs. Through our global network of chaplains, staff and volunteers we offer practical, emotional and spiritual support to seafarers through ship visits. drop-in seafarers' centres, promoting education and equality by working with the families of seafarers and we offer a range of welfare and emergency support services.

All Saints' Church News:

What does Saxtead have in common with Paris?

Few people will ever forget watching the images of Notre Dame de Paris burning against the night sky- a fire of truly cataclysmic proportions that seemed to symbolise an attack on one of the great centres of western Christian civilisation. The connection? We, too, lost our tower, which collapsed on the 8th July 1805: how frightening and distressing that must have been to the people of Saxtead. Both events to a large extent due to centuries of neglect and inadequate repair. How timely, then, our current repairs to the stonework and north wall. Please be careful, not just here but around all other areas in the churchyard that pose potential hazards if not treated with respect. Rupert Thornely-Taylor, churchwarden, reports "We tolled the All Saints bell for Notre Dame at 7 pm last Thursday 18th April. As only one of our original three bells survives following the collapse of the bell tower, seven of us took turns to ring it for one minute each."

Fete Tuesday 25th June

Time to start putting aside contributions for the fete including freshly baked cakes and pies. Bake a bigger batch and you have some for Celebrate Saxtead too! Speaking of which, how are your marrows growing? The 'Mount Fuji' blossom is now just going over, but the church yard looks its best, and was enjoyed by the 40 or so visitors on Easter Sunday.

Future events

Planning is going full steam ahead for the excitement of Celebrate Saxtead events over the week-end of 21/22 Sept. Other events coming up are the Rogation service at Trust Farm, at 1130 on Sunday 2 June and the fete, as usual at The Barn at 1800 on Tuesday 25 June. The pet service is at 1530 on Sunday 21st July at Todds farm. Sue Ward.