

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

<b>Sun</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Morning Worship
	Reading:	The Rocky Road – 1 Peter 2: 11 – 25
	11.30am	Annual Parochial Church Meeting in church
	6.30pm	No service
<b>Mon</b>	9.30 – noon	Coffee Morning at SJ's
	8.00pm	Prayer Meeting at SJ's
<b>Tue</b>	6.15pm	CRU2 (Urban Saints)(Yrs 3-5)at the Assembly Rooms
	7.00pm	Club 2000 (Yrs 6-9) meet at Coney Hill Baptist Church
<b>Wed</b>	9.30am	Open Door for mothers & children at SJ's
	1pm-4pm	CareerCafé drop-in at SJ's
	4pm-7pm	CareerCafé appointments
<b>Thur</b>	7.30pm	14 Plus
<b>Fri</b>	10am – noon	Craft Club at SJ's

### NEXT SUNDAY – 29th April

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Parish Communion
6.30pm	No service



### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Once again the Israelites had displeased God and he became angry with Moses, forbidding him to cross the Jordan and see the Promised Land. What did he tell Moses to do and who led the Israelites across the Jordan?

Read Deuteronomy 3: 24 – 28

### MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS

In April the dates are 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. 8pm in SJ's. All welcome.



## FOR EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON

This week we've been catapulted into tropical weather. With snow on the ground only a few weeks ago, you could be forgiven for thinking that Spring was overlooked and we moved from Winter to Summer in a single bound. The more typical transition through the seasons gives us space and time to adjust.

An abrupt change can be disorientating.

This is equally true for the changing seasons of life. Most of us understand that with the long view, different periods of life have their own distinctive hue. But when we are jolted into change unexpectedly, it can feel like we lose our bearings. If you're weren't ready for the season you find yourself in, or you're simply not sure what season you're in, I hope you can draw on the truth the author of Ecclesiastes arrives at after talking about a 'season for everything' – 'everything God does will endure forever, nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it.' (Ecclesiastes 3: 14)

## WELCOME

If you're a visitor this morning and wish to find out more about what goes on then introduce yourself to one of our leadership team, or **fill in one of our Connect Cards**. Equally, help yourself to any of our packs, which explain a bit more of what's going on in our church family.



### TODAY APCM

**Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April**, at 11.30am, after

Morning Worship, will be our **church AGM**. Please join us if you can, as we take stock of the past year together, consider our financial position and give thanks to God.



### GRAVETALK

Our trial run of this initiative went well this week. If you haven't picked up yet, this a Church of England initiative to help encourage people talk about the subject that many avoid – death and dying. The idea is to provide a café space to talk around this subject, give people a chance to think about their funeral and generally air their thoughts.

With St Francis & St Mary's we're running Gravetalk for the wider public on 24 May. It will take place at Corza Café on West Wickham High Street,

and a free buffet will be provided (a mix of hot and cold nibbles). We're asking you to grab the postcards that are available in church and distribute them wherever you can. Details of how to book are on the cards.



### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Bishop's Lent Appeal collection on Easter Sunday. Just over £500 was raised, including Gift Aid.



### CHRISTIAN AID 'CIRCLE THE CITY' WALK 20 MAY 2018

This family-friendly walk of 3 or 6 miles around the City of London's beautiful, historic places of worship, with exhibitions, music, tours and activities for children aims to celebrate and raise money for Christian Aid, either by sponsorship (target £100) or donation. If you are able to join us, please sign up on the sheet on the MOP notice board or contact Anne Ford at 0208 289 2432 or Jeff Seabrook at 020 8777 0014. Sponsor forms are available from us and, if you are not able to join the walk, please sponsor someone who is walking. We plan to travel on the 12.29 train from Hayes (later at West Wickham), taking a packed lunch to eat. Please let us know

if you would like a lift to the station after church.



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In April these will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>.

The focus of the meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> will be Amber Crisis Pregnancy Care.



### YOUNG PEOPLE & FAMILIES ENABLER

The interviews for this post will take place on 4<sup>th</sup> May. Please continue

to pray as we put finishing touches to the interview process, and for the candidates who will be attending.



### PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- Tim & Maggie Gaved working with Wycliffe Bible Translators; our mission focus this month;
- Guy & Rachel Harris, as Rachel continues to recover from treatment;
- God's intervention as different nations consider how to address the situation in Syria;

- Agatka Cienciala, as she runs the London Marathon this weekend, and all those who will run to raise money for good causes;
- Our Home Groups and their leaders as they met to consider the future of our groups this week;
- The second half of the Alpha course, running to 17 May;
- The government's response to the Windrush generation situation, and the news of rising violent crime in the London area;



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