WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM OUR VICAR, ALEX – 12th April 2023

Dear Church Family & Parish Friends,

Hoping you're all well. What a wonderful Easter weekend we all had last week - thank you so much to everyone who contributed to the different services and events. We had very encouraging attendance at all of these - and lots of children through the doors of both churches too.

Attached are a couple of pictures from Janet's confirmation at Guildford Cathedral on Saturday evening, which was another beautiful occasion to celebrate. She sends her thanks to everyone in our church family, across both churches, for all the support and good wishes.

This news email contains information on the following:

- 1. Compline Prayer Tuesday 18th April at 8 pm on Zoom
- 2. Our Parish APCM Monday 24th April at 7.30 pm at St. Mary's
- 3. Our next food bank collection Wednesday 26th April, from 2-4 pm at St. Mary's
- 4. Refresh@10 Saturday 29th April at 10 am at St. Mary's
- 5. A request for plants to be grown for our next Parish Plant Sale
- 6. A list of people to pray for at this time

Love and prayers Alex

1. Compline Prayer - Tuesday 18th April at 8 pm - on Zoom

The next Compline Prayer will be on Tuesday 18th April, at 8 pm, on Zoom.

The link information is here:

https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/89719652215?pwd=bHVsVnp4S3NwYUIFcE9zczI2UXZPUT09 Meeting ID: 897 1965 2215 Passcode: 666364

2. Our Parish APCM - Monday 24th April at 7.30 pm - at St. Mary's

Our Parish APCM will be on Monday 24th April at 7.30 pm at St. Mary's. Please do save the date if you can and come and join us. We will be reviewing the year 2022

and celebrating some of the different ministries and projects carried out. We will also be sharing plans for the parish going forward.

3. Our next food bank collection - Wednesday 26th April, from 2-4 pm at St. Mary's

Our next food bank collection is on Wednesday 26th April, from 2-4 pm, at St. Mary's.

The food bank has currently run out of the following items: tinned fruit, pulses, long life fruit juice, savoury biscuits, noodles, powdered milk, cooking sauces, shaving foam/ gel, shampoo/ conditioner, toothpaste for adults, washing up liquid. Please do support this important cause if you can.

4. Refresh@10 - Saturday 29th April at 10 am at St. Mary's

Refresh@10, our monthly Parish Coffee Morning, will meet at 10 am on Saturday 29th April at St, Mary's. Please do come along and join together for fellowship, fun and refreshments.

5. A request for plants to be grown for our next Parish Plant Sale

On Saturday 3rd June, from 10 am - 12 pm, we will be holding another Parish Plant Sale and coffee morning at the St. Paul's Church Hall.

In order to prepare for this, we need people to be growing plants now - so that we have some to sell in a few months time.

Please let Michelle know if you are able to grow plants this year: operations@norkwithburghheath.com

A flyer for this event is attached

6. A list of people to pray for at this time

Sylvia Davis and June, Betty and Pat, following the very sudden death of Beryl Davis' son Matthew yesterday. Matthew had a massive heart attack about 10 days before this and had been in an induced coma since that time, but then sadly died. Sylvia, his wife is devastated. June, Betty, Pat and all the family are also and have asked if we can pray for them all at this time.

Jack and Sheila Plimmer - who have moved into respite care for two weeks over Easter to give Jack a break. He has been looking after Sheila wonderfully, but is exhausted. After the two weeks the plan is that they will return home again. Suzi Chilvers, as she begins to recover from surgery at the beginning of this week - and for James (her husband) and her children, Morris & Nala.

More dates for the next four months will be coming out soon - we have been working on the term cards and posters for May- August this week.

Love and prayers, Alex

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