

WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM OUR VICAR, ALEX – 3rd July 2023

Dear Church Family and Parish Friends,

Hoping you're all well.

What a wonderful weekend we all had celebrating David Packham's ordination to priest. He sends his thanks, as do I, to all who came to the cathedral on Saturday or to his first communion and/ or parish lunch yesterday. Thank you also to everyone who helped with the preparation and clearing up, all of which was greatly appreciated.

Thank you also to those who contributed to our food bank collection at St. Mary's last week, which Hilary Latham has kindly taken to the Epsom and Ewell food bank for us.

Attached are some photos from Guildford Cathedral on Saturday.

This week's news email contains information on the following:

1. Parish prayer, with compline (Tuesday 4th July at 8 pm at St. Mary's)
2. The Benestede ladies invite you to join them on Wednesday (5th July at 7pm at St. Paul's)
3. Soaking Prayer (Sunday 9th July at 4 pm at St. Mary's)
4. A thank you from Marian Bateman
5. An invitation to audition for the B5 Panto which will be in January

Love and prayers
Alex

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This month, The Benestede Ladies, who meet in St. Paul's once a month on Wednesday evenings, have extended an open invitation to anyone who would like to join them as Margaret Watson (the harpist, who came to give a concert for us previously will be visiting them). They will be meeting at 7 pm on Wednesday this week (5th July).

3. Soaking Prayer (Sunday 9th July at 4 pm at St. Mary's)

The next Soaking Prayer at St. Mary's will be at 4 pm on Sunday (9th July).

4. A thank you from Marian Bateman

Marian Bateman says thank you to everyone who prayed for her and the team who visited Romania last week. She says it was a wonderful trip and is looking forward to sharing more with us. She asks if we can please pray for God's continued work with all the people the team met during the trip and also for rest and recovery for the team members.

5. An invitation to audition for the B5 Panto which will be in January

The B5 are already preparing for their next Pantomime in January and Geoff Chant from All Saints Banstead writes the following:

Babes in the Wood

The Banstead 5 Pilgrim Pantomime Company are auditioning for their next show at the URC Woodmansterne Lane on Wednesday 12th July at 7.30. Open to all young people from year 8 upwards and also the young at heart. So do come along and be part of Banstead's very own pantomime. For Year 7 and below – don't despair you can be in the junior dancers without auditioning! For both groups just email Beverly at bsk28@hotmail.co.uk

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