



THE WEEK AHEAD

SATURDAY 27th

09.00 Morning Prayer via Zoom
10.00-12.00 Bealings Spring Plant Sale,
Bealings Village Hall. All welcome!

SUNDAY 28th (Easter 5)

08.00 BCP Eucharist, **Woodbridge**
10.00 Parish Eucharist, **Woodbridge**
15.00 Suffolk Constabulary Male Voice
Choir Concert, **St Mary's Woodbridge**
17.30 Evening Prayer, **Woodbridge**

MONDAY 29th

10.00 Time to Reflect, **Seckford Room**

TUESDAY 30th April

10.00 – 14.30 Poppy's Pantry, **SMH**
10.30 Communion at Seckford Chapel
17.00 Christian Meditation, **SMH**
19.00 **APCM, St Mary's, Great Bealings**
19.00 Bellringers' practice

WEDNESDAY 1st MAY (SS Philip & James)

19.30 Fabric Committee meeting,
Seckford Room

**THURSDAY 2nd (Athanasius, teacher of
the faith, 373)**

10.00 Said Eucharist, **Woodbridge**
11.00 **Interment of ashes of Janet Eaton,
Great Bealings**
18.30 Choir rehearsal, **SMH**

SATURDAY 4th

09.00 Morning Prayer via Zoom

SUNDAY 5th (Easter 6)

09.30 **Parish Eucharist, Great Bealings**
11.00 Parish Eucharist, **Woodbridge**
15.30 Celebration and Thanksgiving for
the Ministry of Churchwardens, **St Eds
Cathedral**
17.30 Evening Prayer, **Woodbridge**

Readings for NEXT WEEK

**Sunday 5th May
(Easter 6)**

Acts 10. 44-end
1 John 5. 1-6

***Evening Prayer:**

Psalm 96
Isaiah 60. 1-14
Revelation 3. 1-13

TODAY'S Readings

**Sunday 28th April
(Easter 5)**

Acts 8. 26-end
1 John 4. 7 – end
John 15. 1-8

NOTICES

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION (WOODBIDGE) - The annual update takes place between **16th and 30th of April**, in time for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 14th May. The form 'Application for Enrolment on the Church Electoral Roll' is available at the back of the church or from Veronica. Please sign up and increase our numbers for representation on the Deanery Synod and be able to nominate, stand and elect members to the PCC. N.B. If you are already on the Electoral Roll you don't need to sign up again!

VERONICA is stepping down as Churchwarden after two 'terms of office' and dedicated service. If you would like to contribute to a present for her, please be in touch with the Parish Office with your 'thank you' gift.

SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY MALE VOICE CHOIR – 'Spring Serenade' concert on **Sunday 28th April at 3pm**, in **St Mary's, Woodbridge** (raising funds for Just42), including soloist Mark Saberton, and 'Simply Celli'. Tickets are £15, available [here](#), and the Friends of St Mary's will be running a donation bar (proceeds to the Fabric Fund).

ORGAN RECITAL - On **Sunday 28th April** our director of music will be giving the organ recital before **Evensong at King's College Cambridge**. All are welcome to attend: the recital begins at **2.30pm** and is followed by Evensong; tickets are not required. James would be delighted to see you there.

MOTHERS' UNION - our next meeting, plus Branch Communion, will be on **Thursday 9th May at 2:15pm**. Our talk this month will be on 'Being a Prison Visitor' by Pauline Bowbrick. All are welcome. Also, tickets are now available for our **June 13th 'Cream Tea' afternoon**, starting time of 3:00pm, priced at £5.00 per person from either Anne Wright, Margaret Lowe, Jean Cobb or Pauline Bowbrick.

VIOLIN RECITAL – Eliza Burkitt (violin) with Daniel Law (piano) showcasing works by Kala Ramnath, Ysaye, Coleridge-Taylor and Sarasate, on **Sunday 19th May at 3pm** in **St Mary's, Woodbridge**. Retiring collection, with proceeds to be shared between Friends of St Mary's and the musicians themselves.

ANNUAL CHURCH CRAWL - The annual Church Crawl with Roy Tricker is on **Friday 14th June**. We are visiting Iken Church in the morning, lunch at The Plough and Sail and then Snape Church in the afternoon. Everyone very welcome. If you are interested please contact Anna Ashton on 01394 384299 or Margaret Lowe on 01394 383486 **before the end of May** at the latest.

NEW 'SOCIAL' COORDINATOR is needed, please, for our **Summer Fair on 6th July** now... so that a first meeting of volunteers can be organised.

PCC VACANCIES - There are currently three five-year vacancies and up to three 'casual' vacancies, each of two years, available, plus one two-year slot as one of our three representatives on the Deanery Synod. Please talk to any current PCC member or either Churchwarden for further information. Nomination papers for PCC and Deanery Synod roles are available from Parish Office or from Veronica. We need you!

SUNDAY COFFEE ROTA - AFTER THE 10AM SERVICE - There is currently a vacancy for someone to join the 4th Sunday team or become a 'reserve'. The rota operates on 2nd, 3rd, 4th (& 5th) Sundays. To find out more, talk to anyone 'on duty' and/or pass your name to Janet Symons, Veronica Howe or Caroline Hawksley. This is a really good way to get to know more people!

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK is 12th to 18th May this year. As last year Churches Together will be delivering envelopes to most letter boxes in the Woodbridge area. No going back to collect. Slips in the envelopes will explain how to give anonymously via [our dedicated page online](#) or to where to return donations in envelopes. If you would like to help by delivering some envelopes or by sitting somewhere warm doing preparatory work please ring Tony Waller on 01394386786 or email anjwaller@uwclub.net

NEW PLANS FOR ST MARY'S HOUSE & CHURCH - Please have a good look around our Architect's plans and display... and take an accompanying in-house leaflet explaining our hopes for both historic buildings, subject of course, to different Planning permissions.

Please [click here](#) to see the huge variety of possible Trusts available to us nationally.

We are planning to launch a public Appeal: from Sunday June 30th onwards, by which time we will have a clearer picture of total costs - and the exciting challenges ahead!
(Rector & Church Wardens)

LIVING IN FAITH & LOVE – The PCC have agreed (we are a little late coming to this CofE 'party') that we must as Churches, and a Benefice, have an opportunity to discuss this book / course on human relationships and sexuality ([click here](#)). The course booklet is available to buy £4.99 each) from our Church Shop. The following five **Wednesday** dates have been chosen:

15th May to 12th June inclusive

Each session will be 90 minutes, from **7.30pm to 9pm**, inside **St Mary's, Woodbridge**.

ST MARY'S SHOP - *As far as possible Fair trade, sustainable or local* - The shop is well stocked with all sorts of lovely Fairtrade food. As usual we have a selection of teas and ground coffee but did you know we also have peanut butter, raw cane sugar, dates, olive oil, wild herb mix etc? and lots of chocolate!!

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

(please [click here](#) for the Diocesan Prayer Diary)

For all the baptised in Woodbridge and Great Bealings, that we may grow in our Easter faith, and our commitment each to the other. For our Deanery seeking a new Rural Dean, and Rich, our Archdeacon...

Give thanks for all who work on the land, our farmers and horticulturalists; our local retailers and shopkeepers...

Pray for peace throughout the Middle East and all victims of war or oppression; for the work of Amnesty International and Christian Aid...

Give thanks for all among whom we live and work, and relax, for our families and loved ones, near and far...

Among the sick: John Sanderson, Brenda Prior, Barbara Mellor, and Jennifer Workman

Among the recently departed: for Norma Cashmore, Roberta Jones, Maureen Holmes, and Dorothy ('Doff') Whymark (Grove Court)

COLLECT

(PRAYER FOR THE WEEK)

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love
for the world
and the wonder of your risen
life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we
serve,
to the glory of God the Father.
AMEN

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way,
the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for
ever.
AMEN

Please contact the Benefice Office for all Baptism, Wedding and Funeral enquiries, and enquiries regarding bookings for the church or St Mary's House, on 01394 388820 or parish.office@stmaryswoodbridge.org

THIS WEEK: Benefice Office Opening Hours are Tuesday & Wednesday 9am to 12.30pm ONLY

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