



WEEKLY NOTES

Patronal Festival

3 September 2017

8:00am HOLY COMMUNION *(Common Worship)*

The service begins on page **167** of the black book. The readings are:

A reading from Genesis.

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.' The man named his wife Eve, because she was the mother of all who live.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** *(Genesis 3.8-15,20)*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** *(John 19:25-27)*

After the offertory collection, we use Prayer **B** on page **188**. We continue with the Lord's Prayer on page **178**.

10:00am SUNG EUCHARIST

A separate order of service is available.

Sharing the love of Christ, the Light of the World, with the people of Ewell

NOTICES

NEW The flowers at the front of church today are sponsored by Kate Basham in loving memory of her beloved husband Brian.

Tea/Coffee rota for Sundays after the 9.30 a.m. service and following the monthly Choral Evensong. We are looking for volunteers to join this flexible rota. The more we have the fewer occasions you will have to be 'on duty' - maybe once in five, six or seven weeks! Please speak with the existing volunteers or to one of the Churchwardens. Thank you.

Epsom and Ewell Food Bank The current wish list is for: Toilet rolls, Custard, Squash, Pasta Sauce, Sugar, Sponge puddings, Male deodorants, Mashed potato packets, Toothbrushes, Sauces i.e. ketchup, Tinned rice pudding, Tinned potatoes. Donations can be left in the basket by the main church door.

Ewell Parish News September Edition is on sale by the south porch. The deadline for the October edition is noon on Monday 11 September.

This Saturday: 9am–4pm Ride and Stride. We would like to have the church open all day for those taking part in Ride and Stride raising money for the Historic Churches Trust– and any other visitors who come that day. If you can volunteer to man the church for an hour or more please speak to a warden.

Photographic Competition This year there will be a photographic competition as part of 'A Day for All' on 23 September. Entry will be free and there will be two categories of 12 years and under and 13 years and above. To fit with the theme of the day suggested topics are plants and pets, fruits and

flowers, leaves and landscapes, berries and trees – or anything else you might think of! Details are in the leaflet (copies at the back of church) or on the church website.

The major refurbishment of the parish office is making very good progress. Office opening hours are expected to continue this week as usual, but the refurbishment should be completed this week so please be aware there will be significant disruptions to routine. Thank you to those who have been inconvenienced by the relocation for their generous forbearance. Please phone or email ahead to make appointments. There will be reduced opening hours 11-22 September.

THIS WEEK

Monday

Home Communions

10:30am Day for all planning team meeting 17 Beech Walk

Tuesday

10am Holy Eucharist

Wednesday

10:30–12noon Coffee Morning in the church hall.

Saturday

The church will be open for "Ride and Stride".

NEXT SUNDAY

13th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

9:30am Sung Eucharist *with children's hour– back at the normal time*

11:15am Choral Mattins

5pm All-in all-age service

6pm Club Sandwich for 7-11s

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WHAT'S ON

Every Sunday: 8 & 9:30am services.

Sat 9 Sept: The church will be open for Ride-n-Stride and other visitors.

Also: 10am-4pm at Guildford Cathedral.

Diocesan Day of Healing &

Wholeness, featuring teaching, workshops, worship & healing prayer.

Keynote Speaker: Revd Wes Sutton, Director of Acorn Christian Healing Foundation. All welcome. Programme and booking information here:

<https://www.acornchristian.org/events/2017/09/09/diocesan-day-healing-and-wholeness-guildford-cathedral/>

Sue Ayling will be going and can offer lifts to three people (020 8337 6347).

NEW Sun 17 Sep: 11am Toddle Up! 5:30pm Choral Evensong.

UPDATED

23 September

Autumn Glories

A day for all

This is an exciting day for everyone to enjoy— all free except for the fish and chip supper (see below). This year there is a photographic competition— see separate item above under 'Notices'.

The full programme of varied activities for all ages and information about the photographic competition are in leaflets available at the back of church, at

www.stmarysewell.com/events/a-day-for-all-2/ and in September's EPN.

If you want to order fish and chips, which will be served at 5.30pm in the hall, please buy your ticket (price £5.30p) no later than Wednesday 20 Sept. Tickets are available from Sue Ayling or from the Parish Office. A vegetarian alternative is available.

As people come into church on the day, maybe for the first time, we'd like to have someone to welcome them. If you can spare just one hour to be a welcomer, please sign the list at the back of church. Many thanks.

NEW Sun 24 Sep: 11:15am Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism.

NEW Sun 1 Oct: Harvest Thanksgiving. 11am Praise@11 all-age service for Harvest Thanksgiving.

NEW Sat 7 Sep: 7:30pm Fauré's Requiem from Scratch. All are welcome to come and hear the performance, £7 adults, £1 under 16s. All rehearsal for the scratch choir will be on the day: watch this space for details of how to take part.

First communion classes for children in our church aged 7+ will start in the next few weeks, meeting once a month, for first Holy Communion in 2018. Children who take this path are then able to receive the sacrament of Confirmation at an older age. Please speak to the Vicar to find out more.

PRAYERS

Collect for the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Almighty and everlasting God,
who stooped to raise fallen humanity
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:
grant that we, who have seen your glory
 revealed in our human nature
and your love made perfect in our weakness,
may daily be renewed in your image
and conformed to the pattern of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

God most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank you that
 in this sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary
 the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Sunday Prayer Cycle

Today we pray for the church
and for the Dioceses of San
Diego and San Joaquin,
In the Episcopal Church of
the USA; in our diocese, for
the Parish Development and
Evangelism Team including
their support for parishes as
they engage with the
diocesan strategy
Transforming Church:
Transforming Lives; for the
mission of our own parish,
and our openness as a
church to being transformed
and our willingness to be
transformative in the
community of the parish; and
for all who live in John Gale
Court.

Prayer Resources

Please light a candle and
add a prayer to our **prayer
board**.

You can ask our **prayer
chain** to pray for you or for
someone else. Contact
Wendy Varney on 020 8393
5212.

After most services there
are people available who will
be happy to talk quietly and
pray with you– ask a
welcomer for more details.