

# ST MARY'S GAMLINGAY, HATLEY ST GEORGE & ST MARY'S EVERTON



## Weekly newsletter 24 May 2024



### *From Hilary:*

Pentecost Sunday brought to an end the season of 'Thy Kingdom Come' prayers, with Birthday Celebrations (see birthday cake!) in both churches and an afternoon Treasure Hunt at Gamlingay, St Mary's. 'Well Done' and 'Thank You' to everyone who made the day special.



Trinity Sunday this week, celebrating the central mystery of our faith after the resurrection of Jesus, ushers in Ordinary Time. Arrangements for the Sunday designated as Music Sunday have not, at the time of writing, been finalized but will include a special service at Gamlingay at least. Watch out for further details.

### **Next week Bible studies**

**Monday:** 10.30am Bible study at the Rectory - please let Hilary know if you are attending.

**Thursday evening** Christian Basics group meets at church for learner bell practice at 7pm, followed by time at the Rectory around 8.15pm.

## ***NEWS FROM EVERTON***

**Community Soup Lunch** takes place next week on Tuesday 28th May in the Village Hall from 12-2pm, with delicious soups plus bread and cakes and shared fellowship. Thanks to all contributors (no Hilary again this week as there is a funeral).

**Church Coffee Morning** takes place in the Village Hall on Saturday 1st June.

**SUMMER  
COFFEE  
MORNING**

**SATURDAY  
JUNE 1ST  
2024**

Garden stall, cakes, tombola, jams,  
books, raffle, and much much more

Proceeds - St Mary's Church, Everton

**LOCATION**  
Everton village hall

**10-12  
PM**

# ***NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY***

**Treasure Hunt:** Well done to Jane Orchiston and all who worked with her from the fundraising task group and beyond to make the event a success financially as well as socially. Thank you to all the cake- makers, Treasure Hunt organiser Amanda, and Andrew who took people up to the ringing chamber. Not everyone appreciated the scary stairs so well done to the young ones who went up and down them! The amount raised for church funds was just over £171.

**Simple Lunch** on Tuesday 21st May in the church hall was enjoyed as usual by those attending, although with several absences. Thank you to Jane, Ann and Vivienne for helping set up and tidy away. We benefitted greatly from extra cakes this week - thank you to those responsible.

**Last Saturday** Maggie and Ollie were married in a spectacular musical celebration at St Mary's - special thanks to everyone who contributed to that service.

**Memory Lane** takes place next week (28th May) at the Ecohub. The activity this time is Walking Football. Team captains have been designated already; it may be that, after we've had a go, some of us will be encouraged into the Thursday sessions of walking football currently taking place. The session will of course also include the usual refreshments.

**Gamlingay School** pupils are due to visit St Mary's this week, report next time.

## **Funerals:**

**Peter Thorpe's funeral** is this Friday at 2.30pm in church at Gamlingay

**Nicole Giddings' funeral** takes place at Bedford Crematorium on Tuesday 28th May at 10.45am

**Rita Hutchinson's funeral** is next Wednesday at 11am in church at Gamlingay

## **Jodie's Licensing Service at Sandy**

Those of you who knew Jodie Brown when she attended St Mary's in the past and have followed her progress to ordination may be interested to hear that she is returning to the area as Rector of St. Swithun's church in Sandy. Her licensing service will take place on Wednesday 10 July at 7.30pm in the Church of St Swithun's, High Street, Sandy SG19 1AQ, (Free car parking available in the Town Council Car Park opposite). The Service will be followed by refreshments in the Church.

If you would like to attend the service please let Colin Osborne, Churchwarden at St Swithun's, know by 12 June so that numbers of attendees are available to the PCC of St Swithun's to help with planning seating and refreshments. Contact details are: colin.osborne@codo.co.uk; 2 Leeds Smith Drive, Sandy, Beds, SG19 1LU, Telephone: 01767 682032.

# SERVICE INFORMATION

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May: Trinity Sunday

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay  
11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June: Trinity 1

9.30am All Age Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay  
11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

## Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June: Trinity 2, celebrating Music Sunday TBC

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay  
11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton  
2.30pm Baptism at Hatley St George - George Robert Blandy

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June: Trinity 3

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay with a focus on healing  
4.00pm Evensong at Everton

## Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: Trinity 4

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay  
11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June: Trinity 5

9.00am Said Benefice Eucharist at Hatley St George  
10.am Thanksgiving service Gamlingay  
6.00pm Thanksgiving Service Everton

## HEADS UP:

The last Sunday in June is a fifth Sunday which we have customarily made a shared service in one of the Parish churches. This month the fifth Sunday is being used to say 'thank you' to people in each parish for what they do for the church, so there is a service in each place. The Parish churches will have non-Eucharistic services with invitations to people from the communities to contribute to and be thanked during the celebration. The Benefice Eucharist will take place in Hatley St George church at 9am.

Please be in touch with thoughts for whom we should invite specifically and put the word out there to see if you can bring someone along to whom we should be saying 'thank you'.

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## Fundraising Matters

Thanks to everyone who came or was involved in running the Treasure Trail which raised £171.00 and reached out to a different group of people. It was lovely to see so many children running around the church and clambering up (with supervision!) into the lower reaches of the tower!

**PLEASE** does anyone have a gas barbecue we could borrow for the Summer Fete on 22<sup>nd</sup> June? We have a volunteer to do all the work, but we do actually need the equipment!

# SUMMER FETE



## OLYMPIC CELEBRATION

**22nd JUNE 2024**

### St Mary the Virgin Church, Gamlingay

To celebrate the Olympics this year, we are inviting all individuals, teams, societies, clubs and organisations to display their talents by making an Olympic related item to be displayed in church for all to see. Why not use this as an opportunity to advertise your group and demonstrate your role in the community?

If you would like to take part or to find out more, please email [stmarysgamevents@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysgamevents@outlook.com).

This newsletter is circulated by mail each week to all on the Church Electoral Roll plus anyone else who gives their email details and requests it. It contains any news we have been given to share in our villages (Everton, Gamlingay and the Hatleys) plus news of what's going on in all three churches in the two parishes of the Benefice. Gamlingay with the Hatleys is one parish while Everton and Tetworth is the second linked parish in the current Benefice - both looked after by one parish priest.

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