

Parish Magazine

July 2018



Meet and Make's Dinosaurs for the hymn "All Things Bright and Beautiful"
at St Mary's Church Art Exhibition

Our regular monthly events include:

Every week:

Tuesday Meet and Make 2 - 4 pm St Andrew's Centre
Saturday Coffee Morning at St Andrew's Centre

First week of the month

Thursday Mothers Union - Quiet time (from 11-45 am) followed by lunch and meeting
Saturday Coffee morning in St Catherine's Hall

Second week of the month

Wednesday Cuppa and chat at St Mary's Hall

Third week of the month

Wednesday Mothers Union - 7:30 pm Meeting at St Catherine's Hall
Thursday Prayer and Meditation - 2 pm St Catherine's Church

Fourth week of the month

Wednesday Cuppa and chat at St Mary's Hall
Thursday House Group - 10 am at 2 Adam Way

Supporting Basildon Women's Refuge

Due to lack of space; Please only take items to St. Andrew's Church on the last FRIDAY (or as near as possible) of each month; then they can be taken to the refuge. If you are unable to take our offering to St. Andrew's then please do pass it to one of your Church Wardens or your Priest.

The Gateway Project – Foodbank

We are in need of:

Tinned fruit - Dried spaghetti – Cereals - Coffee

CLERGY ON THE MOVE

At the end of July, we will be saying goodbye to the Simpkins family, as they move to Lexden in Colchester, where **Matt** will be licensed as priest-in-charge in September. Matt's last service will be at St Andrew's at 10.30 am on 29 July, and there will be a farewell lunch at from 12.30 pm, to which friends across the parish are invited.

And in the autumn we will also be saying farewell to **Norbert**, Mercy, Steven, and Trisa, as Norbert moves to take a house-for-duty post, looking after three churches in the Risborough Team Ministry in Buckinghamshire. There will, of course, be a chance to celebrate and thank them before they go, but we don't know dates and arrangements as yet.

They will all be much missed: we have been greatly blessed by all that they have brought to us and shared with us, and we wish them all the best in new places and new ministries. Please pray for our priests, for families as they move, and for the parishes they will be serving.

Jane

WEEKLY PEW SHEET

Our weekly sheet is one of the principal ways we share information about the life of the parish, and especially about forthcoming events. If there is something you would particularly like to highlight, please email linda.boar@yahoo.co.uk.

And please, everyone, do read the sheet!

Reshaping a Team

When people ask me how I have managed to stay for twenty years in one place, I always answer that, apart from the dynamic people I walk alongside, whilst I have been here I have served in 20 different versions of the clergy team. For each time someone leaves or arrives, so a new team is formed, new relationships are explored and a new shape emerges.

To be perfectly honest, my time working with Jane and Norbert, and latterly with Sue and Matt, has been the most dynamic, creative and affirming of all its many versions.

And now we prepare to reshape and reimagine the ministry that lies ahead. Two exciting and good colleagues are departing and we will need to envisage what that will look and feel like. Inevitably there will be the 'holding things together' that goes with interregna/vacancies, but, like the others we have experienced, there will be a good chance to look afresh at what we do.

However, like any 'loss', there will be a visceral reaction to grasp what we have and hold it tight. A fear that if we let go of something else, we will be left destitute.

So, we will need to breathe. Drawing in a breath that will inspire us to be generous. To discern what we can let go of, giving thanks that we have experienced it. To decide what our focus and shape will be. And, knowing the grace of God that moved through us

In the meanwhile, we can take advantage of the moments we have to thank God for those who we have shared these last years with.

Jo

29th July – A Farewell to Matt

After the morning services we will gather at St Andrew's Church for lunch.



This will be our opportunity to be with Matt and to thank him for his excellent and thoughtful ministry with us.

We also celebrate our journey with Sian, Martha and Jimmy, wishing them well and praying for them in the next stage of their travels.

A Messy Walls of Jericho

21st July - St Andrew's Church

2 - 4 pm

News

Confirmation

21st October at St Andrew's Church, Basildon

Preparation 8th October

For more information
please speak to one of the clergy.



Pilgrim

A course will run in September and October
on a Monday evening and Thursday
afternoon – week beginning 10th September.

More details to follow

A Quiet Day

We gathered in the Barn Church at Great Totham to be led by our friend, Jo Jones. Jo had been on a placement with us when she was a curate in Malden and had enriched the ministry here with her great compassion and kindness.

We were fortunate that she was able to lead us through a time of silence and creative thought.



The Barn Church was a good venue, those who came proved excellent fellow travellers and we all came away refreshed, challenged and still.



Many thanks to Jane for finding this venue and to all those who came.



I would suggest that you mark next year's date in your diary (it is being organised now) so that you too can benefit from this day.



100 club winners

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FILM SHOW

26th July

ST. CATHERINE'S HALL

2 pm

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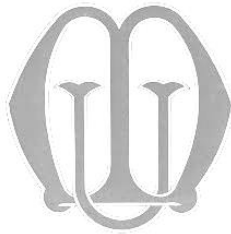
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“ MOTHER TERESA ”



A NUN STRUGGLES TO PRACTISE HER FAITH AT THE
FRONTIERS OF POVERTY

WICKFORD AND RUNWELL MOTHER'S UNION



Tony Wagstaff came to our evening meeting in May to explain the meaning of his talk “Pig’s Ears” which had aroused our curiosity.

Tony works for the “Family Support and Youth Offenders” service of Southend Council, working with young offenders.

Each year the group create a garden at the Hampton Court Flower Show run by the Royal Horticultural Society. Over the past nine years they have been very successful, winning many awards, including two “Silver Gilt” (no mean achievement) this has helped the youngsters gain valuable skills in horticulture and so helps them gain employment in the future.

Tony brought some of their handiwork with him, in the form of trugs and plant pots, for sale, which were soon snapped up by our members.

We also saw plans for the garden they are planning for this year’s show. We wish them every success and hope they bring home the bacon!

What a great job Tony is doing.

Once again, we gathered in Muriel and John's lovely garden for our annual garden party. The weather was kind to us, the roses and honeysuckle were in full bloom and we enjoyed a relaxing time together over a shared lunch followed by strawberries and cream.



The Chinese auction that followed raised £52.50 for funds. A big thankyou to Muriel and John for hosting this event again, it is much appreciated by everyone.

Meetings for July

Thursday 5th

Afternoon Tea at the Cliff's Pavilion, lifts are being arranged

Wednesday July 18th

Quiet Evening in St. Catherine's

led by the Rev Gill Hopkins.

Members of our congregations are very welcome to attend.

No meetings in August, see you in September!

ST MARY'S CHURCH ART EXHIBITION

"HYMNS ANCIENT AND MODERN"

A taste for those who weren't able to see it.







“To see hopeful families living with dignity in a positive environment free of HIV and AIDS”

A brief history of the group we support as a Parish

Through the years HIV/AIDS has reached an alarming level in the Mombasa Road corridor. The Mlolongo area has a concentration

of ‘truck stops’, manufacturing facilities and commercial sex for survival which have contributed to the spread of the disease.

Initially named Living Positive Mlolongo, our organization started as a small Community Based Organization (CBO) in 2010 in Mlolongo, Kenya. When our founder was doing social work in hospitals and neighbourhoods in Mlolongo, she became aware of the lack of services and support for HIV positive individuals as well as their children.

Due to the demand for additional services in other areas outside of Mlolongo, in 2015 we obtained official status as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) with the new name: Positive Life Kenya. This change allows us to obtain a tax exemption status and continue expanding our efforts to reach out to as many families as possible.

Today, we serve more than 300 women and children in five different slums and informal settlements around Mlolongo and Athi River. We also support the outreach efforts in other areas in Western Kenya.

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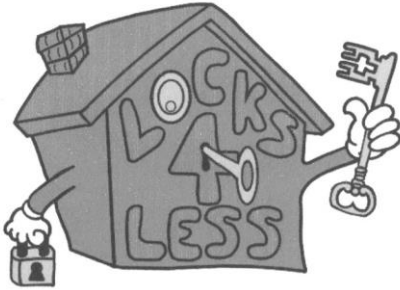
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as the Bishop of Bradwell

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	Jo Delfgou	St. Mary's Church	732068
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	Sue Wise (available Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)		07941 506156

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	Electoral Roll Officer	Pam Petts	

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	Hall Lettings - contact 766749		

<u>St Catherine's</u>	Churchwarden	Richard Feldwick	733362
	Churchwarden	Andrew Morl	
	D.C.C. Secretary	Sarah Randall	
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	Churchwarden	Lisa Griffiths	
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	Hall Bookings - contact either 765360 or 732033		

Mothers' Union Enrolling Member: Jeannette Cardnell

**FOR INFORMATION ON GIFT AID AND PLANNED GIVING PLEASE CONTACT
CHRIS BEAUCHAMP ON 762205.**

SUNDAY SERVICES

<u>St Andrew's</u>	9:30am	Sung Eucharist
	6:30pm	Healing Eucharist (<i>on 3rd Sunday</i>)
<u>St Catherine's</u>	8:00am	Holy Communion
	9:30am	Family Worship
	11:00am	Sung Eucharist
	6:30pm	Evening Prayer (<i>Sung Evensong 4th Sunday</i>)
<u>St Mary's</u>	9:30am	Sung Eucharist
	6:30pm	Taizé (<i>2nd Sunday</i>)

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer at St Catherine's
Tuesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer at St Andrew's
	7:30 pm	Eucharist at St Mary's
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer at St Catherine's
	9:30am	Eucharist at St Catherine's
	10:30 am	Eucharist at St Andrew's
Thursday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's
	10:00 am	Eucharist at St Mary's

OFFICE HOURS

St Andrew	Saturdays	11:00 - 11:30am	in the Church
St Catherine	Mondays	7:00 - 8:00pm	in the Church
St Mary	Mondays	7:00 - 7:30pm	in St Mary's Hall

Articles for the next Magazine to the Editor by 15th of the month

Thank you - email: delfgou@live.co.uk

And our website: <http://wickfordandrundwellparish.org.uk/index.php>