

Newsletter 11th February 2024



St. Mary the Virgin, Hartfield
Holy Trinity, Colemans Hatch



Transfiguration

For that one moment, 'in and out of time',
On that one mountain where all moments meet,
The daily veil that covers the sublime
In darkling glass fell dazzled at his feet.
There were no angels full of eyes and wings
Just living glory full of truth and grace.
The Love that dances at the heart of things
Shone out upon us from a human face
And to that light the light in us leaped up,
We felt it quicken somewhere deep within,
A sudden blaze of long-extinguished hope
Trembled and tingled through the tender skin.
Nor can this blackened sky, this darkened scar
Eclipse that glimpse of how things really are.

by Malcolm Guite

Our Services Today

Sunday 11th February

9.30am – Morning Worship - St Mary's
11am – Holy Communion - Holy Trinity

Upcoming Services



Wednesday 14th February – Ash Wednesday

10.30am – Imposition of Ashes and Holy
Communion - St Mary's
Service will be conducted by
Rev'd David Tidswell



Sunday 18th February

9.30am – Holy Communion, where we welcome
Rev David Tidswell – St Mary's
11am – Matins – Holy Trinity

Sunday 25th February

9.30am – Morning Worship – St Mary's
11am – Holy Communion – Holy Trinity

Sunday 3rd March

9.30am – Holy Communion – St Mary's
11am – Matins – Holy Trinity
6.30pm – Choral Evensong – Holy Trinity

Sunday 10th March

Mothering Sunday

9.30am – All Age Mothering Sunday Service – St Mary's
11am - Mothering Sunday Holy Communion –
Holy Trinity

2 Kings 2:1-12

Elijah taken up to heaven

¹When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, ‘Stay here; the Lord has sent me to Bethel.’

But Elisha said, ‘As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you.’ So they went down to Bethel.

³The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, ‘Do you know that the Lord is going to take your master from you today?’

‘Yes, I know,’ Elisha replied, ‘so be quiet.’

⁴Then Elijah said to him, ‘Stay here, Elisha; the Lord has sent me to Jericho.’

And he replied, ‘As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you.’ So they went to Jericho.

⁵The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, ‘Do you know that the Lord is going to take your master from you today?’

‘Yes, I know,’ he replied, ‘so be quiet.’

⁶Then Elijah said to him, ‘Stay here; the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.’

And he replied, ‘As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you.’ So the two of them walked on.

⁷Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. ⁸Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, ‘Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?’

‘Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit,’ Elisha replied.

¹⁰‘You have asked a difficult thing,’ Elijah said, ‘yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours – otherwise, it will not.’

¹¹As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. ¹²Elisha saw this and cried out, ‘My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!’ And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

Mark 9:2-9

The transfiguration

²After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them.

³His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

⁵Peter said to Jesus, ‘Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters – one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.’ ⁶(He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

⁷Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: ‘This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!’

⁸Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Collect Prayers

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LENT GROUP

Why Good Friday?

Holy Trinity Church, Coleman's Hatch

Session Details

Start Date: Saturday 24th February 2024 - 11am
Did Jesus really have to die?

Session 2: Saturday 2nd March 2024 - 11am
Why do we say he died as a sacrifice for our sins?
What purpose did it serve?

Session 3: Saturday 16th March 2024 - 11am
How do we benefit from Jesus' death?

There will be relevant bible readings at each session, so do please bring your bible, but we do have spare bibles should anybody want one.

You may like to bring a note pad.
Each session will last about one to one and a half hours.

If you would like to attend or have questions,
please Contact Donna on
dewardonna@gmail.com

Deanery Synod

Which will be held at St Mary's Church in Hartfield.

On 5th March 2024,

at 7pm for Refreshments, with the aim to start at 7.30pm.

The Speaker will be Rev'd Ben Lucas who is the Associate Vicar at All Saints', Lindfield.

He will be talking about the year of the New Testament in the Diocese and helping us to engage with the Gospel of St John.

Village Fete AGM - we would really like to see as many people joining us to share thoughts and ideas for future events and especially this year's village fete - Saturday 7th September.

If you know of anyone not already connected with the running of the Fete who would like to get involved or maybe put themselves forward for a role on the committee please ask them to come along on:

- **Tuesday 27th February, 7.00pm**
- **Venue - St Mary the Virgin Primary School**

Refreshments will be provided - if you are able to join us, please advise Andrea McGlew hartfieldfete2023@gmail.com

The Cowden Lent Group

Starts on Tuesday 20th February at 2.30 pm.

Location is 1, The Paddocks, just off the Edenbridge Road.

The group will be following an HTB course on The Letter of James.

If anyone is interested in joining, please contact

Hilary Clarkson (07561 421274

or cowdenchurchwarden@btinternet.com)

or

Tim Jackson (07718126503 or timjackson317@hotmail.com).



World Day of Prayer



Friday 1st March

2pm

**Holy Trinity, Coleman's
Hatch**

The Christian Women of Palestine, the land where our faith is rooted, are calling us to 'Bear with one another with love'. Despite living in an area of the world where there is ongoing conflict and the future is uncertain, the women of Palestine are sharing with love a reminder that they are there, that they will not give up witnessing to the love of Jesus Christ and that they want to give hope to everyone.

World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation celebrated in over 146 countries. This provides a wonderful opportunity for our Churches to come together. After the Service, refreshments will be served. Do come and join us!

For more information contact Joanne Griffin

on 07941 856715

or msjoannegriffin@gmail.com





Trinity Cafe

In Trinity Hall, Coleman's Hatch
From 9.30am-12pm
With tea, coffee and Homemade cakes
Everyone is welcome.

Next dates are:

Thursday 22nd February

Thursday 14th March

Thursday 28th March

For more information, please contact:

Caroline Daszewska 01342 321150

Sheila Van Maurik 01892 770273

Eve James 07753 615032



Church Street Community Cafe

1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 2pm - 4pm.

Homemade cake, tea, and coffee.

Everyone welcome.

Table with crafts and games for children.

upcoming dates

Thursday 15th February

Thursday 7th March

Thursday 21st March

Thursday 4th April

For more information contact Joanne Griffin on
07941 856715 or msjoannegriffin@gmail.com





TRINITY HALL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Our experienced caller, Alex, leads us with kindness and patience and it's quite surprising how quickly we learn the steps! The music is uplifting, exuberant, and always enjoyable. We are keen to recruit new participants so if you would like to join, we meet on the 4th Friday each month starting at 7pm, with a break at 8pm for our supper which we bring with us.

£5 per person which includes a glass of wine.

Children free and most welcome.

no experience necessary

For more information: Caroline 07513 290482

TRINITY—
—Talks



Trinity Hall, behind Holy Trinity Church,
Coleman's Hatch, TN7 4HN

Friday 16th February 2024, 6.00pm

Political Journalism
by
Asa Bennett

The Telegraph

The talk will begin at 6.00pm and will last for about 45 minutes.

Refreshments will be available from 5.45

and also after the Talk, when

Asa will be happy to answer your questions.



Our next talk will be on Friday 15th March 2024

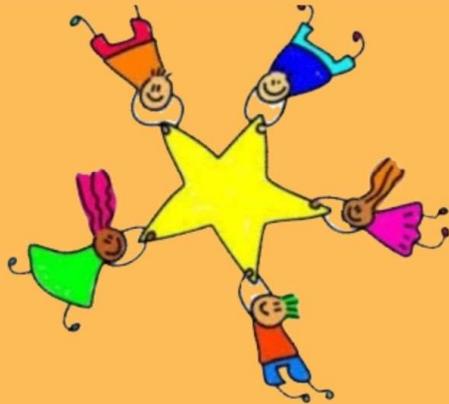
Missing Harts Lane

by

Kika & Pippa Markham

LITTLE STARS

Parent & toddler group
Mondays @ St Mary's Church,
Hartfield



Upcoming dates

19th February

26th February

4th March

11th March

9.15 to 10.45am Tea and Coffee Provided

CONNECT

For young people aged 10+

Join us for games,
food and fun
From 5-6.15pm in
the Village Hall

Thursday dates are

22nd February

14th March

28th March

25th April

For more information
please contact Matt Marriott at
m.marriott@btconnect.com

CONNECT EXTRA

**Held in the Oast House in the Anchor car park from 5pm-6pm,
A monthly meeting for our connect crew.**

Where Matt and Christina can share some food while we chat, read and question, while exploring the Christian faith together.

**For more information
please contact Matt Marriott at
m.marriott@btconnect.com**

**Thursday dates are:
15th February
21st March
18th April**

Sunday **CONNECT**

For young people aged 10+

**Held in the Rectory from 9.30am,
for breakfast and chats,
before heading back to church
for communion.**

*Come, relax and chat as we
build relationship with Jesus
and each other!!*

**For more information please contact Matt Marriott at
m.marriott@btconnect.com**

**Sunday dates are:
3rd March
17th March
21st April
5th May**



Sunday Discoverers

Discover us every 1st & 3rd Sunday morning at 9.30am, as we find out more about our Creator

This term's dates: 3rd March, 17th March, 21st April, 5th May

For more information please contact Rev Julie Sear at revjuliesear1@gmail.com or 01892770436



Please note items must be in date, not homemade and non-perishable

Clothes Washing Liquid
Fruit Juice 1LTR Long Life
Hair Conditioner
Hair Shampoo

Packet of Biscuits
Shaving Foam
Shower Gel
Washing up Liquid

if you would like to donate to East Grinstead food bank, there are boxes in both churches.

For more information visit eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk



This week we are praying for...

For peace and justice in our world. For the leaders of the nations. For our government and all who bear responsibility on our nation, for wisdom to seek first justice and peace. Ukraine. Israel and Gaza.

For refugees, the international response to the refugee crisis – and for our own response.

For those who are unwell and undergoing tests.

All those who have been bereaved.

For the Family of David Cooper. His funeral will be held at St Mary's Church on Wednesday 21st February at 11.30am.

For our Rural Dean Julie.

Pray especially for churches during time of vacancy.

For the churches in our deanery Rotherfield and Markcross; Ticehurst and Flimwell.

We give thanks that there has been an application for a house for duty Priest at Cowden, interviews are to be held in February.

With every blessing,
Rev Julie

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Deadline for next newsletter is 12pm Monday 19th February.

If you would like something placed into the newsletter please send it to
admsmht@gmail.com



***I can do
all things through***

Him
***Who gives me
Strength***

Philippians 4:13