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The bi-monthly magazine of St. Mark's Church, Biggin Hill  
February & March 2018

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## Services at St. Mark's

### Sundays

**8.00am Holy Communion (1662)**

**10.30am Parish Communion** (Except 1st Sunday)

**10.30am 1st Sunday** - An All Age Service takes place in the church and is a very informal worship, which is ideal for families, new Christians and those exploring Christianity.

### Wednesdays

**10.00am Holy Communion Service**

## January 2018

I wonder when was the last time you gave someone some flowers? We give flowers for all sorts of reasons. Perhaps on Valentine's day we gave flowers to someone to say 'I love you'. Maybe we have taken flowers recently to someone who is unwell, to say 'I'm thinking of you'. We might have given flowers as a 'thank you' for an act of kindness. It could be that giving flowers has been a way of saying 'I'm sorry' to someone.



Flowers are a way of communicating many messages. Sometimes they can say more than words. Flowers have a language all of their own.

On Mothering Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March, during our 10.30am service in church, we shall be giving flowers to those who care for us. I imagine we might want to convey all those 'flower messages' to our mothers, grandmothers, aunts and carers. It's an opportunity to say, 'thank you', 'I love you', 'I'm sorry' 'I'm thinking of you'. We shall also be lighting candles to remember those mothers who are sadly no longer with us.

It is thought the idea of Mothering Sunday began when centuries ago people returned to their home or 'mother church' once a year. This happened in the middle of Lent, the church season which starts on Ash Wednesday and finishes before Easter. People visiting their mother church would say they had gone 'a mothering'. It became the custom that children who were 'in service' would be given one day off each year to visit their families, this was usually Mothering Sunday. Sometimes girls would be allowed to bake their mothers a cake. As these young maids and servants walked home they would often pick flowers to take to church to give to their mothers.

Jesus himself used flowers to illustrate a point about trusting in God. He said 'And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon on all his glory was not clothed like one of these.' (Mt 6:28)

Jesus reminds us that God has created a beautiful world with beautiful flowers in it. If God cares so much about flowers, how much more does He care about us, His human creation? God wants us to trust Him and love Him, and to make room for Him in our lives.



Maybe Mothering Sunday might be a good time for us to say to God. 'I'm sorry', 'Thank you', 'I'm thinking of you', 'I love you'.

Revd Alison Newman

## **Be Winter Ready**

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Keep your eyes open – Keep an eye on the weather forecast and, if you lose your electricity supply or have a gas emergency, check on your neighbours.

# Easter Services at St. Mark's

## **Maundy Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

7pm Passover Meal and Communion – by ticket only which can be purchased nearer the time from the church office 01959 577816.

## **Good Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

10am Messy Church. There will be crafts and activities for all ages! This will be followed at 11am by our family service in church.

11am All Age Worship

11.30am Hot Cross Buns and drinks

2pm A quiet contemplative Good Friday service

## **Easter Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

8am Holy Communion (1662)

10.30am Family Communion followed by an Easter Egg Hunt in church.



# St. Mark's Baby & Toddler Group



On Monday 15th January 2018, Mark Newman presented Pat West with a gift in recognition of the many years that she has given to St. Mark's Baby and Toddler group. She will be missed by all. With a ready smile and always an ear to listen, Pat is thought of very fondly by the adults and children alike. We are sure she will occasionally pop in to see us. She has also kindly offered to be a reserve helper when we need one.



# Faith Pictures

## 2018 United Lent Course

St Mark's Biggin Hill, Cudham and Downe

Faith Pictures is a short course designed to help Christians talk naturally to friends, neighbours and colleagues about what they believe. The heart of the course is about helping people to identify a single picture or image that embodies something of their faith. This is because the kinds of communication which best stick in the mind are concrete and rooted in story. The course aims to be accessible and light-hearted, without jargon or inflexible methods. It has a number of emphases not always found in faith-sharing courses. These include the avoidance of one-size-fits-all models and the importance of honesty and listening. Each session contains a short video and encourages discussion in pairs and as a whole group.

Each evening will start at 7.30pm with refreshments included, on the following evenings:-

(14<sup>th</sup> February - United Ash Wednesday communion service with the imposition of Ashes, Rev Alison Newman celebrating, Rev John Musson preaching - St Mark's Biggin Hill 7.30pm)

Thursday 22nd February - St Mary's, Downe

Thursday 1st March - St Mark's, Biggin Hill

Thursday 8th March - St Mary's, Downe

Thursday 15th March - St Mark's, Biggin Hill

Thursday 22nd March - St Mary's, Downe

You are very welcome to join us for this lent course.

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## At St. Mark's.....

### The Choir

Practices take place on Fridays at 7.30pm - all ages welcome! For more details please call the Parish Office - 01959 577816

### Baby & Toddler Group

Every Monday and Friday from 10.00 am in the Church Hall during school terms. Contact the Parish Office for details - 01959 577816 - or just come along.

### Bell Ringing

Please contact the Parish Office on 01959 577816

### 1st Biggin Hill Guides

Please contact Rosemary Spurway on 01959 575717

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Biggin Hill Rainbows (5 - 7 years)

Please contact Pauline Hallinan on 01959 576433

### Home Groups

Home groups meet every fortnight for fellowship and Bible Study. For more information contact David Shannon on 01959 700668

### Music Group

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**Sunday 25th February 3.30pm**

**Good Friday 30th March 10.00am**

**Followed by a 10 minute worship slot and light refreshments**

### **Biggin Hill Community Care Association**

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**Day Centre** - A friendly and stimulating service for older people

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**Friday Assisted Shopping** - A minibus service for people who need support to do shopping

**Home Visiting Service** - A volunteer visiting service for those who are isolated, lonely & housebound

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# Christingle Services



Two Christingle services held on behalf of the Children's Society took place at St. Mark's Church on 24<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Thank you to all those who attended and contributed to the sum of £375.17 which has been sent to the Children's Society.

Each child at the services received a Christingle, made up of a lighted candle (symbolising Jesus, the Light of the World), mounted on an orange (representing the world), with red tape around the middle (indicating the blood/love of Christ). Four cocktail sticks bearing dried fruit and sweets were stuck into the orange to signify the four seasons and fruits of the earth.

The Children's Society is a leading national charity, which aims to give every child the greatest possible chance in life. Every year, they work directly with more and more of the most disadvantaged children. They do this through their extensive network of frontline services, supported by an army of volunteers. Together, they tackle child poverty and neglect head on, from helping families trapped in debt, child runaways and young carers, to stopping child sexual exploitation. To find out more about the Children's Society please visit their website at [www.childrenssociety.org.uk](http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk)

One way to help support their work is to have a collection box in your home for any unwanted small change. If you would like to become a box holder for the Children's Society please contact St. Mark's Parish Office on 01959 577816.

Christine Reeks

St Mark's Box Co-ordinator for the Children's Society

## Little Treasures



Cyclamen are generally known for the pot plant often available as we approach this time of year in garden centres and florist shops. *Cyclamen periscum*, like many of their cousins come in forms of white, crimson or magenta with mosaic shades of grey to matt green foliage.

The large forms are grown as pot plants for indoors, requiring a more favourable aspect in cool, airy, light rooms as they dislike central heating, shade and fail miserably.

The smaller types, available also this time of year, often advertised as hardy and planted in winter seasonal displays. As they are a hybrid of the above and the outdoor hardy ground hugging species, they will perform well in sheltered areas, but a good frost will kill them, which leaves you with a hole or two to fill.

This delicate ground hugging species, can transform areas from September through to the following spring and possibly beyond. These Cyclamen are the true hardy form. Delicate yet will perform through hot, dry conditions to well below freezing temperatures throughout the winter. A tuberous perennial, (dies down in the summer and regrows again later each year) provides colour when little else is flowering and are ideal for the border, naturalised under trees, banks, in shady or woodland garden with other early flowering woodland plants such as snowdrops, winter aconites and primroses.

The tuber can come in various shapes and sizes, some with root and leaf, some without. Most tend to show an indentation with a few almost hair like roots underneath. The indent is the upper side and are planted 3- 5 cms (1-2 ins) deep, either planted singly or in a group. If planted too deep, it may sulk. Garden centres often sell these in pots, in leaf and flower to plant straight away or you can purchase the tubers through bulb catalogues or garden centres. They can also be an added attraction in containers with other plants providing colour and interest, particularly so in the winter.

Try the winter flowering heather, *Erica carnea Myretoun Ruby*, a conifer in the middle, *Thuja occidentalis Rhiengold*, *Cyclame coum*, *Crocus tomasinianum Roseus* and a few variegated ivies to drape over the edge as a beautiful mixture to brighten any winter patio or step.

Plant in the border in moderately fertile ground enriched by organic matter, garden compost or similar in well-drained soil. Mulch annually with similar compost after flowering has finished. You can propagate these quite readily

by seed or division. But they automatically sow the seed themselves, as the flower stalk coils, it draws the seed capsule closer to the soil surface to release the ripe seed. To aid dispersal, the seed has a likening by ants and they spread the seed to places you wouldn't dream of growing. As the clumps become larger, you can lift them up and plant elsewhere in the garden or pass them onto friends and neighbours after flowering or in the autumn.



The species available this time of year are *Cyclamen coum*, similar colours to the pot plants and these will flower from November through to late spring. Others to watch out for are *Cyclamen hederifolium*, again freely available, flowering from late August through to early November. There are other species available but they can be fussier than the above, try growing them like alpines in containers.

These beautiful plants can be seen in their thousands at RHS Wisley, or Wakehurst Place under the trees, providing a spectacular display at a time when there is not a lot of colour.

Try them out you won't be disappointed.

The Biggin Horticultural Society have some extremely interesting talks again this year, become a member at £5 per household, receive your handbook and you will have all the dates and other information close at hand.

### ***Dates for your diary***

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March; 'Shrubs of Distinction' by John Negus

Spring Flower Show; Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April; 'Volunteering for the National Trust - Chartwell' by Alistair Gordon

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May; 'Kentish Cobnuts & Their Products' by Alexander Hunt

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May; Plant Sale

All our talks, plant sale and shows are at St Marks Church Hall, Church Road, doors open at 7.30 for 8 pm start, except for the spring flower show, doors open at 3 pm, while the plant sale doors open at 10 am.

Please join us, please contact Nick Hagon, 01959 575799 for further information, between 6.30pm and 9 pm or use our web site,

[www.bigginhillhorticulturalsociety.btck.co.uk](http://www.bigginhillhorticulturalsociety.btck.co.uk)

Nick Hagon (Chairman)

# FAITH and SCIENCE

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# FAITH or SCIENCE



Did you know there are statistics that show that children as young as 8 are saying that as they are doing science they can't believe in God? God is airy fairy and unprovable while science is hard, reliable facts that will solve all our problems.

I have never had a problem with God and science. As far as I understand it, God created everything and science is our way of discovering how this wonderful world is put together. I didn't know we ever had to choose. But whilst my husband Steve and I were on a course at the Faraday Institute in Cambridge recently, called Faith and Science and the local church, we learnt that for many people, this is a problem.

We learned of young people, especially, brought up in Young Earth Creationist churches, mostly, who go to universities like Cambridge, to study science, who find there is a great deal of scientific evidence for the earth being billions of years old and that human beings evolved and being unable to reconcile this with their faith, reject their faith for atheism.

Over the two days we heard eminent Christian scientists speak to us on Bioethics, Neuroscience, our environmental responsibility, being human in a machine age, natural disasters and other topics. They were skilled, brilliant and entertaining, not apologising but



proud of their love of God, God's Word, God's creation and their science which was illuminating God's world.

I would heartily recommend that anyone who had an interest in, or a problem with, science and faith, visit the website, [www.faraday.st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk](http://www.faraday.st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk). As Michael Faraday, (1791-1867), himself said, " the book of nature which we love to read, is written by the finger of God".

Lis Stewart

## Robert and Barbara Simmons



Robert and Barbara renewed their marriage vows on Saturday 16th December to celebrate 40 years of marriage.

They were married at St Mark's on 17th December 1977.



### CONFIRMATION

A Confirmation Service will be held at St. Mark's Church on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 6.30pm. If you are interested in becoming confirmed please speak to Alison the Vicar.



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Vinnie Roscoe Bakewell was baptised at St. Mark's on the 26<sup>th</sup> November 2017

St George's Singers

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***The Robots Are Coming: Us, Them & God* by Nigel Cameron. CARE, 2017. 148 pages. ISBN 978 0 905 195 230. £9.99.**

This unusual Christian book concerns the rapid development of machines which are doing tasks which we have traditionally done ourselves. These are not necessarily the clunky robots which have appeared in science fiction for years, but they can be (for example) driverless cars, carers, or online medical advisers.

These developments stem from the breathtaking acceleration of Artificial Intelligence (AI). The benefits of AI are enormous. But a fault, or hacking, could result in unacceptable damage to humans

or the environment. Such is the concern that an open letter warning that these developments should be strictly controlled was signed in 2015 by (among others) Bill Gates and Stephen Hawking.

There is also the possibility that machines or robots could eventually become more intelligent than humans. Already computers have beaten chess grand masters. The author emphasises (pp.14-16; 106-107; 116-122) that human beings were created in the image of God. This means that (unlike the most sophisticated robots) we have free will, we repent, we are creative, we have been given dominion over the earth, and we relate to each other (Gen.1.27-28; Ps.8.3-8; Heb.2.7-8).

That does not mean however that we should not utilise the technology which AI brings us, as long as we can control it. For example, parents should be in control of what the new interactively chatting Barbie says to their child. Barbie does this by using wi-fi and speech recognition (pp.62-64).

A big theme in this excellent and readable short book is the increasing redundancy of a wide range of jobs, even the professions. This has already been happening, as robots can be programmed to perform ever more complex tasks as well as (or better than) humans can. The author considers (pp.78-86; 100-101) the sort of lifestyle that very large numbers of unemployed humans may face in the not too distant future.

The Parish Weekend was very successful and all who came enjoyed a thoughtful but very enjoyable time. Our thanks go to Revd. Nick Lang who led the group sessions



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Please contact the Church office. The times the office is open can be found on page four. A message can be left on the answer machine outside of these times - 01959 577816

If you prefer, you could send your prayer request to St. Mark's Vicarage, 10, Church Road, Biggin Hill,  
Kent TN16 3LB

## Flowers for Church

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of flowers in church for a particular week, to mark an anniversary or a special event, please contact either Caroline Budimir on 01959 576093 or the Parish Office on 01959 577816

## Welcare in Bromley.

January & February 2018 update.

Happy New Year to all readers of this page in the Moving Church News.

I am pleased to say that St. Mark's Biggin Hill, and the wider readership of this magazine, donated in excess of £300 in vouchers. The vouchers were given to families supported by Welcare in Bromley, ensuring a better Christmas with festive food and presents.

Additionally Welcare collected £338.19p at the Carol Singing in the Glades on 20<sup>th</sup> December 17. Thank you very much to those who joined in or donated.

2017 was a very productive year for WIB, as the BBC Children in Need has awarded funding for Welcare in Bromley for 3 years. This welcome money has gone towards providing a paid family support worker.

Thank you, *Lynne Martin*



**SATURDAY 3rd MARCH 7.30pm**



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## The Snowdrop

*The snowdrop and  
primrose our woodlands  
adorn, and violets bathe in  
the wet o' the morn.*

Robert Burns



How this humble, yet delicate flower survives such hostile conditions, yet provides so much entertainment, euphoria at a time when so many of us can only glance out of the window in the warm, beats me!

Its pure white flowers with splashes in shades of green and gold at the tips of the petals, turns Galanthophiles into a frenzy this time of year. To the naked eye, they look very much the same from a distance, but when you lay down close up, to view such splendour, then the beauty rings true. February brings the time when many woodlands, lawns, borders becomes a sea of white. It shows the snowdrop can adapt to almost any situation.

*Galanthus nivalis*, literally translates as 'milk flower of the snow', thrive best in lightly shaded woodland areas, in a moist, but well drained soil. The white flowers hang from a single stem with inner petals (called tepals) curved into a tight pointed oval and three external petals loosely opening outwards. These flower heads can be single - one layer of petals – or 'double'- multiple layers of petals. There are more than 2,500 varieties, although not a native species as they originate from parts of Europe and Asia. There are a number of rare species and varieties, including an autumn cultivar, *Galanthus reginae-olgae*, producing strong musky fragrant nodding white flowers. Some of the spring and autumn varieties can fetch considerable sums of money perhaps too costly to the average gardener but are eagerly sourced by collectors.

Snowdrops spread naturally by seed. After flowering, the flowering stem flops down and the seed pods develop on the surface of the soil. The miniature white seeds produce substances which attract ants. These insects collect and transfer seed via underground tunnels.

Alternatively they can be divided after flowering, like perennials, lift, split into smaller clumps and plant in their final position. The small bulbs can



be quite sort after by squirrels despite being poisonous and can dry out quite easily. They are an easy plant to source in the 'green'. After flowering, the green shoots with bulb attached can be easier to plant and will settle in quickly.

Snowdrop lectin is an effective insecticide and can be used against pests. It also contains an

alkaloid, galanthamine, which has been approved for use in the management of Alzheimers disease in a number of countries.

Owners open their gardens under the National Gardens Scheme to show off their bulb displays and collections of spring bulbs from February onwards. Check out their web site for dates or collect the NGS Book for Kent. Also many of the major gardens, RHS, National Trust, will also be sharing their collections too!

Locally visit the sensory garden to inspect these beautiful plants close up!

Biggin Hill Friends of the Parks help to maintain local woodlands, located off Old Tye Avenue, as well as Jugs Hill in Biggin Hill and the Sensory Garden. Come and enjoy these pleasures, be proud to be part of a group working together to enhance and learn about our local environment.

A vital and passionate group of people that care for their environment and their community, to maintain The Rec, Sensory garden, Jug Hill, Mine Shaw and Kings Road Open Space. We meet every second Saturday of the month for a couple of hours but we urgently need your help.

Thank you

Nick Hagon

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St. Mark's is a pilgrim church; we do not simply accept the status quo, we are on a spiritual journey as pilgrims of old, actively seeking to draw closer to God and discover His will both in our own lives and the life of our local church and community which we love and serve. We are anxious "not to store up treasures here on earth" but to use all our church resources given by God, in His service and for His glory.

We want to share the good news of God's love in Jesus Christ with all those in our parish and neighbourhood. Hopefully this is portrayed by the way we live our lives, and speak to others.

We respect that we are all children of God, and we want to discover Christ in each other, encouraging personal growth in our individual relationship with each other and with Jesus.

Worship is an integral part of our love for God, and we want our services to reflect dignity and sensitivity as well as joy and thanksgiving.

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### **St. Mark's Church, Biggin Hill - People's Prayer**

Dear God in Heaven who loves us so much,  
Thank You for everything You do and provide for us.

We pray for Your church and community here in  
Biggin Hill, that we may know Your plans for us  
in this special town.

Especially, we pray for help in bringing all Your  
children to You, so they may come to know You fully,  
through our actions enabled by Your Spirit,  
And through the life, teaching and example of  
Your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

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