



**St. Mary Magdalene Church, Longfield**  
Part of the Rural North West Kent Group of Churches

**NOTICES FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**RNWK Group Clergy: Revd. Dylan Turner, Revd. Jim Fletcher, Revd. Elizabeth Robertson**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018 10.30 am Parish Eucharist Service, St. Mary Magdalene Church, Longfield – **Revd. Dylan Turner/Anne Philpott**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018 **8.00 am** Mattins Service, at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Longfield – **Lawrie Townson**  
10.30 am Mothering Sunday Service at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Longfield. **Lawrie Townson/Angie Frost**

6.30 pm Evening Prayer Service at St. Mary's Fawkham – **Lawrie Townson**

**(Please note that tea and coffee will be available in the Jubilee Hall after most of our services, please feel free to join us)**

**LENT COURSES** – There will be a Lent course in the Jubilee Hall at St. Mary Magdalene Church in Longfield. **Encounters With Jesus**. A series of Bible studies which stand alone; allowing anyone to attend on any Monday Evening during Lent, **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March, and Mondays throughout Lent to Holy Week 8.00p.m. Jubilee Hall or the Church building**. Please speak to Lawrie Townson for more information. There will also be Lent courses running in Fawkham and Hartley as follows - **On the Third Day, York Course** - at **7.30pm Thursdays, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> March in Parish Room at Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at All Saints' Church**. All are welcome to attend from around the group.

**COFFEE MORNING** – The next Coffee Morning will be on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** between 10.00am and 11.30am in the Jubilee Hall, all are welcome to attend. **Please note due to the weather the Coffee Morning has been cancelled this month.**

**RNWK MIDWEEK SERVICES - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 10.00am, Morning Prayer at All Saints' Church, Hartley**. These services are open to everybody within the RNWK Group and are held most Wednesdays alternating between Eucharist and Lay led Morning Prayer. Some weeks the services will be held at different churches within the group. The details for these services will be given on the notices each week.

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**. With the theme of 'All God's Creation is Very Good'. All are welcome to join us at St. Francis De Sales Church **on Friday March 9<sup>th</sup> (revised date due to adverse weather)** for a light lunch of bread soup and cheese, to be followed by the Service. We would welcome offers from people to supply soup, cheese or bread. We also welcome offers from people to read a part in the service. Meet outside St. Francis Church for a short litter gathering walk (optional) 12.15pm. Lunch in Meeting Room 12.45pm WWDP Service 2pm. Please let Marion Strachan in the Fawkham and Hartley church office know if you are coming and any help you can give.

**MESSY CHURCH** - Our next Messy Church is on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March**, 4-6pm at Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre — please come and join us. There is also a Facebook group to follow which is at: <https://m.facebook.com/RNWKmessychurch/>

**DEANERY PRAYERS** - Next meeting will be on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30pm in St. Barnabas Church, Istead Rise.

**APCM** - The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> March following the **10.00 am** service. Nomination forms for 2 Churchwardens and 3 PCC members will be available at the front of the church. Please can you let Susan have any reports (e-mail or hard copy) to be submitted for the Annual Review by 15<sup>th</sup> March so that they can be collated and got to the printer in time. Thank you, Susan Rogers PCC Secretary

**GROUP WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP** – The next meeting is on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. We will be meeting at 7.30pm and then joining the Group Compline at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Longfield, in Holy Week, so do come along and join us and bring a friend, you will be very welcome and it is a very friendly group.

**YARN AND YAP** - Jubilee Hall, St. Mary Magdalene, Longfield - come and help. Monthly Cluster Woolly Meetings in aid of Blankets for the Homeless. 12.30pm – 2.30pm **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018**, Light lunch and drinks/cakes provided. Just turn up.

**OPEN CHURCH** - This is to appeal for help as Church Stewards for our Spring/Summer church open mornings on Wednesdays each week. This happens from April to September (inclusive). It is only for 2 hours - between 10.00 and 12.00 noon and any help would be welcome to lighten the load on our existing small team of volunteers. Please contact Gill Horner 01474 705538 to find out more or to volunteer.

**MEDIAeval WINDOW** - The medieval window was reinstated this week following painstaking cleaning and restoration of the paintings on the glass. We will dedicate the window during the Easter Sunday service.

**GOOD FRIDAY PROJECT:** Big thank you to all those who came to our recent Youth Meeting. Good Friday Project can now go ahead. If you were not at the meeting and would like to volunteer for an activity please speak to Jim or Elizabeth.

**BIG CHURCH DAY OUT 26<sup>TH</sup> + 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY**- A group of us will be attending the weekend at Wiston House, West Sussex. There will be lots of live music and fellowship! Plus, an opportunity to camp or book a local hotel! Please speak to Revd. Jim Fletcher if you are interested, or have a look at [bigchurchdayout.com](http://bigchurchdayout.com) for more information.

**ST. MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH WEBSITE**-The website at [www.longfieldchurch.org](http://www.longfieldchurch.org) has recently moved to a more modern server, helping it to load faster and with better content and interaction. It is also more user friendly when viewed on a mobile phone or tablet. As such, over the next few weeks, I will be moving content from the old site to the new one. Whilst I do this, please bear with me. At present, when using the website you should be transferred seamlessly between the old site and new one and vice versa, whilst I move the content between the two websites. If you find anything not working correctly, or linking to incorrect information, or to a broken link etc., please send me an e-mail to [webmaster@longfieldchurch.org](mailto:webmaster@longfieldchurch.org)

**SIDESMEN, SOUND AND READING – 4<sup>th</sup> March service: Service at 10.30 am – Sidespeople will be Susan Rogers and Terry Dumbrell. The Reader will be Brenda Poole with prayers by Marion Strachan and sound by Gary Mitton.**

**11<sup>th</sup> March services: Mattins at 8.00 am – The sidesperson and reader will be Sylvia Partridge. For the 10.30 am Mothering Sunday service the sidespeople will be Barbara and Peter Davill, the reader will be Susan Rogers with prayers by Pauline Foster and sound by Peter Garrod. Many thanks to everyone for their help and support.**

**If you have anything to add to the notices for next week, please contact: Alan Strachan on 01474 704602 or at [a.m.strachan@btinternet.com](mailto:a.m.strachan@btinternet.com) Parish website: [www.longfieldchurch.org](http://www.longfieldchurch.org) Twitter: @RNWK\_Group**