



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

NOTICES FOR WEEK COMMENCING 1st September 2019

RNWK Group Clergy: Revd. Dylan Turner, Revd. Helen Reeves, Revd. Elizabeth Robertson

Sunday 1st September 2019 8.00 am Holy Communion Service at St. Peter and St. Paul Church, Ash
9.00 am Morning Worship Service at St. Peter's Church, Ridley
9.00 am Holy Communion Service at All Saints' Church, Hartley
10.30 am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Longfield
10.30 am Family Service at St. Peter and St. Paul's Church, Ash
10.30 am Family Service at Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre

Wednesday 4th September 2019 10.00 am Holy Communion at All Saints Church, Hartley

Sunday 8th September 2019 8.00 am Morning Prayer Service at St. Peter and St. Paul Church, Ash
8.00 am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Longfield
9.00 am Morning Worship Service at St. Peter's Church, Ridley
10.30 am Group Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's Church Fawkham (Patronal)
followed by lunch afterwards
6.30 pm Evening Prayer Service at St. Mary's Church, Fawkham

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

BIBLE, BREW AND BISCUITS – There will be a short summer recess, resuming on **4th September**.

OPEN CHURCH Thank you to everyone who makes it possible to open our church to visitors on Wednesday mornings 10am – 12 noon during the spring and summer months. If anyone feels they can spare a couple of hours to help our small band of volunteers – please speak to Gill Horner. **The stewards for Wednesday 4th September, Valerie Choules and Christine Lennard**

ST. MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH CHOIR – Choir practice is on **Thursdays at 7.30pm**. Open to anyone who would like to have a go at singing in the choir! Choir practice starts again on **5th September**.

ST. MARY'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL It is the Patronal Festival at St. Mary's Church, Fawkham on Sunday 8th September and we will be having a Group service there that day followed by a Ploughman's Lunch and Puddings. If you are staying for lunch that day please can you bring a contribution to share. Thank you.

SINGING EVENTS St. Mary's Patronal Sunday 8 September at Fawkham - the hymns and other sung items will be the same as last year. There will be a short rehearsal at Ash Church on Friday 6 September at 8.45 pm.. Dylan has requested a choir from the RNWK group to lead the hymn singing and also perform "I Saw the Lord" by Stainer - probably the choir 2 part and "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" by John Rutter. Rehearsals to be held at Longfield to be advised. There's no obligation to join in the Stainer if you'd rather just sing the other items. If you would like to join the singers from our RNWK group leading either or both of the services, please contact Mandy Malas amanda_malas@yahoo.co.uk if you haven't already. NB it's an underscore in the space between amanda and malas.

MESSY CHURCH – Messy church will be at the Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre on **Saturday 14th September**. ALL WELCOME. Go and join in the fun. There is also a Facebook group to follow which is at: <https://m.facebook.com/RNWKmessychurch/>

MESSY CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE This is just to let you know that, with the kind help of Denise Payne, we now have an RNWK Facebook page. You can find it at www.facebook.com/ruralnorthwestkentgroup (Although it would be simpler to search RNWK in the Facebook app. Please do use the page. Its value increases the more people connect with it. Don't worry, if you're not already in contact with someone on Facebook, they won't be able to see that you've liked the page. Only the admins can see all people who are connecting with it.

FRIENDS OF KENT CHURCHES RIDE AND STRIDE – 14th September. We will be in need of people to offer for signing in at the church on this day or to ride or walk—please contact the Churchwardens or Pauline Foster if you can help. Carol Wilton at Fawkham and Hartley will be leading a walk round our local churches. Starting from Ash Church at 1 p.m. Walk goes by mainly footpath to - All Saints', Hartley, Saint Mary's, Fawkham, Saint Mary Magdalene, Longfield, and ends at Saint Francis de Sales, Hartley. Refreshments are provided along the way at the Churches. Arrival at Saint Francis between 4 and 5 o'clock, dependant on the time taken on refreshment breaks!

COFFEE MORNING – This will be on **Saturday 14th September starting at 10.00am until 11.30am**, all are welcome.

CHURCHYARD GARDEN CLEARING PARTY – There will be a churchyard tidying party on **Saturday 14th September** starting at **10.00am** if anybody would like to assist in helping to keep the church gardens nice and tidy please contact Paul Thomas. Thank you.

HARVEST SUPPER – This is taking place on **Saturday 28th September**. It will be an evening of celebration for God's gifts at harvest with lovely food and an evening of entertainment. If you would like to come along, please put your name on the list in the Jubilee Hall. If you would like to do a turn please put that on the list. Or if you would like to choose a song with the theme of a person's name, please add that to the list as well. £10, including 2 course meal and wine.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP – The group will resume after the summer holidays.

PASTORAL CARE TEAM - If anyone would like to be a part of this ministry through prayer or visiting could they let either Steph, Wendy or Val know and speak to us for more information.

SIDESMEN, SOUND AND READING:-

Sunday 1st September services: For the 10.30am service the Sidespeople will be Hilary and Bob Patten the reader will be Jane Noakes and prayers by Stephanie Perfitt with Sound by Peter Darvill.

Sunday 8th September: For the 8am service. Reader and Sidesperson is Elaine Thurtle. Thank you to everyone for your time and assistance.

*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 Parish website: www.longfieldchurch.org Twitter: @RNWK_Group*

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WE HAVE SO FAR REACHED OUT AS A GROUP TO 426 PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FOR OUR T FOR 2 500 PLUS CHALLENGE, WE STILL HAVE 74 PEOPLE TO REACH BEFORE THE AUTUMN. WHAT'S YOUR CHALLENGE? PLEASE LET THE MINISTRY TEAM KNOW, WE ARE CALLED TOGETHER, TO WORK TOGETHER FOR OUR COMMUNITY!