### Thy Kingdom Come Services

**Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> May** – Ascension Day Communion at SPSP, 9am Deanery Ascension Day Sung Eucharist, St Mary's Hampton, 8pm

**Sat 1<sup>st</sup> June** – Churches Together Parkrun, Hanworth Airpark, 9am Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Taize Family Communion

– SPSP, 9.45am Daily between Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>-Fri 7<sup>th</sup> – 'Praver at Midday': a time for led and silent praver

#### SMwSA, 12noon

**Tues 4<sup>th</sup> June** – Bible & Prayer Meeting at St Michaels Fulwell, 7.30pm Wed 5<sup>th</sup> June – Holy Communion at SMwSA, 9.30am Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> June – Service of Wholeness & Healing, SMwSA, 8pm **Sun 9<sup>th</sup> June** – Hospital Chapel Methodist Service, 4pm Pentecost Choral Evensong, SMwSA, 6.30pm

## WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

### 2 7th Sunday of Easter

### 4 Memory Café, SPSP 1.30pm

- 5 First Wednesday Club, Topic 'Mental Health with focus on the work of The Mind and Soul Foundation' Mina Hogan Room: bring your lunch; tea & coffee provided, 12.45pm
- 9 Pentecost

Teddington Flower Festival with Churchyard Teas, SMwSA, 2.00-5.00pm Churchyard Celebration, SMwSA, 5.00pm 11 Plain & Pearl Knit, Mina Hogan Room,

- 7.30pm
- 13 Fullerton Court Holy Communion Service, 11.30am

Parish Pub Lunch, Teddington Arms, 12.30pm

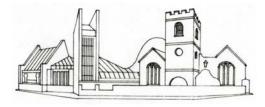
#### 16 Trinity Sunday

- 18 Community Conversation with Councillors, Baptist Church, 7.00pm
- 20 Quiet Day with Bishop Martin Wharton, St Mary's University, Waldegrave Road, 9.30-3.00pm
- 22 Ordination of Priests (including Caroline Halmshaw), All Saints Fulham, 3.00pm
- 23 Trinity 1
- 25 Plain & Pearl Knit, Mina Hogan Room, 7.30pm
- 30 Trinity 2
  - Teddington Village Fair, 12.00-5.00pm

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## Dire situation at Pemba in Mozambigue

Last month I shared some photos and news of my visit in March to our link parish of Pemba in north Mozambigue. Little did I know that just a few weeks later it would be at the centre of Cyclone Kenneth and the worst flooding ever seen in this region. The villages and churches that I visited have been hugely damaged.

Here's a photo that I took of the church school in a remote village called Chimoio with most of their 768 pupils standing in front of their newly built classrooms.



Sadly, this is what's left:



Many families have lost their homes and harvests. So the situation is dire. Thankfully, the diocesan



community development team has come to their rescue with food, aid, seeds, mosquito nets etc. This is headed by an inspirational woman called Muassite (see photo) who was due to visit London in July.

But her own home in Pemba is badly damaged, so we don't yet know

## June 2019 **REGULAR SERVICES**

St Mary with St Alban (SMwSA) SUNDAYS 8.00am Holy Communion 9.00am Morning Worship 10.00am Parish Communion WEDNESDAYS 9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Holy Communion 10.30am Church Mice St Peter and St Paul (SPSP) SUNDAYS 9.45am Family Communion THURSDAYS

#### whether she can travel.

9.00am Morning Prayer

What we do know is that these churches, school and communities are going to need a huge amount of help to rebuild. If you wish to do- 🔝



nate, please give via:

www.manna-anglican.org

We will also be raising funds during our Pentecost services and Churchyard Teas on 9<sup>th</sup> June.

www.teddingtonparish.org

### Caroline's Ordination as a Priest

Our curate, Rev Caroline Halmshaw, is to be ordained as a priest on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June by the Bishop of Kensington, along with her cohort of curates in West London. The service will be at 3pm at All Saints Fulham (by Putney Bridge).

This will be an exciting occasion for those of us who have known Caroline through the long process of discernment, selection, theological training and her first year of curacy. It's been a joy to see her flourish in both her studies and her new ministry. I hope that a good contingent of parishioners can attend this service as we were proudly the parish with the most supporters when our previous curate was ordained!

On the following day, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, Caroline will preside at Holy Communion for the first time at our 10am service. This is a special occasion both for her and the parish. We will celebrate with a lunch for all the congregation in the parish hall after the service. Please sign up for lunch at the back of church or by contacting the parish office.



We pray for Caroline as she enters this next phase of ministry, along with her husband Rick and son Alec.

## More About Our Churchyard

The response to last month's article was good, and thank you to all who came along to help tidy up.

Now a little more about the history and what we know about burials.

Until 1884 the churchyard was the only official burial ground in Teddington. In earlier times most people were buried without any marked grave, and only the rich afforded tombs in the church vault, with a memorial on the wall. St. Mary with St. Alban, Teddington

<u>The Memorial Inscriptions</u> <u>of</u> St. Mary with St. Alban, Teddington, Middlesex



Photograph by Roland Bostock, October 2018

The vaults in St Mary's were sealed early in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and the sexton's records from that time onwards tell of about 20 burials a month, the majority still in unmarked graves. There were five additions to the churchyard over three centuries.

The earliest gravestone dates from 1627, but since the churchyard was closed in 1884 burials have occurred mainly in the Shacklegate Lane cemetery. Since 1977 general maintenance of the churchyard has been the responsibility of Richmond Council, but the church still looks after flowers and the tidiness of and around the graves.

Over the last year the West Middlesex Family Historical Society (WMFHS) has been surveying the churchyard, finding nearly 400 gravestones, as well as memorials for scattered ashes. On Sunday 9 June, at about 5pm, the parish and church will be receiving from WMFHS its finished survey in a short ceremony, as part of Teddington in Flower, in the presence of the Deputy Mayor.

Please come along, enjoy a cup of tea, and help us keep faith with our heritage, as well as show our gratitude to Roland Bostock and Yvonne Masson who will be giving us this valuable contribution to the Teddington story.

Robin-Field Smith

# **Parish Registers**

**BAPTISMS** – We welcome into Christ's Church:

21<sup>st</sup> April: Jane Patricia Allen

28<sup>th</sup> April: Charlie Arthur Turner, son of Anthony Turner and Lauren Faircloth 28<sup>th</sup> April: Theodore Otto, son of Andrew and Annika Ross

19<sup>th</sup> May: Isabella Diana Joan, daughter of Stefan and Amy Bojanowski-Bubb

19<sup>th</sup> May: Joel Jeffrey Edward, son of Jonathan and Alison Hollis

19<sup>th</sup> May: Alice May, daughter of Simon and Georgina Cooke-Yarborough

**WEDDINGS** – We wish every blessing on the marriage of:

4<sup>th</sup> May: David Weston and Elizabeth Allen

**FUNERALS** – *We remember with thanksgiving the lives of:* 26<sup>th</sup> April: Margaret Mahoney (69) 10<sup>th</sup> May: Susan Tarrant (80)

### Handel's Messiah: Concert at Sacred Heart Church

At 6.45pm on the first Sunday in April a lively crowd of people were already queuing outside Sacred Heart RC church in Teddington in eager anticipation of this event. By the time the concert started at 7 pm the church was packed to overflowing, with extra seating having to be supplied.

Over the next two and a half hours the audience were treated to superb performances from four young professional soloists, dedicated singing of no less than twenty choruses by the sixty plus Teddington Churches' Singers and sensitive playing from the excellent Teddington Consort; all under the inspiring direction of Derek Saunders, our Musical Director at St Mary with St Alban.

A highlight of the evening was the singing of the "Hallelujah!" chorus, when both the choir and audience stood and a palpable sense of joy and exhilaration filled the church. The enthusiastic clapping and standing ovation at the end of the final chorus showed beyond doubt that the evening had been an amazing success. Francis Judge, a member of the audience, said: 'Any performance of this work, to my mind, is dependent on the performance of the tenor opening the work with "Comfort Ye...." He was excellent, as were the other soloists together with the choir and small orchestra all conducted by Derek Saunders. In addition, the acoustics were excellent from where I was seated near the back of the church. The whole event was well organised and a lot of work had obviously gone into preparing and rehearsing for a very enjoyable evening.'

During the interval refreshments of wine and fruit juice were provided for the audience.

The organisers greatly appreciate the generous donations of £1,466 made by people which have all gone to the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

Kay Cassidy

## Thy Kingdom Come



Thy Kingdom Come is a global movement that invites all Christians around the world to unify in prayer from Ascension Day to Pentecost. What started as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, has grown into an international and ecumenical call, to which millions respond. Our Teddington Churches are choosing to mark the 10 special days at a range of services *(see overleaf)*, so why not join in? You can also choose to share a personal

prayer in our Thy Kingdom Come Teddington booklet by emailing prayerbook19@gmail.com.

Or you can pledge to pray and see your own little dot on the map helping to 'Light Up the World in Prayer' at https:// www.thykingdomcome.global/