WHAT'S ON IN MARCH

Everything here comes with an open invitation, and you are very welcome to bring a friend with you too. Go to our website to find all the details and we look forward to

seeing you there: www.teddingtonparish.org/whats-on/

Wednesday 2 Ash Wednesday Holy Communion at 9.30am, and Sung Eucharist at 8.00pm

(with Imposition of Ashes at both services). SMwSA

Parish Coffee. On Zoom. 10.30am. Also on 17

Memory Café. SPSP. 1.30-3.00pm. Also on 15

Saturday 5 Parish Plod. Next section of the Capital Ring Walk. 10.00am-4.30pm

Sunday 6 Lent Lunch for Welcare. St Mary's Parish Hall. 12noon

Monday 7 Teddington Community Café. SPSP. 1.30-4.30pm. Also on 14, 21 & 28

Tuesday 8 Parish Lunch, tba, 12noon

Tuesday 1

Thursday 3

Lent Course: Living in Love and Faith. SMwSA Church. 8.00-9.30pm. Also on

22 & 29

Plain & Pearl social crafting group. Mina Hogan Room. St Mary's Parish Hall.

7.30pm. Also on 22

Wednesday 9 Lent Reflections discussion group. Mina Hogan Room. St Mary's Parish Hall.

10.30am-12noon, Also on 16, 23 & 30

20s & 30s Social Group. Tide End Cottage Pub. 7.00pm

Lent Course with supper. St Mary's Parish Hall. 7.30-9.30pm Also on 5 April Tuesday 15

Thursday 17 Churchyard Gardening. SMwSA. 10.00am. Also on Sat 19

Parish Coffee. tba. 11.00am Tuesday 22

So how can you be part of this wonderful enterprise? Simply go online and buy direct from Traidcraftshop.co.uk or place an order (payable online) with Susan sfqjacobs@yahoo.co.uk. Jacobs Alternatively, go to the next sale on Mothering Sunday, March 27th in the hall after the 10 am service, for a selection of

edibles, Meaningful Easter Eggs (with a 24 page Easter Story activity book) for sale at £5.00 and free copies of Traidcraft's Spring catalogue.

No card reader so cash (or cheque)

preferred.

For further questions call Susan Jacobs (8943 0503)

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www.teddingtonparish.org







Lent Appeal for Activate

In July 2020 we appointed Rev Chris Kennédy as our Pioneer Sports and Wellbeing Minister, based at St Peter & St Paul. Since then he's been steadily growing a new ministry called Activate. This hasn't been easy to get off the ground during the Covid

pandemic, but it's now really starting to take shape. Activate is focusing on three priorities:

1. A weekday Wellbeing Hub, based at St Peter & St Paul. Each day of the week there will either be a

drop-in event (eq Community Café on a Monday) or a social exercise class (e.g. Soup and Stretch on a Thursday) and a short midday service that Chris

is calling Abide.

2. A Sunday afternoon Sporty Church, based at St Mark's Teddington. This will be starting in May and will involve 30 minutes of exercise, 30 minutes of worship and 30 minutes of refreshments. It's hoped that people of all ages and abilities will participate but with a particular focus on young people.

3. A Friday evening Youth Café, based at St Peter & St Paul. This again will be starting in May and will build on the work that Activate has already been doing with disadvantaged young people from some of our local schools using a programme called Mindful Ninja that combines martial arts and mindfulness.

Some funding is already in place for this, but Chris would love to appoint a Youth Worker with streetdance expertise to engage young women in positive activity. This has been identified as an urgent priority in our local community. Please see his article inside.

Our Lent Appeal therefore aims to raise £3,000 for this post. We're calling this Activate Dance. Please donate online: www.activatechurch.org.uk using the red button. All donations to Activate in March and April will go to this appeal. You can also give cash using our yellow envelopes and writing 'Activate Dance' on the top.

Many thanks for your generosity towards this exciting initiative.

Best wishes

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March 2022

REGULAR SERVICES

- at SMwSA unless stated
- ~ Online service only; * In-person + livestreamed service

SUNDAYS:

8.00am Holy Communion 9.00am Morning Worship 10.00am Parish Communion*

MONDAYS - SATURDAYS:

8.30am Morning Prayer, on Zoom (Mon-Fri and 9am Sat)~

9.00am-5.00pm Church open for Private Prayer

6.00pm Evening Prayer, on Zoom (Mon-Thur and 5pm Fri-Sat)~

WEDNESDAYS:

9.30am Holy Communion 10.30am Church Mice Toddler Service Go to our website for further details:



www.teddingtonparish.org

Activate Dance

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Activate is passionate about engaging young people and allowing them to discover faith through activity, community and wellbeing. We recognise the great work of local youth communities but all feedback from them is that engaging young women in positive activity is a priority.

With this in mind we are hoping to raise £3000 to start a youth streetdance group that has two purposes:

- 1. To create a weekly safe space for teenagers that has an activity focus that is inclusive but weighted towards teenage women.
- This youth group will feed into our Sporty Church and our Youth Wellbeing Café starting after Easter.

A positive body image and peer support encouragement is invaluable in helping young people grow, and street dance imbues both these facets whilst being fun and welcoming of all talents. The evolution of social media platforms like TikTok, has allowed dance to be enjoyed as a positive outlet that has captured young people's energy and creativity.

Activate seeks to harness that and shape a community where energy and creativity can be developed in a manner that is fun and relevant, thereby building community leading to questions of faith.

The money will be put towards a year's salary for a teacher from a Christian background, who can engage young people, as well as buying equipment, lighting and venue hire.

We are hoping to launch the group at St Mark's Teddington and have the support of our local church partnerships. The group will eventually become self-sustaining but it's the first 6 months that are crucial and we are aiming to do showcases in the community and via social media that encourage others.

Many thanks for your support. Please pray for us as Activate seeks to meet young people where they are at and holistically bless and journey with them into a relationship with Christ.

Rev Chris Kennedy, Pioneer Minister www.activatechurch.org.uk

Tuesday Evening Lent Course



LÍVING IN LOVE & FAITH

Living in Love and Faith is a 5-session course that looks at issues of identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. All parishes in the Church of England are encouraged to engage with this course and I hope that many of you will want to come along and explore these really important issues in a safe and respectful environment.

Each session involves a mixture of short videos and life stories which we will watch together before breaking into small groups for facilitated discussion. Search 'Introducing Living in Love and Faith' in YouTube for a two-minute trailer.

The following sessions will be from 8-9.30pm in St Mary with St Alban Church:

March 8th, 22nd and 29th

The other two will be from 7.30-9.30pm in St Mary's Parish Hall with Supper:

March 15th, April 5th

Please sign up at the back of church or via the parish office. We hope that participants will be able to attend at least 3 of the 5 sessions. There is a £5 suggested donation for the course booklet and £10 for each supper, payable on the evening.

Joe Moffatt



Christingles were enjoyed by all at our 9am Service on Sunday January 30th as part of our Candlemas celebrations. We raised £400 for The Children's Society in our collections. A big thank you to our local Tesco's for donating the oranges and sweets.

Lent Reflections Group

The season of Lent is a welcome time to reflect on our lives and to allow God to challenge and reshape us.

We will be running a Discussion Group every Wednesday morning throughout the season of Lent, starting on March 9, 10.30am-12.00pm in the Parish Hall.

You are very welcome to come and join us as we would love to see you, whether you have been along before, or this is the first time you've considered taking part in something like this.

Please contact Rev Caroline Halmshaw curate@stmarywithstalban.org

Vacancy: Parish Hall Administrator

12 hrs/wk. £12.50/hr

Good communication, organization and IT skills essential. Full details on our website: www.teddingtonparish.org

Applications to Rev. Joe Moffatt: vicar@stmarywithstalban.org Closing date: Sunday 13 March



Plain & Pearl Craft Supply Swap Tuesday 22 March 7.30pm St Mary's Parish Hall

Spring Clean Your Cupboards...... bring your 'craft stash' along to the Craft Supply Swap and then choose some more craft goodies to take home with you. Donation to charity can be made instead of swap items.

Wool – Fabric – Haberdashery – Craft books & patterns – Craft Materials -Beads – Craft Tools

Cost £2 payable on the night includes tea & cakes.

Bring along your own craft or knitting to make and have a restful and productive evening crafting with like-minded people.

IMPORTANT:

Goods MUST be clean & fresh smelling Bag up individual items so they are easy to see in clear bags

Registration essential to secure a place https://pandpcraftswap.eventbrite.co.uk



Welcare Lent Lunch

Donate what you would have paid for lunch elsewhere, or more if you can.

SUNDAY 6 MARCH

St Mary's Parish Hall. 12noon

Langham Road. Teddington. TW11 9HF Contact the parish office to sign-up

www.welcare.org

www.teddingtonparish.org

Parish Registers

BAPTISMS – We welcome into Christ's Church:

12th December: Wilfred Henry, son of Georgina Gately and Charles Rayner 16th January: Henry Richard Guy, son of Sally and Thomas Bennett

16th January: Shanta Isabel and Henry Frank, daughter and son of Isabel and Prateek Nalwaya

23rd January: Willow May, daughter of Sarah Berners-Price and James Irons 23rd January: Olivia Iris, daughter of Elaine and Stefano Cioni

30th January: Holly Helen, daughter of Lyzanne and Michael Pomfret.

FUNERALS – We remember with thanksgiving the lives of:

18th January: Reg Morrison (87) 27th January: Jimmy Rogers (90) 28th January: Howard Evans (55).

Fairtrade and How to Play your Part

Traidcraft plc was set up over forty years ago and is a co-founder of the World Fairtrade Movement. It imports and sells a range of every day and luxury fairtrade edibles as well as handicrafts, goods and sustainable fashion items, from over 65 producer groups across more than 28 countries and 10 ethical trading companies in the UK.

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