

## THE PARISH OF FAWKHAM AND HARTLEY

St. Mary's Church,  
Fawkham

All Saints' Church,  
Hartley



Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre

PART OF THE RURAL NORTH WEST KENT GROUP OF CHURCHES

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## PARISH NOTES 13th August 2017

*Ninth Sunday after Trinity*

### Collect

Almighty God,  
who sent your Holy Spirit  
to be the life and light of your Church:  
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
in love and joy and peace;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*We welcome all who attend our  
services today, especially those who are  
visitors or newcomers.*

At the communion services, all who are confirmed or who are full members of other churches are welcome to receive Communion. All others, adults and children, are invited to come forward for a blessing; in this case, please carry a book with you so that it is clear to those administering that you do not intend to receive Communion.

**COME  
& SEE  
DISCOVER  
SHARE  
BE**

### 9.00am St. Mary's Church, Fawkham Holy Communion (BCP said)

A service booklet is provided

### 10.30am Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre Holy Communion (Common Worship)

A service booklet is provided

Hymns: 41 At the Name of Jesus  
(Mission 111 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind  
Praise) 115 Do not be Afraid  
770 Will your Anchor Hold



### Bible Readings

1 Kings 19, 9-18 (page 336 OT)

Elijah, overcome with fear and self-pity, flees from the wrath of Jezebel into the wilderness, where he meets God not in the roar of a storm but in a whispering voice that stormy conditions would have hidden. The voice renews Elijah's prophetic commission and reassures him that he is not alone; there are others in Israel who are still faithful to the Lord. This gives him the necessary courage to go on and refreshes and renews his vision.

Romans 10, 5 - 15 (page 156 NT)

Paul maintains that salvation in Christ is a universal gift and not confined to one particular group of people. There is no discrimination between the Jews and the rest of the human race. Everyone who believes sincerely and proclaims openly that Jesus is the risen Lord will be saved regardless of nationality. So all who believe have a duty to spread the good news of Jesus so that God's design for universal salvation can be realised.

Matthew 14, 22 - 33 (page 15 NT)

Jesus' walking on water demonstrates the power of God in Creation to prevail in the face of chaos, as well as being an implicit claim of Jesus' identity as Son of God. Peter's predicament illustrates the dangers of enthusiastic love accompanied by insufficient faith. It is not the waves themselves that cause Peter to sink but his fear of them and his lack of trust.

### Next Week's Diary

Morning Prayer Returns to St. Mary's Church

#### Monday 14th August

9.30am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's Church

#### Tuesday 15th August

9.30am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's Church

#### Wednesday 16th August

No Morning Prayer Today

#### Thursday 17th August

8.30am Prayer Breakfast Walk—start opposite Rectory

9.00am Prayer Breakfast at All Saints' Church

*(There is no Holy Communion or Morning Prayer on a Wednesday during August.)*

### Weekday Readings

Mon	Ezekiel 37.1-14	Mark 1.1-13
Tues	Ezekiel 37.15-end	Mark 1.14-20
Wed	Ezekiel 39.21-end	Mark 1.21-28
Thurs	Ezekiel 43.1-12	Mark 1.29-end
Fri	Ezekiel 44.4-16	Mark 2.1-12
Sat	Ezekiel 47.1-12	Mark 2.13-22

**Sunday 20th August 2017**  
**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

*The Preacher for our 10.30am service is Lawrie Townson, Reader from Longfield Parish*

**9.00am All Saints' Church, Hartley**  
**Holy Communion (Common**  
**Worship)**

**10.30am Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre**  
**Morning Worship**

Readings for 20th August  
Isaiah 56.1, 6-8      Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32  
Matthew 15.21-28

**FROM THE CURATE**

**MORNING PRAYER RETURNS TO ST. MARY'S CHURCH**  
**MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS 9.30 AM**

**WELCOME** to our services today and to all visitors, or if it is your first time to our Church. We are delighted to welcome The Revd. Dylan Turner to our services this morning. Please do take these Parish Notes home with you to read. Our website address is on the front of these notes—do have a browse for more information about our Parish/Group and forthcoming services and events.

**ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE BISHOP OF ROCHESTER**

This announcement was made in all the Group churches on Sunday 23 July 2017. The Bishop of Rochester is very pleased to announce that The Revd. Melanie Jemmett, currently Curate in the Rural North West Kent Group of Churches, is to be the next incumbent of Holy Redeemer, Lamorbey, which is in the Sidcup Deanery. Please keep Mell, Brian, Arwen and Arthur in your prayers, as they enter this period of transition. It is anticipated that Mell will move in late October and be inducted in November (dates for her final service in Rural North West Kent, and her induction in Lamorbey to be confirmed).

**PRAYER BREAKFAST** This will be a Prayer Walk at 8.30am. Meet opposite The Rectory at 8.30am for the walk. Breakfast at 9.00am at All Saints Church on Thursday 17th August. All welcome to attend either both the walk and breakfast or just the breakfast!

**SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB** We are having a year off from our Holiday Club in August this year but hope it will return in 2018.

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAWKHAM**  
**FLOWER FESTIVAL**

We will be holding a flower festival with the theme "All Things Bright and Beautiful" at St. Mary's Church, Fawkham on the 8th and 9th of September 2017. We welcome visitors to look round our beautiful church, and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee with home-made cakes, buy raffle tickets and enjoy the lovely flower arrangements.

We are looking for individuals and organisations to sponsor this event. If you would like to sponsor an arrangement or make a donation please phone the Church Wardens who will be able to assist you.

There will be a prayer tree in church for you to write a message on a leaf in remembrance of a loved one if you wish.

If you would like to do a floral arrangement and be part of this festival we would love to hear from you. Valerie Campbell and Andrew Gray

**THE CAMELLOS**, who were once again a big hit at the recent Afternoon Tea, will be performing a concert during the Flower Festival, on the evening of Saturday 9th September in our beautiful flower filled church. St. Mary's Fawkham at 7:30pm. Tickets £6 which includes a glass of wine or orange juice available from the Parish Office.

**CHOIR FOR FLOWER FESTIVAL SUNDAY**

Our celebration weekend at St. Mary Fawkham would not be complete without some really good singing during the service on Sunday 10th September.

Would you like to be part of the choir? We will rehearse on Tuesday 29 August and Tuesday 5 September at the church from 8.00 -9.15 pm.

Please be in touch to say if you will be joining us.

Thanks, Norma Crowe

**RNWK YOUTH CREW FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 11-14 YEARS**

7pm—8.30pm Sunday 17th September at St Mary Magdalene (Jubilee Hall) Longfield.

**MESSY CHURCH** There is no meeting in August. Our next Messy Church is on Saturday 23rd September 4-6pm at Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre—please come and join us.

**HEALING WEEKEND:** Jim is leading a Quiet day at Burrswood, Tunbridge Wells, on Saturday 21st October, 9.00 - 5.00pm including travel time and attending the Burrswood Healing service. Max of 20 spaces, please book with Marion (car shares recommended). No cost, but please bring a packed lunch. The following day on the 22nd, there will be a 5.00pm Healing service at St. Mary's. All welcome.

**CONFIRMATION:** There will be a Deanery Confirmation service at 6.00pm on Sunday 26th November at Cobham Church. If you have not been confirmed and would like to, please speak to Mell.

**VERSE FOR THE WEEK**

When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.  
And those in the boat worshipped him saying,  
'Truly you are the Son of God.'  
*Matthew 14:32-33*

**Looking Forward**

**Friday 8th & Saturday 9th** Flower Festival at St. Mary's Church  
Saturday 9th September The Caramellos will be playing at St. Mary's as part of the Flower Festival

**Sunday 10th September** St. Mary's Patronal Festival and Parish BBQ

**Saturday 30th September** Harvest Supper at Church Centre  
**Sunday 1st October** Harvest Festival

**Thursday 5th October** Parish Golf Day

**Saturday 7th October** Barn Dance, Fawkham and Hartley Church Centre

**Saturday 21st October** Healing Weekend Quiet Day—Burrswood

**Friday 10th November** Broadway Show Songs - Church Centre

**Sunday 26th November** 6.00pm Confirmation Service

**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 1st September. Light lunch and drinks/cakes provided. Just turn up.

**RNWK GROUP IS ON TWITTER** Our Group of Churches is further embracing the digital age! We are now on twitter. So for the latest news and updates from across the group, please search for and follow @RNWK\_Group Please help us to spread the news far and wide by retweeting and directing others in the community to the account. @RNWK\_Group

**FOOD BANK:** We have taken another donation to the Gravesham Foodbank weighing 24.1kgs. Thank you for all your help in achieving this. Particular items requested at present are: sugar, hot dogs, Smash instant potato, Marmite, peanut butter, cleaning sponges and cloths and toothbrushes. We thank you for all your on-going support. Margaret & Carol

**BANNI WEBSITE** The Banni website has been up dated with 2107 information. Explore the link to see what we have been doing .

<http://www.fawkhambanni.org/> We now also have a face book giving page in the "what's new in 2017 banner". We are hoping to raise money during 2017/18 to provide furniture for the new classroom. Thanks to you all for your interest and support. Sue Thompson, Fawkham School

**PASTORAL MATTERS** Please inform us of anyone who is unwell or in need of help within the community to enable us to ensure that we can arrange visits and practical help if necessary. Please contact Shirley Wilson. If you would like someone added to our prayer list please let someone on the Ministry Team know, but please keep us updated with information of that person.

**PARISH OFFICE** will be closed on Thursday 17th August for one day

The Parish Office is open Tuesday and Friday 9am-12noon

Wednesday 9am—3pm 01474 704972

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**BOOKINGS FOR FAWKHAM AND HARTLEY CHURCH CENTRE**

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