

KESTON PARISH CHURCH

MONTHLY PEW SHEET April 2024

Sun	7 th Apr	10 am	Family Non-Communion Service
Mon	8 th Apr	7.30 pm	The Institution, Induction & Installation of Revd Belinda Beckhelling
Fri	12 th Apr	2.30 pm	Choir Practice
Sun	14 th Apr	10 am 12.30 pm	Holy Communion Service Baptism
Wed	17 th Apr	9.30 am	Prayer Walk
	•	7 pm	Men's Group @
		-	The Greyhound
Fri	19 th Apr	2.30 pm	Choir Practice
Sun	21 st Apr	10 am	Holy Communion Service
			With H&W
		11.45 am	APCM
		1.30 pm	Baptism
Fri	26 th Apr	2.30 pm	Choir Practice
Sun	28 th Apr	10 am	Holy Communion Service
		11.45 am	Bingo with prizes & Light lunch
Fri	3 rd May	2.30 pm	Choir Practice
Sun	5 th May	10 am	Family Non-Communion Service

OUR SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT - We want our church to be a safe place for everyone – a place where the love or God shines through all we do. Therefore, in accordance with the Government, the Church of England, the Charity Commission and our insurance company, our workers/volunteers are safely recruited (including DBS check if legally eligible), regularly trained and we adhere to Diocesan Safeguarding Policies. Our new Safeguarding Officer is Steff Nash please speak to him or contact him on steff@swissmail.org if you have any questions or concerns.

WELCOME - We would like to welcome you to our service today, especially if you are a visitor. When we take Holy Communion everyone is invited to receive the bread and wine, symbols of God's love for us. You will be guided to the Altar rail at the appropriate time. **HOLY COMMUNION** - We are now offering Communion by Intinction, and we are also offering the Common Cup. We will begin with the Intinction, and at the end, if you would like to take from the Common Cup, please come up after the other Communicants. If you use a hearing aid, please put it to the "T" setting. Please do join us for a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits in the Hall after the Sunday service.

1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH SERVICE will now be a more informal service without Communion. Following some comments made by our Church Family members, we are re-introducing this less formal service, which will be shorter. We will of course be enjoying tea/coffee and biscuits after this service as usual.

PRAYER WALKS – Every 1st Tuesday & 3rd Wednesday of the month 2nd & 17th April, then 7th & 15th May. Please come along with or without a dog, and we all have a good chatter, then stop, reflect and pray. We start at 9.30 am on Commonside on the green opposite the Greyhound Pub. We then end up Heathfields at 11 ish where we have a 'cuppa'.

THE INSTITUTION, INDUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF REVD. BELINDA BECKHELLING is on Monday 8th April at 7.30 pm. Please be sure to put your name on the list if you wish to come along. There will be refreshments in the hall after the Holy Communion service. Please keep Belinda in your prayers as she prepares to join Keston Parish Church, as our new Rector. Please car share for the evening, and if possible park further down the road.

MEN'S PUB SOCIAL – **Every 3rd Wednesday** of the month @ 7 pm –17th April and then 15th May at the Greyhound pub.

HEALING & WHOLENESS ON 3RD SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE – On the third Sunday of each month, (21st April then 19th May) just after taking Communion we will have "prayers" in the foyer for anyone wanting someone to pray with them, for themselves or loved ones.

APCM IN CHURCH HALL – 21ST **APRIL @ 11.45 AM –** everyone is invited to our Annual Church Meeting, but only those on the Electoral Roll can vote. We will hear what we have achieved over the past year. To obtain the papers please ask Martin Becker our PCC Secretary to email you a set. (We try not to waste paper by printing hard copies.)

VACANCIES – We have a vacant position of Churchwarden that is available, to help with our existing Churchwarden Geoff Carr, together with a vacancy for one member on our PCC Committee. Please see Geoff or myself (Tricia) if you are interested, and if you feel the Lord is leading you to help in this way.

IN AID OF BROMLEY WELCARE – XBY CONCERT BAND ARE GIVING A CONCERT ON SATURDAY 27TH APRIL at 7.30 pm @ St. George's Church, Bickley. Members of the XBY Concert Band were previously in the Bromley Youth Band. It will include a variety of light and semi-serious pieces. Doors open at 7 pm, tickets £12, concessions £10, and can be bought at the door. To book in advance by bank transfer, please email: bmdunkaca@gmail.com.

'BINGO WITH PRIZES' AND A SOUP AND A ROLL LUNCH ON SUNDAY 28^{TH} APRIL @ 11.45 am. Come and join in the fun with your friends – tickets £10 per person.

PARISH WALK – **SUNDAY** 5TH **MAY** – meet at 2.15 pm in the Keston Church Car Park. The walk takes about 2 hours and we finish at Keston Parish Hall for a cup of tea and cakes. Well behaved dogs welcome, and also their owners.

BOOK READING FELLOWSHIP – MONDAY 13TH MAY @ 2 PM – Come and discuss books with some Christian content that you have read over tea/coffee and cake. Please let Sally know if you are able to come along. 020 8462 8750

MENTAL WELLLBEING COFFEE MORNING – Saturday 25th May from 10 am – 12 noon. Join us and chat over tea/coffee and cake with a mental health professional at hand. We will hear tips about how to keep ourselves well.

CALLING ALL SCRABBLE PLAYERS – Pam Robertson and Rosemary are now hosting a scrabble afternoon, and if you are interested please have a word with Tricia, Pam or Rosemary.

WANTED – a volunteer to do the 'My Favourite Hymn' page or 'My Faith Journey' page in The Keston Magazine - please see Sally to discuss what would be involved. Thank you. Always such interesting articles, please come forward.

CAN YOU HELP? We could do with some volunteers to help get out the tables and chairs in the hall before the service, and then put them away again afterwards. Please see Tricia or Sally, or help at the appropriate time - thank you.

Donations of tea and coffee always welcome to help with the refreshments following our Sunday morning service. Bless you all.

7th April – 2nd Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no heart is closed: open the doors of our compassion, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen

Acts 4: 32 - 35; John 20: 19 - end

14th April – 3rd Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us also to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Acts 3: 12 - 19: Luke 24: 36 - 48

21st April – 4th Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and follow your command, that all your people may be gathered in one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Acts 4: 5 – 12; John 10: 11 – 18

28th April – 5th Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Acts 8.26 - end; John 15: 1 - 8