

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers:

+ Leigh Bourne	+ Robert Ladd
+ Heather Brewer	+ David Leeke
+ Derek Bullock	+ Marjorie Mackrell
+ Norman Coward	+ George Mendes
+ Margaret Dickens	+ Rosemary Meyer
+ Annet Fernandez	+ Blyth Oxley
+ Tina Fernandez	+ Eileen Read
+ Lorraine Gonsalves	+ Clive Smith
+ Wynn Harpur	+ Pam Strudwick
+ Susan Head	+ Sally Vincent
+ Ruth How	+ Jacquie White
+ Jack Kettle-Smith	+ Christina Happel- Humphreys

+ *Our neighbours:* Christ Church, New Life Christian Centre, Jesus International Outreach Ministry

Blyth Oxley is out of hospital and thanks all those who visited him – he is very happy to have visitors at home, if you can spare the time. Please phone first.

Debbie Miller thanks you for your prayers. She is well on the road to recovery and slowly returning to work.

+ Taerese Agulanna, Alistaire Nesmith, Mia & Joshua Gardner being baptised here today.

Services this week

19 May – 24 May 2014

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
	2.30pm	Julian Group - Almshouses
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by Whitgift School Choristers
Tuesday	1.10pm	Eucharist
	4.15pm	Young people's confirmation classes
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by the Boy Choristers
	7.00pm	Lectio Divina
	7.00pm	Adult Confirmation Classes
Wednesday	11.00am	BCP Eucharist
	7.00pm	Minster Christian Studies Course – Ethics
	7.30pm	Healing Service
Thursday	11.00am	Eucharist – Whitgift House
	6.30pm	Youth Group
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist
	3.00pm	Service of Celebration for Mtr Pat's 20 th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination at St George's.

Next Sunday, 25 May 2014

6th Sunday of Easter

08.00am	Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:7-18; I Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21. Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 18 May 2014

5th Sunday of Easter

08.00am	Eucharist
Celebrant:	<i>Revd Sue Wheeler-Kiley</i>
09.50am	Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG
10.00am	Sung Eucharist
Celebrant:	<i>Canon Colin Boswell</i>
Preacher:	<i>Revd Chris Moore</i>
Hymns:	205, 336, 383, 120
Setting:	<i>Missa Brevis Palestrina</i>
Reader:	<i>James Cannon</i>
Intercessor:	<i>Diana Hemmings</i>
Motet:	<i>Zadok the Priest Handel</i>
Voluntary:	<i>Spitfire Prelude Walton Dambusters Coates (TL)</i>

Retiring Collection for the Minster 'General Fund' Campaign.

Coffee, tea & squash is served in the church hall after the 10am Service.

12.00noon	Baptism <i>Canon Colin Boswell</i>
4.00pm	Evening Prayer at the Almshouses – Gillian Perrins
6.30pm	Choral Evensong <i>Revd Chris Moore</i>
Officiant:	<i>Revd Milo Brandon</i>
Preacher:	<i>Revd Milo Brandon</i>
Hymns:	471, 431, 445
Responses:	Rose
Psalms:	147: 1-12
Canticles:	Brewer in D
Anthem:	<i>Thy word is a lantern Purcell</i>
Voluntary:	<i>Chorale Prelude in Eventide Parry</i>

Initials after a voluntary indicates who will be playing:

RK – Ronny Krippner, TL – Tom Little, DW – David Warren, MH – Martin How.

Your offerings today

Thank you for your offering to the work of the Minster. If you are a UK tax payer, please consider Gift Aiding any donation, by completing one of the White Gift Aid envelopes or by filling in a more permanent Gift Aid Declaration which is available at the back of church.

If you are new, please complete a 'Blue Welcome Card' which is available at the back of church. Please ask a sides' person for details.

Children's **Activity Bags** are available at the back of church for use with your child in the pews. Please ask a Sides' person to show you where they are.

The May Magazine is available today: £1.00.
The Church Times is available each week: £1.90.
The Bridge Newspaper (free) is available.

Sponsorship of the church flowers— forms are available under the tower. £25 buys one arrangement only.

For the Food Store we need: Sugar, tinned fish, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, coffee, tea, soup, baked beans, cook in sauces for pasta etc. *Food parcels are now being distributed from the 'Octopus', our shop, across from the front of the church.*

Please remember to return your Lent Boxes as soon as possible if you did not do so today – thank you.

Donations to the Minster

During April, 166 people donated to the Minster through standing order, weekly and monthly envelopes and one off donations raising a total of £10,133 with gift aid. Thank You. We have now launched Minster General Fund Campaign (MGFC) and will therefore hope to see this figure increase month on month up to December, with your support. Thank you for supporting this important campaign for reducing the Minster's deficit. Debbie & Karen (Treasurers) and Gail & Karen (Churchwardens).

Ballroom dancing classes have resumed:
Tuesdays at 8.00pm & Saturdays at 12.00noon

Minster Christian Studies Course (Ethics) continue on Wednesdays 21, 28 May & 4, 11 June. These will be led by Fr Chris.

Book Group starts on **Tuesday 20 May** at 10.00am in the Vicar's Study. The chosen book is 'The Screwtape Letters' by CS Lewis. Copies are available from the Minster Office at £6.50 per copy.

Lectio Divina – Alternate Tuesdays at 7.00pm.

Youth Group – Thursdays 6.30pm – 8.00pm.

Confirmation Classes

Young people's classes will be held on Tuesdays at 4.15pm in the Vicar's Study with Fr Colin

Adult classes will be on Tuesday 7.00pm in the Vicar's Study with Fr Chris

Monday 19 May, 7.30pm – PCC Meeting in the church hall.

Wednesday 21 May, 2.00pm – Mothers' Union Knitting Group in the Vicar's Study.

Minster Boys' Choir at Rochester Cathedral
Our boy choristers are singing Evensong this Wednesday 21st May - 5.30pm at Rochester Cathedral, together with the Choristers of Whitgift School. This means that, unfortunately, there won't be Choral Evensong at the Minster that day.

Next Sunday – Rachel Rhodes will be selling cakes at coffee time. £1.00 per slice. Rachel will be happy to take orders for cakes, but can only bake over the weekend.

Wednesday 4 June 12.30pm – Lunch at the Gipsy Moth pub, The Colonnades, Purley Way. Free parking, end of 119 bus route. Come and join us. Details: David Gilbert 07906 503657.

Sunday 22 June 6.30pm – Confirmation.

Friday 5 – Sunday 7 September – The Minster Annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham led by Fr Colin.

New IT Equipment Needed Thanks to some very generous donations we have now received £780.00 for our new IT equipment for the Music Department and our Treasurers. Many thanks to those who so generously assisted with these purchases. Gail and Karen, the Music Department and the Treasurers.

The New Fund Raising Campaign:

Minster 'General Fund' Campaign (MGFC) Letters with details about our campaign are available at the back of church – if not, please ask. We need everyone to join our campaign to help our 'General Fund' out of crisis by helping in the following ways:

Donations – please give an additional £2.50 per person per week from now until December either by amending your standing order (please ask for a separate form), or by offering cash (gift aided where possible). We are printing special gift aid envelopes, but until these are available, we will have retiring collections (please use the white Gift Aid envelopes if appropriate).

Fundraising Group – join the group to help with fundraising events, or pass on any ideas of events you think might work for us. Please sign up under the Tower.
Savings & Cuts Group – pass on any ideas of how you think we can save more money to Karen our Churchwarden so the group can consider these.

Job vacancies:

Logistics Manager – 'Samaritans Purse' based in Buckhurst Hill, Essex. Details from the Minster Office. Closing date: Wednesday 21 May 2014.

Finance Manager – 'Christian Family Concern' South Croydon. Details from the Minster Office. Closing date: Monday 19 May 2013.

Maureen Hickling needs 3" flower pots for planting out her seedlings. If you have any of these, please could you bring them in for Maureen? Thank you

Our Parish Clergy are available to talk, they are:

Vicar:	Canon Colin J Luke Boswell	020 8688 1387
Assoc. Vicar:	Revd Milo Brandon	020 8680 4484
Deacon:	Revd Chris Moore	020 8680 7890
Hon Curate:	Revd Mark Hill	020 8688 1387
St George's	Revd Pat Vowles	020 8688 7006