

Notices

It would appear that we as a church will not be meeting in person for quite a while, however, I will weekly telephone you (along with Gail) both to see how you are doing and to see if you need anything.

If you know of a neighbour who would appreciate a phone call please let Gail or I know.

Inside this notice sheet will be the scripture readings for the week – please use the time wisely that we are in self-isolation.

If you are not familiar with technology please ask a younger member of the family to show you. It is a way we can worship together in our homes, just as the early Christians did thousands of years ago.

Instructions to access the live stream for services:-

- Navigate to the main St Mary's Woodkirk Facebook page.
www.facebook.com/stmarywoodkirk.
- All scheduled lives will be pinned at the top of the page and you can join them by clicking on them at the time that they start.
- Alternatively a link to the live will also be published on our **A Church Near You** page
- Find the event taking place and click on "More about this event" this will automatically take you straight to the live service on Facebook.

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St Mary's Church, Woodkirk,

and Friends of Woodkirk Churchyard.

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WELCOME TO ST MARY'S WOODKIRK



*Engaging with God
Engaging with Each Other
Engaging with the Community*

Sunday 22nd March 2020 – Mothering Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion (streamed via Facebook live)

Instructions to Connect given in column 4

Services for the week

Mon 9.00am Morning Prayer (streamed as above)
Tues 6.00pm Evening Prayer (streamed as above)
Weds 10.00am Holy Communion (streamed as above)
Thurs 9.00pm Night Prayer (streamed as above)
Fri 9.00am Morning Prayer (streamed as above)

Next Sunday's Services are as follows: -

10.30am Holy Communion (streamed via Facebook live)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

From our Parish Prayer Diary: The World

From our Church Prayer Diary – Hill Top Academy, Blackgates Primary School, Westerton Primary Academy and Woodkirk Academy – both students and teachers

For those whose Baptisms have been postponed.

For those whose Weddings have to be changed

For those whose Funeral arrangements are not what they wish.

Those who have asked for **prayers for healing**:

Kevin; Richard; Grace; Ben; Betty; Gethin; Lionel; Queenie; Nancy & Philip, Frank, Nicole, Ethan, Barbara, Diane, Harry and Ollie, Margaret, Jerry, Louise, Simon, Chris.

We remember all those who we normally visit but cannot at the moment.

The family and friends of those who have recently died: -

Tony Bathie

And those whose **anniversaries** fall at this time: -
Allen Lorrinan

Scripture Readings for the coming Week:-

Sunday 22nd (Mothering Sunday) Holy Communion

Exodus 2:1-10
John 19: 25b-27

Monday 23rd Morning Prayer

Psalms 77
Hebrews 9:1-14

Tuesday 24th Evening Prayer

Psalms 85
Galatians 4:1-5

Wednesday 25th (Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary) Holy Communion

Isaiah 7:10-14
Luke 1:26-38

Thursday 26th Night Prayer

Psalms 139
Isaiah 58: 6-7

Friday 27th Morning Prayer

Psalms 102
Hebrews 10:26-39

It is unusual that we are having this period of enforced self-isolation: for some it will be very busy, and yet for others who are used to dashing around volunteering etc now find themselves confined to barracks for an indefinite period.

I have been confined in the Vicarage this past week due to Lizzy catching what appears to be a heavy cold and although I have been extremely busy trying to sort out new ways to share worship together, I have had to get out into the garden and get some fresh air.

I am not a stayer in at all – I like my lifestyle of popping here and popping there but at such times as these we do all have to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters and that means we should all stay in, work from home if we can, and only go out when it is really necessary for work or food.

Those who are on the front line from the very lowest paid the Care Workers who look after our Elderly to those who are Nurses in hospitals, to those who are Consultants, to the Police, the Paramedics and the Teachers we all owe a great debt as they take risks so that we may be safe. Please pray for them and do your bit by protecting yourself and them.

Church will be open from Monday 23rd each Day for Private Prayer only. It will be open daily from 11.00am to 12.00 noon and again from 6.00pm to 7.00pm.

Physical distancing will be necessary so please sit 6ft from another person. Washing of hands as you enter the church will need to be observed.

Please do not enter church if you are self-isolating or have a high temperature or a new continuous cough. Please follow the guidelines to self-isolate if this is the case.

After each opening all pews, door handles, light switches and toilets will be disinfected.

Obviously, this may change but I will keep you notified.

Finally, we all need to pray for so many things, wisdom for our Government, safety for our families but as Christians let us also be beacons of light to those around us. Help us share what we have and shop sensibly. Help us to be the ones to look out for our neighbours.

There is a great community group that has been started on facebook called Tingley, Ardsley & Thorpe- VIRAL KINDNESS

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/806339583205914/?fref=nf>

Take a look and if you can help then please do so.

Once again if you need anything please do not hesitate to contact me.

My prayers will be with you.

If you wish anything to go in this notice then please send it to me. I will email them out to those I have email addresses for and try to drop off copies for those that don't.

Best wishes

Sharon
Vicar

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen

