

# BULLETIN

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**Our new Rector:** We are absolutely delighted that Rev Leah Bates and her family are moving to Fetcham at the beginning of April with Leah's installation confirmed on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. The Rectory needs redecorating, and we'd love a team of volunteers to paint some of the walls that are currently sporting very bright colours before we get the professionals in and recarpet the bedrooms. If you're a dab hand with a paintbrush and/or a roller, please get in touch with Richard or Corinne. Paint supplied!

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity– 18-25 Jan 2024:** Churches Together in Bookham are marking the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity by providing a daily opportunity to meet together for Bible reading and prayer. Meeting at 8.30am each morning for about half an hour, except on Saturday when there will have prayers at 9am followed by croissants and coffee.

- +Thursday 18 Jan led by St Nicolas Church
- +Friday 19 Jan led by Bookham Baptist Church
- +Saturday 20 Jan. **9am** led by Eastwick Road Church
- +Monday 22 Jan **led by St Mary's Church Fetcham**
- +Tuesday 23 Jan led by St Nicolas Church
- +Wednesday 24 Jan led by Church of Holy Spirit Fetcham (*venue change*)
- +Thursday 25 Jan led by Bookham Baptist Church



Flyers are available from the back of church and from the church hall, or visit <https://stmarysfetcham.org.uk/whats-on/>



**Repair Café – Sat 3 Feb, 10am-12:30pm:** Bring your broken household items for repair on a first come first served basis to the church hall and our team of skilled volunteers will do their very best to try and repair them. However, we are asking the product owners to let the team know what they might be bringing in so that we can warn the repairers of the tools they may need to bring. The repair café is open monthly from 10am until 1pm with last repairs

being accepted at 12.30pm. Email [fabrepaircafe@gmail.com](mailto:fabrepaircafe@gmail.com) or visit : <https://fetchamandbookhamrepaircafe.com/>

**Homemade Stall - Sun 4 Jan:** Come along to the church hall after the 9.30 and before the 11.15 services. As usual we will have a **Christmas present amnesty**: if you are given a new Christmas present that you just can't find a space for, do bring it along and someone might like to buy it. This is the only time of year you can donate something that is not homemade. New presents only please. Throughout the year, we would be enormously grateful for your contributions for our monthly homemade stall. Maybe a New Year's resolution could be to make us something every couple of months, or whatever works for you. Without your contributions the Homemade Stall will fold and we will be unable to the homework clubs and the training of apprentices in slums of Kibera, Nairobi. We hope to see you then!

### **Afternoon Tea – Sat 27 Jan, 3-4:40pm:**

We welcome the elder people in the community to come along to our Church Hall to enjoy tea, chat and occasional entertainment on the last Saturday of the month. Please remember to prebook so we have an idea of numbers by visiting our website, contact the Parish Office on 01372 375000 or email [office@stmarysfetcham.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarysfetcham.org.uk).



Please share with friends and neighbours who you think would benefit from enjoying the afternoon. The team look forward to enjoying your company.

**Walk Through Easter Volunteers Needed – Mon 25 & Tues 26 Mar:** The Families Team are looking for volunteers to help at the morning and afternoon sessions on the Monday and Tuesday. You don't have to do all of the sessions, just a morning of afternoon would be helpful. To find out more please get in contact with [Hannah@stmarysfetcham.org.uk](mailto:Hannah@stmarysfetcham.org.uk), the sooner the better so we can ensure we have all the necessary safer recruitment and safeguarding procedures in place to run this event.

**Christmas Present Campaign:** We have received the following:

*“On behalf of the team and our clients, please could you pass on our deep felt thanks and gratitude for the generous Christmas presents that you gave to the children of our CAP clients. They were overwhelmed by the sheer generosity of the gifts. It was a real privilege to be able to deliver such wonderful gifts to our families and being able to share God's love with them. “With grateful thanks to everyone involved in what, this year, was a huge undertaking. I still can't believe that you were able to cater for so many children and so generously.”*

**Youth Newsletter coming soon.** Please visit the Youth page for latest news or to catch up on the last one <https://stmarysfetcham.org.uk/connect-us/youth/>



## Other News

**Oakfield Junior School - HR and Admin Officer:** An exciting opportunity to work within their office administration team, supporting the School Business Manager and Headteacher in their duty to ensure that the school meets its educational aims. The role is available for 30 hours worked over 4 days during term time. For full details and to apply please visit [LINK Admin & HR Officer \(eteach\)](#)

**POSE Rapunzel Pantomime** – Fri 19/Sat 20 & Fri 26/Sat 27: Taking place The Old Barn Hall, Bookham. Tickets £10 adults, £8 children and are available on [www.posedrama.co.uk](http://www.posedrama.co.uk) or Churchods Estate Agent Bookham.

**Happy Child Charity – Part-time bookkeeper:** This is a Christian Leatherhead based charity : [www.happychild.org](http://www.happychild.org). The role would require a minimum of a day a week and when preparing material for annual accounts perhaps a day and a half. It would be on a self employed basis and would expect to pay bookkeeping hourly rates. They would like the person to come into the office occasionally but the person can work from home/remotely. The office is currently open on Mon. Tues and Thurs from 9 to 5 so daytime availability would be important. Income from the charity comes in monthly from Direct Debits, Trusts and Foundations, Events and invoices have to be paid as and when. Ideally try would like someone who could do Pay Role but this is not essential.

**Stoke D'Abernon Thursday Lunchtime Concerts:** No need to book but a retiring collection is taken.

**Thurs 25 Jan, 1pm** - Organ recital in the Church by Martin Toyer

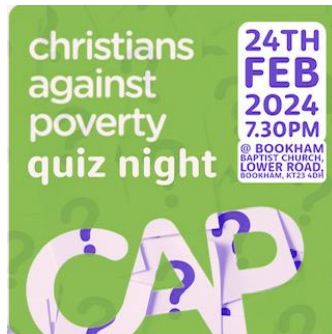
**Thurs 29 Feb, 1pm** - Recorder and harpsichord duo concert "Airs for the Seasons", and is a programme of Scottish baroque music including traditional Scottish folk tunes.

Also, **Fri 2 Feb, 7pm** - Solo harpsichord recital by Matthew Brown "mr w birde of the chapell"

**Coffee Morning – Sat 3 Feb, 10-12noon:** [Bookham Choral Society](#) are holding their annual coffee morning at the Old Barn Hall in Bookham. There are several independent stallholders attending including books, plants, arts and Crafts, as well as cakes and sweet treats. Free entry.

**CAP Quiz – Sat 24 Feb, 7.30pm:** Support Christians Against Poverty by attending their quiz at Bookham Baptist Church. To book visit : [Bookham Baptist Church](#)

**Connect** – Every other Thursday group for people with dementia with their carer or partner meeting at St Lawrence Church Hall, Effingham:.. For more info [gillconnect1@gmail.com](mailto:gillconnect1@gmail.com) or 01372 457978. Next is 1<sup>st</sup> Feb



**Connect in Song** – Meeting the first Tuesday of the month, 2.30pm at St Alphege Church Hall, Effingham for people with dementia or Parkinson's with their carer or partner.



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Thank you to everyone who donates food throughout the year – it really is appreciated. **Please ensure donations are sealed, in date and do not contain alcohol.**

This week's Foodbank wish list is as follows:

Jars of cooking sauce (not just pasta sauce), Tinned fruit, Tinned spaghetti, Jam, Long life sponge puds, Long life juice, UHT milk, Powdered milk, Sugar (500g bags), Cereal bars, Loo rolls, Shampoo, Shaving gel / foam, Toothpaste adult, Single Adult toothbrushes, Washing up liquid, Washing powder, Nappies 5+ and 6

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## Sunday Services

**8am Communion Service** : said Book of Common Prayer

**9:30am Communion Service** : sung Common Worship

**11:15am Worship Service** : informal with worship band

**Also, 10am Thursday** : Communion Service (monthly 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday)

## Prayers

*We welcome you to join us at St Mary's for:*

**Monday Morning Prayers** : 8:15-8:45am

**Private Prayer in Church** : Monday to Saturday 9am -3pm

**Please pray for our new Rector** and her family as they make plans to move to Fetcham, for all those who are lonely and for all our church members.

**Bible Reading Plan 2024:** Available on our website - <https://stmarysfetcham.org.uk/bible-reading-plan/>

**We continue to pray for those who are unwell:** Barbara Grant, Gillian Mills, Henk Potts, Matthew Aldrich, Fay Burroughs, Vera Cameron, John Cooper, Anais Featherstone, Dean Hammond, Elaine Mead,

**And those in residential care:** Sheila Bramwell, Jill Gray and June Williams.



## Diary Dates

Sat 20 Jan – Who Let The Dads Out?, 9-11:30am

18-25 Jan 2024 – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Mon 22 Jan – St Mary's hosting Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, 8.30am

Sat 27 Jan – Afternoon Tea, 3-4:30pm

Sun 4 Feb – Homemade stall

Fri 16 Feb – Messy Church, 3:30-5pm

Wed 14 Feb – Ash Wednesday Service, 8pm

Thurs 15 Feb – Thursday 10am Communion & Coffee Morning + Hear Hear

Sat 23 Feb – Afternoon Tea, 3-4:30pm

Fri 15 Mar – Messy Church, 3:30-5pm

Wed 17 Apr – Installation of Rev Leah Bates, 7.30pm

*Thurs 25 July 2024, 2pm – St Mary's Golf Day – contact Brian Egles*

## Regulars

Monday – Community Fridge 10-11am (not open on Bank Holidays)

Monday – Community Coffee Shop 10-11.30am (not open on Bank Holidays)

Monday\* - The Drop-In (School Yrs 7-13) 4-5.30pm

Tuesday – Youth Night (School Yrs 7-13) 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> monthly 7.30-9pm

Thursday\* – Community Coffee Stop @ Fetcham Village Hall 9-11am

Friday\* - Footprints Baby & Toddlers 10-11.30am

Friday – Messy Church (all the family) 2<sup>nd</sup> of the month 3.30-5pm

Sunday\* – Activ8 for under 11s and Sunday Youth for 11+ during 11.15 service

\* Running in Term Time

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## Keep up to date with St Marys:

Website: [www.stmarysfetcham.org.uk](http://www.stmarysfetcham.org.uk)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryschurchfetcham/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/stmarysfetcham/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/StMarysFetcham>

My ChurchSuite: [Log in](#)

**Hearing Aid Supplies:** contact Jacky on 01372 602092 or [family.breadmore@gmail.com](mailto:family.breadmore@gmail.com)

**Recycling – Milk Bottle Tops only** - Please do not leave plastic bags or crisp packets to be recycled. The people who used to collect them stopped taking at the start of Covid.

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