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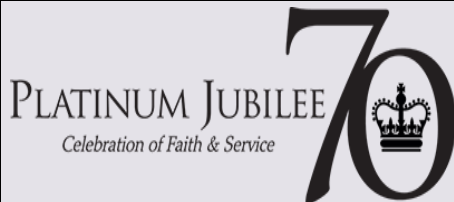
DIARY

Upcoming Services:

Tue 17 May: 10.15am Holy Communion. John 13:31-35.
Sun 22 May: 10.30am Holy Communion. 1 John 4:7-21.
1.00pm Internment of Ashes Service.

Events this week:

Mon 16 May 7.30pm PCC in church
Tues 17 May 11am Connexions in church
Wed 18 May 9.15am Coffee Break Baby & Toddler group
Thur 19 May 1.45pm Thursday Fellowship in the church centre
Sat 21 May 10am SHAPE course part 2



FETE: JUNE 4th 2pm

Publicity: It's time to let everyone know that the Platinum Jubilee Fete is happening. You can:

- Deliver invitation cards to friends, family, colleagues or through letterboxes of streets in the parish. **Please mark the streets you intend to leaflet using the map on the church noticeboard.** How many can you deliver?
- Ask shops and other places to put up a poster - they are available in church.

Letters: If you have kindly volunteered to help with the Queen's Jubilee event on June 4th, please collect a letter from the foyer explaining what we are asking you to do on that day. If you are not present, we will post the letter to you.

We need you! We still need a number of helpers to make this event work well. If you can spare a few hours on Saturday afternoon June 4th, please could you sign up on the list in the foyer. This is a great opportunity to help make a big impact in our local community.

Paper Chains: We have hundreds of union jack paper chains to make up for the Jubilee Event. If you can help with these, please could you collect them from church on Sunday or contact Jane by email at janehulme@smso.org.uk Thank you.

Ingredients cards: If you are baking for the Queen's Jubilee, please could you pick up an ingredients card from the table in the foyer. You need to fill in a card for everything you bake and include it in the labelled tin that you bring your cake/biscuits to church in. We will be receiving your cakes/biscuits from 9am on June 4th at church.

CHURCH BUSINESS

Your PCC: elected last week, is as follows:

Clergy: Alan Hulme, Jane Hulme,

Wardens: Anna Naish, Alisdair Rusk, Debbie Olnier, Laura Freeman-Powell,

Deanery Reps: Anne Love, Debbie Olnier, Nicola Tysall, Dave MacLellan,

PCC Reps: Gail Heslop, Tom Daniel, Terry Seamer, Val Burgon, Di Doyle, Chris Haistead, Alex Norton,

There are two casual vacancies after the APCM for which nominations have been received. The PCC will review those on Monday.

If you have things you think ought to be discussed, or want to input to church decisions, these are the people to talk with.

GOD DEPENDENT

Bookstall: It would be helpful to have a small bookstall available some/most weeks at the 10.30 service. Could you be responsible for that? Talk to Alan Hulme if this might be your ministry. 01788 330442.

MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

Christian Aid Week: 15th - 21st May. After having a wonderful response to the appeal for the Ukraine which went through Christian Aid, we will not be doing our usual collection during this week, but if anyone does want to make a donation there will be envelopes in Church and at Overslade this week and next. There will also be collection in the Town Centre on Friday, 20th May. The money raised this year is to support families in Zimbabwe who are struggling with aching hunger because of the climate crisis.

Connexions: This **Tuesday May 17th** between 11am-1pm, will include activities and games followed by a simple lunch. Who do you know who might like to "meet old friends and make new ones?" Give them a Connexions invitation – or better still bring them along!

SERVING GOD IN HIS WORLD

Climate Question Time Event: organised by Rugby Green Christian Group. 7.30 – 9.30pm, Friday June 10th at Rugby Methodist Church Centre. They have invited our MP and Council representatives to form a panel and address questions. The event is FREE to attend, but please register via Eventbrite at: <https://rugbyclimateqt.eventbrite.com/> Submit questions to rugby@greenchristian.org.uk by 26th May.

BUILDING

Church Working Party: Sat 28 May 9am-1pm and 1pm to 5pm. Thank you to the 29 people who have signed up to help. We will be allocating jobs later this week, so if you are able to join in for a few hours, please sign up using the sheets in the foyer. What we are most short of is people strong enough to carry furniture around.

Side Hall Refurbishment: While the side hall is out of action in June, arrangements will be as follows:

- The marquee will be erected in the church centre garden for CoffeeBreak to continue.
- After church on Sunday, we will move the pews as far back as possible to enable Connexions to run in the church.
- **NEEDED.** At least 2 strong people to volunteer to move the pews back to their normal places between Wednesday lunchtime and Saturday evening. Can anyone offer to do or organise this and take the job off Alan?

PRAYER POINTS for w/c Monday May 16th

- That we will "guard the truth" that we have been entrusted with and that we will keep going following Jesus despite any opposition we face.
- For the new PCC meeting on Monday evening at 7.30pm, that we would follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.
- For the Mission Partnership group meeting on Tuesday evening at 7.30pm, for clarity over the way forward for the Missions we partner with as a church.
- That we deliver as many invitations to the Platinum Jubilee Event as we can, and that the Lord will bring people to this event.

JUST FOR FUN

Eco Tip: **Paper belts are a waist of time.**

Church Office: The church office at 1a New Street is open from 9.30am - 1.30pm Mon - Thursday. To keep office staff safe, we are still asking visitors to remain in the foyer and not enter the offices.

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Missed Something?: We try not to repeat too much in the e-bulletins, so if you missed a week, pick up last week's sheet too.