Sunday 15th April 2018

3rd Sunday of Easter

Welcome

**We hope you enjoy worshipping here today especially if it is your first time.** Please don’t be a stranger - make yourself known to the Vicar or Welcomers and join us for coffee after the service. Children have their own events during the Service and all arewelcome to join.

Parish Day with APCM Sunday 22nd April

8.00 am Holy Communion @ St L’s

10.00 am Holy Communion @ St A’s

11.15 am Refreshments

11.30 am Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1.00 pm Lunch

1.45 pm God’s mission in our Parish

2.00 pm Workshop sessions

3.30 pm Closing worship

**You are cordially invited to**

**A Parish Day celebrating St Augustines with St Luke’s**

**Sunday 22nd April – 10am–4pm**

(includes free lunch)



**Today’s services**

8am Holy Communion @ St L’s

 Micah 6: 6-8

10am Family Service

 Micah 6: 6-8

Gal 5: 13-26

6pm CW Evening Prayer@ St L’s

 Gal 5: 13-26

**Collect for Today**

Risen Christ,

you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:

strengthen us to proclaim your risen life

and fill us with your peace,

to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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**Worship Songs/Hymns**

Spirit of God as strong as the wind.

Spirit of the living God,

 fall afresh on me

Holy Spirit lving breath of God.

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**Services for the week ahead**

Morning Prayer 9.15am daily @StA’s (except Wednesday)

Morning Prayer 9.30am @StL’s

(Saturday) in Hall, Raglan Rd.

Wednesday Mid-week service of

Holy Communion 11.45am @ StA’s

------------------------------------------**Readings for Next Week**

8am @ StL’s Holy Communion

 Psalm 150

10am @ StA’s Holy Communion

(inc APCM and Parish Day)

Psalm 150
Eph 4: 1-16

6pm @ StL’s No Service

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**Thought for the Week**

Finishing is better than starting! Patience is better than pride!

*Ecclesiastes 7:8*

**Dates for Diary**

18th Apr “Bits & Pieces” – (mini cross-stitch) £5 - includes all materials. 7.45pm Garden Rm.

21st Apr NGS – Open Garden, Bishopcourt, 11-2pm, £4 entry.

22nd Apr Parish Day & APCM, 10am to 4pm – all welcome. See flyer for more information.

19th May 23rd Explorer Scouts, Barn Dance, 7-10pm @ St A’s. See Les, Karen or James for info.

**Parish Day/APCM 22nd April**

**Sunday 22nd April 11.30am – The electoral roll -** To enable you to vote and attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) 22nd April, your name must be on the church Electoral Roll. If your name does not appear on the list and you wish to attend, please complete an application form available from the back of church and return it to Nickie in the Office or speak with the Churchwardens. Many thanks.

**Election of Churchwardens, Deanery Synod and PCC**

Nominations for Churchwardens, Deanery synod and PCC members are required and also if you are willing to take minutes at the PCC and Standing Committee meetings, then please speak with Mary Plummer or Katrina. Many thanks.

**Parish Day/APCM – Group Activity Reports**

The APCM will take place on 22nd April at 11.30am in the Garden Room. Please could all the Group Activity Reports be submitted to the Office as soon as possible. Many thanks.

**National Garden Scheme – Open Garden**

**Saturday 21st April, 11-2pm -** Bishopscourt is holding a ‘NGS pop-up’ Open Garden for tulips. Entry £4.00. Refreshments available. 24 St Margaret’s Street, Rochester, ME1 1TS. Any queries please contact Bridget Langstaff bridget.langstaff@btinternet.com

**Barn Dance (raising funds for Kenya Expedition)**

**Saturday 19th May 2018, 7–10pm -** To be held here in the main church with Catherine Lowe and friends playing and leading the dances. Tickets cost £7.50 for adults and £5 for under 16s

See Les, Karen or James Fairhurst for more details and to buy your tickets.

**Donations for Explorer Scout Kenya Expedition**

The Explorer Scouts will each be taking an extra suitcase with them to take much needed kit & clothes for the Boy’s Safe House they will be staying and working on during their stay. There is a box at the back of Church to put any donations you can offer in. Please see Les, Karen or James Fairhurst if you have any questions about this or the expedition in general. The Charity are looking for: Black School Shoes (Primary & Secondary)

 Shorts & T-Shirts Footballs

 Underpants & Socks Hand Tools

 Black Smart Trousers Battery Power Drills (x2)

 Waterproof lightweight Jackets

 Single Bed Sheet (flat type)

 Towels

**In Katrina’s absence, please see the Churchwardens in the first instance,**

**or speak with the Office.**