

FOR PRAYER

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DEPARTED: John Powney Jr

ANNIVERSARIES: Please see list by ICON and in the magazine

PRAYERS: Charlotte, Cynthia and Max Drinkwater, as Fr Max prepares to become priest-in-charge of Haverhill St Mary's with Withersfield St Mary's tomorrow evening, Holy Cross Day, at 19.30 hrs. Fr John will be presenting him to the bishop, and representing our SMENN benefices: St Mary's, St Agnes', and Exning with Landwade.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER: Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

From the virtual prayer board of the benefice of Haverhill and Withersfield

Please pray for: those parents preparing for the Baptism of their children, those preparing for Confirmation, and the couples preparing to get married in our church. The housebound, elderly, in hospital and the Hospice. And all who mourn the recent loss of a loved one. All those whose year's mind fall at this time, *'May light perpetual shine upon them.'*

A Prayer for the Royal Australian Air Force

O Lord our Governor, who has given humankind dominion over earth, air and sea; we ask you to look favourably upon your servants who are called to serve their country in the Royal Australian Air Force.

Give your servants courage, a steady nerve and a ready mind. Sustain them in days of preparation, in the daily round of routine servicing and weary waiting. Be with them we pray in all times of sudden peril, and grant that under your mighty protection they may be preserved in body, mind and spirit. We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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NOTICES

A message from Fr Max. We are extremely grateful to everyone for all their good wishes and prayers, as well as cards and gifts, as we leave Exning & North Newmarket and prepare to start in Haverhill. The chasuble set we received last Sunday is beautiful and I look forward to making good use of it. We have been greatly blessed throughout our four years in the benefices, thanks to your generous welcome, and although I am sorry that we could not open last Sunday's service to everyone because of the current restrictions, thank you to everyone who was there in person or online, and we will see you all again soon! Very best wishes, Max (Associate Rector, Newmarket St Mary & Exning St Agnes – for just a few more days).

A big Thank you from the rector to the St Mary's Flower Power girls (dare I call them that?!) for turning out in force on a late summer Friday and Saturday (just a week back) to adorn St Mary's Newmarket in her festive apparel, the chosen colours and flowers being highly appropriate to the occasion. It helps us realise that Covid-19 can't quench the spirit of our worship, even without any singing. Thank you also to Elizabeth Klingaman for continued assistance at the St Mary's organ through these strange days. Flowers and melody both brighten up our Sundays at 'the church on the green'.

Worship in church. St Mary's. Regular continues at St Mary's, subject to any updated advice from Bishop Martin and the House of Bishop: please be on the lookout for this, though nothing has changed at the time of writing. Worship is still restricted: social distancing still needs to be kept, masks worn, hands sanitised, Holy Communion will be administered in one kind only, no singing until further notice.

Re-starting at St Agnes'. The rector has agreed with the wardens to re-start services at St Agnes' with Matins at 11.15 am on Sunday 20 September.

NB: Sunday 8am and Monday evening Communion services at St Mary's will not resume until further notice, nor any worship at St P & E's.

Online worship: a message from the clergy. We will continue to offer an online service as a principal Sunday service at 10am (and opening up half an hour beforehand) for September. There will also be Wednesday evening services at 7pm, some following a familiar format,

and perhaps newer things also. So watch for **Celtic Evening Prayer 16th September**. As usual, the telephone line will be open for all online services (accessed by dialling 03300 945 940 and using room number 24456910# and PIN 7760# when prompted), and service sheets plus Youtube link will be made available at <https://www.stmarysandstagnesnewmarket.org.uk/service-times/> for you to download.

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. *Fr Mark Haworth visited* lots of churches yesterday between here and Cambridge. Last week, he wrote: 'I would be very grateful to receive sponsorship to raise money for our churches (50% ours, 50% SHCT as usual).

Since most people are sponsored by a straight donation rather than per church, this shouldn't be a problem, and sponsorship can also be collected via JustGiving. It is easy to setup your own online JustGiving page and you can then provide your potential sponsors with the JustGiving link. Enter the SHCT JustGiving site; either sign in to your JustGiving account or set up a new account, then select "Fundraise for us", then "Taking part in an event". By choosing "Suffolk Churches Ride and Stride 2020" from the list you will then be able to set up your own collection page and you will get a link you can forward to your friends and family by email, Facebook or Twitter. **Please ensure that you write on your JustGiving page, either in the "What I'm doing and why" box or in the "My Story" box, which church or chapel you would like your sponsorship money to benefit.** Many thanks indeed.' We wait to hear how he got on.

Psalm 103.8-13

The LORD is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹ He will not always accuse,

nor will he keep his anger forever.

¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins,

nor repay us according to our iniquities.

¹¹ For as the heavens are high above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

¹² as far as the east is from the west,

so far he removes our transgressions from us.

¹³ As a father has compassion for his children,

so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.

**Welcome to the
Benefice of St Mary's Newmarket with St Agnes' Exning
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Battle of Britain Sunday
13 September 2020**

READINGS

9.45

Genesis 50.15-21

Psalms 103.8-13

Matthew 18.21-35

6.30

Psalms 66

Isaiah 52.13-53 end

Ephesians 2.11-end

COLLECT: Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

As the church's ministry continues and adapts during the COVID-19 challenge, your prayers are much appreciated by myself and all the clergy at this time. With our prayers and best wishes. Please do not hesitate to be in contact should you wish to speak with one or other of us: Revds John, Max, Cheryl, Jeremy; also Canon Mark.

CHURCH SERVICE DETAILS: PLEASE READ ON

