

FOR PRAYER

SICK AND SHUT-IN: Debbie Thornton / Alan Bartlett / Olive Lane / Bryan Walker / Wendy Trent / Margaret Watson / Pamela Bowen / Cindie Lind / Marlene Jackaman / Georgina Simpson / Caroline Tea / Sybil Groves / Stuart Voss / Ruby Lee / Lynne Hayward / Jean Marsh / Colin Wyatt / Jenny Robinson / Graham Anderton / Roger Newton / Ian Ramsay-Helie / Liz Walsh

DEPARTED: Betty Wigham. ANNIVERSARIES: see the list in the magazine.

PRAYERS FOR:

- Molly Ella Mackay, christened at St Agnes' last Sunday.
- Hugh McCalmont and Virginia Hofford Macgregor, married Wednesday 30 June at St Agnes'.
- Michael Radford, Acting Head of Fairstead House School (from last month), and his industrious staff team.
- Thanks for the successful outcome of St Mary's Jigsaw Festival and all the team who worked hard to make it excellent outreach.

Looking forward...

- **The next St Mary's Evensong:** 1 August at 6.30 pm.
- **St Mary's Monday Evening Communion:** not till further notice.

Memorial services planned at St Mary's. Please take note:

- Friday 24 September: for the late Elizabeth Joan Hardy
- Postponed until 2022: for the late Peter Millington Brown

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER: God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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NOTICES

Fairstead House successfully celebrated their end-of-year prize-giving at St Mary's on Tuesday morning past, albeit in a very low-key way. There was some scary excitement Monday evening when the church front door lock jammed as we came in to do a bit more clearing up after the Jigsaw Fest, but all was well eventually – no locksmith needed!

Mothers' Union update. *Ruth Kent writes:* The information I gave you for the pewsheet a couple weeks ago unfortunately was changed two days later! The Wave Of Prayer service will be held in the morning of 27th July. The August Poetry & Prayers meeting on the 6th has been replaced by Afternoon Tea at The Rosery, Exning at 2pm. Cost: £15pp. Details of set menu available from Ruth Kent. Names of those who wish to attend to Ruth by Wednesday 28th July, please.

The Sacramental Ministry discussion for the congregations of St Mary's and St Agnes'... Well: it happened, quite calmly and cordially (all things considered). Thursday 1 July. Our thanks to the evening's patient facilitator, Dean Joe Hawes of St Edmundsbury Cathedral, and to Dr David Jenkins, Archdeacon of Sudbury, who had to blow his whistle quite a lot as the meeting's referee. Also to all who vigorously contributed with their views and voices on a range of related topics, or who let me know in advance of their opinions on this sensitive subject.

Christian Aid are appealing for churches to help with the **Global Hunger Appeal**, especially for Africa, where the food crisis has become very critical. If members of St Mary's would like the opportunity to send some financial aid, please would they today note and use the Christian Aid bucket on the table near the entrance, like you did for Hurricane Adai? St Martin's congregation have also been invited to make contributions. All donations will be much appreciated by the charity.

The next live-streaming of Holy Communion will be on 18 July from St Mary's, from 09.30 with the Revd Cheryl Belding – as always - 'driving the bus'. Service sheet available at: [Service Times – St. Mary's & St. Agnes Anglican Churches, Newmarket.](#) (The Whypay chatline will be also be available. Please dial 03300 945 940, and follow the instructions; the Room Number when asked is 24456910, and the PIN 7760. Please remember to include the # at the end of the room number and again at the end of the pin number.)

Service arrangements going forward: Note that from July, as Covid-19 restrictions are (hopefully) lifted further, we will be live-streaming Sunday services twice a month only (until further notice): one Sunday a month from St Agnes', one Sunday a month from St Mary's (generally the third Sunday). Btw, if there is anyone out there who thinks they might be prepared to commit to learning about becoming a 'bus driver' in the future, please have a word with Cheryl or Fr John.

Meanwhile, our renewed thanks go to Cheryl for delivering this online service so dependably, week in and week out over the past 18 months. She would like it to be known that the Wednesday evening online Chat Time and Compline (6.30-7.30 pm) will continue on a weekly basis from July.

The British Jigsaw Championship (in the Turner Hall and the Memorial Hall) was an Awfully Big Adventure which brought folks in from far and wide (Sarah, the winner, came all the way from Taverham, near Norwich). I'd thought we'd 59 (socially distanced) competitors in all. But there were actually more than that, as I hadn't allowed for the number of pairs taking part - one of which was actually a triplet! We're talking about adults here, not children, though the average age of the participants was wide-ranging, an indication of how popular puzzling has become across the generations during the pandemic.

I must reiterate our thanks to Ali Mohammed (of Ali's Market in Old Station Road) and his fellow-Muslims from Newmarket Islamic Centre (based at what used to be the Five Bells hostelry), who generously gave their valuable time to carry over the plyboards from the hall to the pew-tops in St Mary's ahead of the festival – then back again on Tuesday past.

The set-up in church, and the clear-up, were greatly assisted by the lifting efforts of John Perkins, David Fordham, also by Dave and Lynnette Tonge, who kindly brought their van along for table-transporting purposes to and from the Severals cricket pavilion - all under close guidance from Peter Goodchild, who made sure the boards were properly marked up for next year's festival (it's amazing how much time that will save when the time comes). And we couldn't have done the Jigsaw Fest without volunteer help from the loyal team of folk who staffed the door and the cake table, which was well patronized.

**Welcome to the
Benefice of St Mary's Newmarket with St Agnes' Exning
THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Year B (according to the Common Worship Lectionary)
11 July 2021**

READINGS

NO EVENSONG

09.45 Mass (St Mary's)

11.15 Matins (St Agnes')

Psalm 85.8-13

Ephesians 1.3-14

Mark 6.14-29

COLLECT: Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you

such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU DO NOT LINGER AFTER THE SERVICE YOU'RE ATTENDING HAS ENDED, FOR COVID SECURITY REASONS; REMEMBER THAT EVEN OUTSIDE THE CHURCH, PROTOCOLS OF MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING ARE STILL IN FORCE AS LONG AS YOU ARE WITHIN CHURCH PRECINCTS!

