

24 July 2022:
Sixth Sunday after Trinity
Proper 12
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The Parish of East Preston with Kingston

St Mary the Virgin

NOTICE SHEET



Today's **hymns** are from the BLUE book (HON): 604; 30; 470; 447; 897; 286.

Today we publish the banns between Levi Doe and Sasha Smith. This is for the second time of asking.

Please pick up a 'Thank you' letter from Rev'd Emma and the Church Wardens today, as well as a leaflet about Giving to the Parish.

Pauline McLelland writes: There will be a Farewell "Bring and Share" lunch for Emma and Rols on Sun 14 Aug in the Vicarage Garden. Please see the list at the back of church or phone Pauline 412961 for more info.

There's another chance to come along to a **Dementia Friends** information session in the Spire Room on **Mon 5 Sept 7:30pm** to learn more about dementia, how it affects a person and what we can do to help people affected by dementia in our community.

Diary Dates:

Mon **1 Aug** 10am-12noon Welcome Café
Mon **1 Aug** 7:30pm Kyiv Classic Accordion Duo, St Peter & St Paul's, Rustington
Tues **2 Aug** 7pm Mass
Tue **2 Aug** 7:30pm PCC meeting
Sat **6 Aug** 10am Cleaning party!
Wed **17 Aug** 2pm PCC training with Helen James
Fri **26 & Sat 27 Aug** 7:30pm Melons at the Parsonage Arundel Lido
Sat **3 Sept** 1:30pm Support Ukraine Lunch and Afternoon Event, Angmering Community Centre
Sat **10 Sept** 10am-12noon Coffee Morning (for Ride and Stride)
Sat **1 Oct** Harvest Supper and Quiz
Sun **2 Oct** Harvest Festival
Sat **19 Nov** Fundraising Concert in memory of Mandy Paine
Fri **9-Sun 11 Dec** Christmas Tree Festival

The Family Support Work Amberley to Arundel sponsored walk is taking place this year on **Thur 11 Aug**. With a choice of two routes (8.6 or 2.7 miles) and a refreshment stop at St Nicholas church in Arundel, it's suitable for all ages and abilities. Individuals, families, groups, dogs all welcome to join! You can register for the walk online by emailing Jo in the fundraising team (jo@familysupportwork.org.uk) to be sent a registration form by email or post.

Joy, Mabs, Mavis and Jennie at Green Willow would like to invite their friends from St Mary's to join them for afternoon tea at Green Willow on **Thur 18 Aug 3pm**. This will be a monthly event on either the 3rd or 4th Thursday of each month.

Alison Grant writes: **Thanksgiving Service** to celebrate the life of Doug Medhurst is at 1pm on **Sat 10 Sept**, at St Mary's followed by tea & cake at East Preston Village Hall. All welcome & please pass on to anyone who knew Doug. Dress code - colourful! Retiring cash collection in aid of RNLI. There will be a live link and recording via St Mary's Church Facebook Live page <https://www.facebook.com/stmarysepl/> for those unable to join us in person. My sincere thanks to Pauline McLelland and the St Mary's church team for organising refreshments. Please do contact Pauline (01903 412961) if you would like to bring a cake to share! Many thanks, Alison (Doug's daughter)

Thanks to all who have been recycling printer cartridges with **Recycle4Charity**. St Mary's raised £20.15 during the period of 1 Apr - 30 June 2022. In the past year, £54.55 has been donated. Thanks too to Jenny for organising this initiative.

ECO HINT for July: HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT OF . . .
When you peel your potatoes for roasting and even your carrots, don't throw away the peelings. Instead lay them on a baking tray, drizzle with olive oil, a little seasoning and roast until crisp. They are nice as crisps or cut the peel up to make croutons for salad or soup.

Please remember in your prayers those in special need especially: Adrian; Mo; Alison; David; Chris; Gordon; Sue Ralph; Lucy Parkes; baby Luke Wells; Ness; Joan; Joan Smith; June Robbins; Ray Hand; Ray Bone; Mary; Steven; Richard.

We remember those who've died recently: Sister Lucia; Den Blaydes; Amy Branch; June Kirkham
and those whose anniversary falls this coming week: Doreen Pepper; Kenneth Day; Sr Grace of the Cross; Charles Boughton-Leigh; Selma John; Christopher Nicholson; Sybil Margaret Seymour; Frederick Cunnew; Jessie Fold; Lewis Arthur Darby; Eric William Gamble; Sr Edith of the Cross; Edith Harrison.

Fr Andrew is taking Study Leave until 6 August, and so will not be around - during this time Rev'd Emma will be in charge of all parish matters.

If you're able to make a regular donation to St Mary's, you can do so here: <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/east-preston-st-mary-littlehampton/>

Readings for next Sunday: (31 July: Trinity 7, Proper 13): Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21.

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www.stmarysepl.org.uk : www.facebook.com/groups/stmaryseastpreston (Monday is Rev Emma's day off: Friday is Fr Andrew's day off)
St Mary's is a Registered Charity and our number is: 1180544

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.

A reading from the book of Genesis:

²⁰Then the Lord said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.' So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' ²⁶And the Lord said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' ²⁷Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' ²⁹Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' ³⁰Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' ³¹He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' ³²Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

A reading from the letter to the Colossians:

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of

God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. [¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.]

A reading from the gospel according to St Luke:

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' ²He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. ³Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.'* And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." ⁷And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit* to those who ask him!'

Post Communion: 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.