

### Services this coming week

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February** – 11.15am Holy Communion

**PLEASE NOTE** from February there will still be fellowship and coffee from 10.30 onwards but Holy Communion only on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

- 8 am Holy Communion
- 10 am Service of the Word

**CHURCH BREAKFAST: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February from 8.30-10am** at Eureka Cafe, Eureka Place, Trinity Road. Come for anything from a cuppa to a cooked breakfast. See you there.

**LINK LUNCH: 20<sup>th</sup> February** – list at the back of church.

**LENT COURSE:** the church's season of Lent begins this month on Ash Wednesday, 18 February, when we will have a services of Holy Communion at 11.15am at SMK and at 7.30pm at the town centre.

Lent courses begin with either sessions at St Mary's Community Centre, Rylands Road on Tuesday mornings at 11:00am (from 24 February), or at St Mary's Town Centre on Wednesdays at 7:30pm (from 25 February). We will be finding out about 'The Desert Fathers and Mothers', a truly remarkable group of people from over 1500 years ago who have continued to inspire Christians ever since, and reflecting on what they can teach us today about following the way of Christ. Contact Jeremy if you wish to take part – [jeremy.worthen@ashfordchurches.co.uk](mailto:jeremy.worthen@ashfordchurches.co.uk)

**SOCIAL EVENTS:** Thinking about social events for this year, we would be delighted to receive donations of any 'unwanted Christmas Presents' as they may make excellent raffle prizes.

**MIKE BUTCHER** Whilst Mike did not want a funeral service, his family have agreed that he would love the idea of his 8 o'clock friends going out to eat together to celebrate his life and friendship. As such, we will be **going out for breakfast at Weatherspoons, immediately after the 8am service at St Mary's Ashford on 22<sup>nd</sup> February** and would love it if any of his SMK friends could join us. No need to book your place in advance.

## **ST MARY'S KENNINGTON PRESENTATION OF CHRIST 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026**



**Our mission is to proclaim the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the people of Kennington by word and action.**

**TODAY: 8am Holy Communion  
10am Holy Communion**

**COLLECT:** Almighty and every-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**READINGS:** Hebrews 2:14 – end and Luke 2:22 - 40

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:** Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life: for his is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

**For those experiencing health issues:** Fred, Sikan Horwood, Ron Shorter, Gabrielle Nuthall, Jean Chedghey, Dave and Ruth Moore, Josie Norris, Louise, Elizabeth, Mike Paddy, Daz and Liz Champ.

**For those living or working on the following streets:**  
Walnut Close; Warwick Road; Willesborough Road;  
Woodstock Road; York Road