

Services this coming week

Wednesday 13th May – 11.15am Service of the Word

Thursday 14th May – Ascension Day – 7 pm Holy Communion welcoming those from St Mary's Ashford Town Centre.

Sunday 17th May

- 8 am Holy Communion
- 10 am Holy Communion

MONDAY 11th May 2 PM Friends of St. Mary's Afternoon Tea and Chat at St. Mary's Community Centre, Rylands Road. All welcome.

SATURDAY 16th May SPRING FAIR in the church and grounds from 12 noon.

Do come along and support this new initiative: we have several of the **usual stalls** but also a very exciting **Health Foods** stall with lots of home-made products such as Muesli, Granola, Pesto, Hummus and Yoghurt as well as **Gluten Free products**. We also have a magnificent array of **plants for pots, baskets and borders**. There will be attractions **for children** including a **soft toy tombola and a dolls house auction**. Also **BBQ food, Tea and Coffee and a Raffle** - tickets are available from TODAY. We **still need lots of bottles** for the Tombola ahead of the event, and **home baked cakes** (with a list of ingredients) will be gratefully received on the Saturday morning – please let Maureen/Shirley know if they need collecting. Thank you for your support so far – and please pray for fine weather so that some stalls and activities can be outdoors.

FRIDAY 22nd MAY LINK LUNCH 12.30 for 1pm at SMCC: to book, call Pam on 01233 879716. All Welcome especially those who live alone or are isolated.

CHURCH CLEANING: Our church used to be cleaned regularly by volunteers, but the team has dwindled. If you would like to volunteer to be part of a small team, talk to Margaret Moir about what's involved and Shirley if you would like to volunteer.

FOODBANK – Please place any items for the foodbank in the box at the back of church. Please make sure items are in date and nonperishable.

THE ASHFORD ALMSHOUSE CHARITY (Registered Charity No: 209189)

Applications are invited for a one bedroom bungalow available for a person(s) in need and resident of Ashford. **Apply for details to:** Miss L Webb Clerk to the Trustees 115 Faversham Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent TN24 9DE email: lisawebb223@btinternet.com



ST MARY'S KENNINGTON
6th Sunday of EASTER
10th May 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.

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

COLLECT: God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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. **Amen**

READING: Acts 17:22-31 and John 14:15-21

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: God our Father; whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who 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 and Brian Drury.

For those living or working on the following streets:

Kennington Place; Kennington Road; Kings Meadow; Kingsley Gate