



St Mary of Charity Parish Church Faversham

APRIL NOTICE SHEET



April Services and Events:

Sunday, 1 April	9 am	Eucharist (CW) with hymns
Easter Day	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist with choir and music group <i>followed by</i>
	12 pm	The Great St Mary of Charity Easter Egg Hunt
Wednesday, 4 April	8.15 am	Deanery Chapter
	10.30 am	Eucharist
Thursday, 5 April		No Little Fishes: <i>Easter Holidays</i>
Friday, 6 April	10.30 am	Prayers in the Trinity Chapel
Saturday, 7 April	8 am	Early Morning Prayer
Sunday, 8 April	9 am	Eucharist
Second in Easter	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist (CW)
Tuesday, 10 April	7.30 pm	The Tuesday Group – Victor Frith: <i>Armenian History, Age UK Centre; all are welcome</i>
Wednesday, 11 April	8.15 am	Deanery Chapter
	10.30 am	Eucharist
Thursday, 12 April		No Little Fishes <i>Easter Holidays</i>
Friday, 13 April	10.30 am	Prayers in the Trinity Chapel
Saturday, 14 April	8 - 9 am	Early Morning Prayer
	10 – noon	Church Café
Sunday, 15 April	9 am	Matins
Third in Easter	10.30 am	Family Eucharist with Baptism
Wednesday, 18 April	8.15 am	Deanery Chapter
	10.30 am	Eucharist <i>followed by</i>
	12 noon	Parish Lunch

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Thursday, 19 April		Little Fishes <i>Easter Holidays;</i> <i>Little Fishes returns next week!</i>
Friday, 20 April	10.30 am	Prayers in the Trinity Chapel
Saturday, 21 April	8 am	Early Morning Prayer in the Trinity Chapel
	10-noon	Church Café
	10.30 am	Burial of Ashes
Sunday, 22 April Fourth in Easter	9 am	Eucharist
	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist
	3 pm	St George's Day Service
Tuesday, 24 April	7.30 pm	The Tuesday Group – Jude: Music Therapy and Dementia, <i>Age UK Centre; all are welcome</i>
Wednesday, 25 April	8.15 am	Deanery Chapter
	10.30 am	Eucharist
Thursday, 26 April	10-11.30 am	Little Fishes <i>We're back!</i>
Friday, 27 April	10.30 am	Prayers in the Trinity Chapel
Saturday, 28 April	8 - 9 am	Early Morning Prayer
	10 – noon	Church Café
Sunday, 29 April Fifth in Easter	10 am	Joint Benefice Service at St Mary of Charity <i>Please do join us.</i>
	1 pm	Baptism



**Annual Parochial Church
Meeting
St Mary of Charity School
Tuesday, 17 April 2018
7 pm for 7.30 pm**

We look forward to sharing together at our
APCM for drinks, nibbles and “Agenda”.

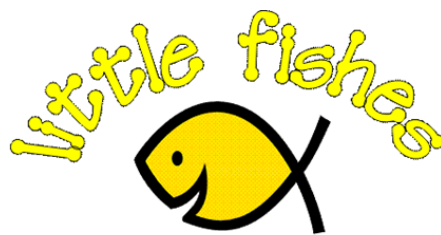
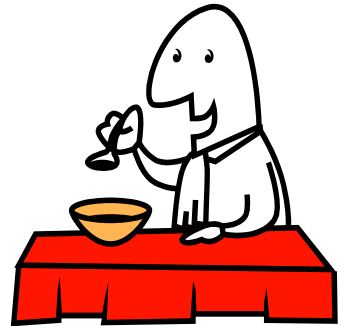
Please join us... St Mary of Charity is moving
forward as part of The Benefice of
Faversham.

Vicar and Church Wardens
Rev Simon, Alison and Miranda



The next Parish Lunch will be on the third Wednesday of
the month - **18 April!**

All are welcome to enjoy good, home-cooked food
and fellowship - the sign-up sheet will be at the
back of the church from the first Wednesday in
April!

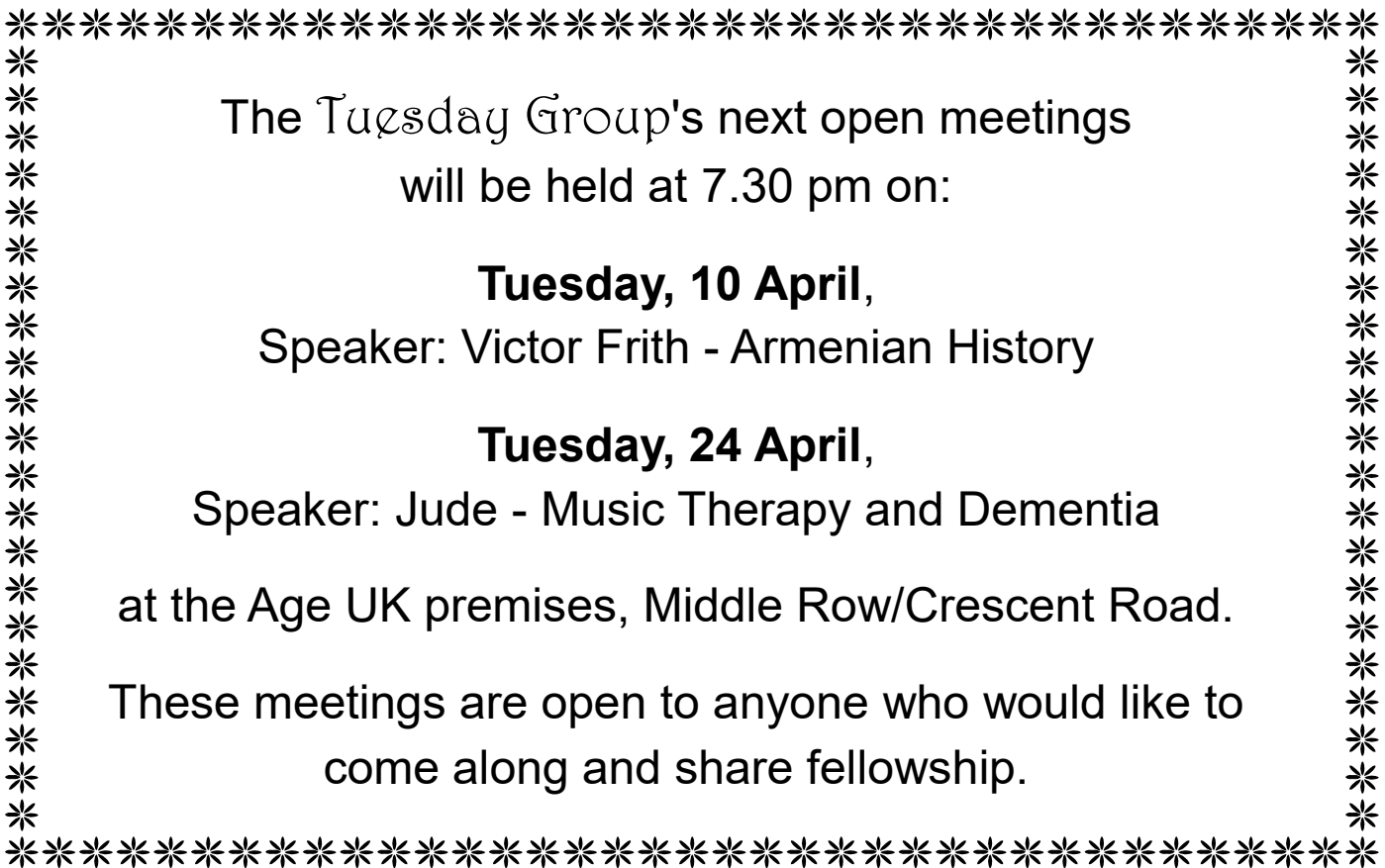


Starting again on 26 April and running every
Thursday morning from 10 am until 11.30 am, our
amazing pre-school group has resumed in the South
Transept for play, craft, snacks, stories, songs and
a prayer. However, this is where YOU come in.
Little Fishes is run by volunteers and we need to
ensure that we have enough helpers available for
each session.

Chatting with parents, carers, childminders and
the children is also part of the morning (but
obviously this isn't a chore - not that *any* of the
rest is!) All volunteers are DBS checked.

So, can you help us? Do you know someone who
could? Do you know someone with spare time on a
Thursday morning who can play a musical
instrument?

Please speak to Val Tyler or Dennis Parrett if you'd
like to know more...



The Tuesday Group's next open meetings
will be held at 7.30 pm on:

Tuesday, 10 April,
Speaker: Victor Frith - Armenian History

Tuesday, 24 April,
Speaker: Jude - Music Therapy and Dementia

at the Age UK premises, Middle Row/Crescent Road.

These meetings are open to anyone who would like to
come along and share fellowship.

Taizé Youth Pilgrimage

Young people aged between 17 and 29 are invited to join a pilgrimage to Taizé, France organised by young Christians from churches in Faversham. Saturday, 28 July – Monday, 30 July 2018. For more information speak to Andrew Tapsell: **andrew.tapsell89@gmail.com** or catch him at the end of a 10.30 am service.

St Mary of Charity's choir will be singing the Evensong service at Canterbury Cathedral on Tuesday, 3 April and Wednesday, 4 April at 5.30 pm.
Please come along to hear them sing at this very special service in the quire.

Do you struggle to get to St Mary of Charity's Sunday services - or do you know of someone who would like to come but has problems with transport?

Do you - or could you - drive to church and can you offer a lift? We have people who would like to come but are seeking people to bring them ...

Please put your* details on the list at the back of the church if you would like a lift - or if you are able to offer one. Or speak to Miranda or Catriona!

Thank you!

Please note that if you are giving people lifts in your car on behalf of the church, you may need to have this reflected in your car insurance. This is often a free option at the time of renewal.



**or the appropriate name and details ...*

Who's missing?

Have you noticed one of our church family who you normally see on Sundays is no longer attending church?

Is there someone you know who has had to stop coming to church because of ill health but would like to remain in contact?

We have a group of volunteers who can visit people in their homes to be a link to the church and provide spiritual support. Home Communion can also be given.

If there is someone you think would benefit from such a visit please contact the Pastoral Visitors' Co-ordinator Kevin Swinney (kevin.swinney@outlook.com) or a member of the Clergy team.

Thank you: **Val Tyler** and your team of volunteers who have decorated the church so beautifully for Easter and will keep it looking fresh and lovely until Advent begins.

If anyone is interested in trying their hand at flower arranging, please speak to Val who is always happy to encourage new arrangers!

If anyone has greenery in their garden which survived the Beast from the East and is happy to share - please speak to Val!



Catriona Walks All Over Cancer



Catriona Cuthbert

TOTAL RAISED

£365.00 +£73.75 Gift Aid

121% of £300.00 target



Catriona has walked all over cancer!

Thank you *everyone* who was kind and generous enough to sponsor me for the Cancer Research Walk All Over Cancer campaign during March. You'll see above the number of steps I achieved overall (and there's a graph at the bottom showing my individual days - slightly less impressive at the start). Just over 202 kilometres!

I had set myself a target of £300; and raised £365 online plus £265 with a traditional paper form and good, hard cash! *If anyone has sponsored me but not given yet, please find me at the end of the service!*

For the Benefice Service on Sunday, 29 April 2018, it has been agreed by Rev Simon Rowlands and all eight benefice wardens that there will be a cake stall after the service in aid of Holiday Club.

Donations of cakes and savouries are very welcome from all folk from all churches.

Non-bakers are more than welcome to bring their pocket money...

We look forward to seeing you after the 10 am service at St Mary of Charity!



Palm Sunday's post-service Holy Hedgehog sale raised £88 (plus some gift aid). Thank you to everyone who bought a knitted hedgehog - and thank you to Linda, the talented knitter who made them!

While the building works are being carried out in the North Transept the church will be open for a shorter period during weekdays:

Monday to Friday, 10 am to 3 pm.

The church will be open as usual at the weekend.

St Mary of Charity regular pattern of services						
First Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (CW with hymns)	10.30 am	All Age Worship <i>Family-friendly service</i>	6 pm	Choral Evensong
Second Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (BCP said)	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
Third Sunday	9 am	Matins	10.30 am	Family Eucharist <i>Family-friendly service</i>		
Fourth Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (BCP said)	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
Fifth Sunday (if applicable)	NO EARLY SERVICE AT ANY BENEFICE CHURCH		10 am	Benefice Eucharist CW <i>Please check for details on which church this will be held at</i>		

**Notices to Catriona by
Wednesday, 25 April latest!**

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