

**St Mary of Charity
Parish Church, Faversham
Fourth before Advent
30 October 2016**

For our prayers:

- the St Mary of Charity clergy team and lay ministry and all whose ministry is in Faversham;
- those who help with Mission within the Church;
- the people of Haiti and the Caribbean following Hurricane Matthew;
- the people of Marche and Umbria, Italy
- those who were in The Jungle and those who work with them;
- refugees throughout the world;
- those who work in disaster relief;
- those who work for the emergency services;
- those who are receiving medical treatment and those who care for them;
- the people of Madagascar, experiencing extreme drought;
- those experiencing financial hardship;
- the people of Syria, Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan; and
- all who live in fear of violence and aggression.

10.30 am Benefice Service at
St Catherine's, Preston-next-
Faversham (CW)

Readings:

**Ephesians 1:11-end
Luke 6:20-31**

COLLECT:

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ
our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed
saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible
joys
that you have prepared for those who
truly love you;
through Jesus Christ your
Son our Lord..
Amen

Next Sunday:

Third before Advent

All Saints

2 Thess 2:1-5, 13-17

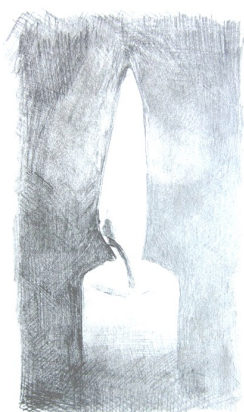
Luke 20:27-38



Contemplating Christmas!

Join us for an hour of reflection during Advent on the meaning of Christmas through the eyes of, Mary, the mother of Jesus.

From 7.30 pm on Mondays 28 November and 5, 12 and 19 December at St Mary of Charity, Faversham



Rev Sharran Ireland

Carols in the Marketplace 23 December 2016

Churches Together in Faversham is asking each church in Faversham to provide two marshals for this event, otherwise it might yet fall at the last hurdle!

If you are able to volunteer for this could you please let Jan Negus have your name and contact details ASAP (janet.negus@gmail.com).

Stewards will need to be available from 6.30 pm - 8.15 pm (latest!), singing starts at 7 pm.

FACE Market Stall

The day was a great success.

£250 RAISED INCLUDING DONATIONS

£12.50 TO CLAIM ON GIFT AID

6 NEW VOLUNTEERS

1 NEW CLIENT

LINK WITH THE PHYSIC GARDEN

LOTS OF MARKETING and NETWORKING

We are so grateful for the support we received from local businesses, the churches and the community.

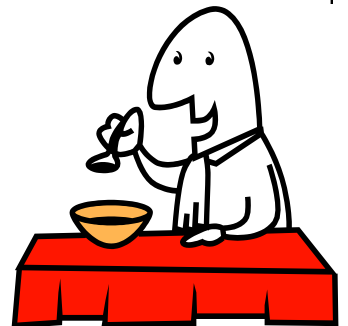
Please join us if you can for our AGM to be held at the Guildhall on November 3rd at 6.30 pm.

Thank you again

Miranda

The next Parish Lunch will be on the third Wednesday of the month - **16 November!**

All are welcome to enjoy good, home-cooked food and fellowship - the sign-up sheet is at the back of the church!



**The St Mary of Charity
All Saints Day Memorial Service
will take place at 3 pm on Sunday, 6
November.**

Friends and families of people whose funerals have been conducted by clergy connected to this parish have been invited to attend to commemorate the lives of their loved ones.

If you would like to have the name of a friend or family member read during the service please do add it to the list at the back of the church,
or speak to Catriona (or email her on admin@stmaryofcharity.org).

The service is open to *everyone* and *all* are welcome to attend.

* The Tuesday Group's next open meeting *
* will be held at 7.30 pm on 8 November, at the *
* Age UK premises, with Peter Kennet *
* showing slides of Old Faversham. *
* This meeting is open to anyone who would like *
* to come along and share fellowship *and* (see *
* *and*) hear an interesting talk on a fascinating *
* subject. *

Christmas Fair @ St Mary of Charity

10 am – 1 pm, 10 December 2016

in the church

We are looking for the following:

- * **Bottles for a bottle stall;**
- * **toiletries;**
- * **cakes;**
- * **pickles and jams;**
- * **homemade sweets;**
- * **homemade craft;**
- * **jewellery;**
- * **Christmas gifts; and**
- * **good quality raffle prizes with a Christmas theme.**



There will be a box in the back of church for donations.

****We will also need volunteers to help run stalls,
there will be a sign up list in church****

**In addition to church stalls, if you would like to have
your own stall, these will be available for a £20
donation to the church.**

All proceeds will be given to the sound system fund.

**If you can help or are interested in a stall on the
day, please contact Gail on
01795 532592 or
gail@rowlandsfamily.co.uk**



'Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth' Psalm 86.11

Whether you have been a Christian for five minutes or fifty years 'Pilgrim' will have something for you.

'Pilgrim' is designed to help you discover the Christian way of life. It unpacks the basic message and teaching of the Christian faith and also shows you how to pray and how to live like Jesus. It does this in a way that is reflective and conversational. No one will force the pace. But 'Pilgrim' will change the perspective of your life; it might also change its direction.

Following our churches positive response to 'Deepening Discipleship' we are pleased to be offering 'Pilgrim' which comprises eight short courses, each with a booklet covering six sessions.

Materials are designed to be flexible, adaptable and are offered in two stages: 'Follow' and 'Grow'.

'Follow' introduces the Christian faith, while 'Grow' aims to develop a deeper level of discipleship.

'Follow' is structured around the four key texts:

- Baptism
- the Lord's Prayer
- the Commandments
- the Beatitudes.

'Grow' is structured around major themes in Christian life:

- the Creeds
- the Sacraments
- the Scriptures
- living in God's Church and world.

Please sign up on the 'Pilgrim' notice board at the back of church or contact Marianne - mariannehambrook@aol.com or 01795 535696

Initial groups will run as follows but will allow for flexibility:

Group 1 starting Wednesday, 2 November, fortnightly, 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm.
Venue: 19 Nobel Court, Faversham

Group 2 starting Thursday, 27 October, weekly, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm.
Venue: St Mary of Charity, Faversham (*some spaces still available*)

Group 3 starting Monday, 7 November, fortnightly, 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm.
Venue: 16 Newton Road, Faversham.

Further information can be found at www.pilgrimcourse.org

We look forward to travelling with you.

Marianne Hambrook

Peter Howard's wonderful Christmas trees will be available for selection from SATURDAY, 5 NOVEMBER.

Please contact Peter to let him know when you'd like to visit and see poster (by the north door) for details (including charities helped)!

This is a great chance for you to raise funds for your parish church, and some deserving charities at the same time.

Alison and Peter Howard, Nash's Farmhouse, Luddenham, Faversham, Kent ME13 0TQ.

Tel 01795 532596

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Notices to Catriona by noon Wednesday, latest!

admin@stmaryofcharity.org

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The Coming Week at St Mary of Charity, Faversham

Monday, 31 October 2016

10-10.45 am Mustard Seed Music *Please note change of day!*

Wednesday, 2 November 2016

8.15 am Deanery Chapter

10.30 am Eucharist (BCP)

Thursday, 3 November 2016

10-11.30 am **Little Fishes** - Firework pictures

Friday, 4 November 2016

10.30 am Prayer in the Trinity Chapel

Saturday, 5 November 2016

8-9 am Early Morning Prayers in the Trinity Chapel *(followed by coffee)*

Sunday, 6 November 2016, Fourth before Advent

9 am Eucharist (CW) with hymns

10.30 am Morning Praise

3 pm Memorial Service - all are welcome

6 pm Evensong



The St Mary of Charity monthly pattern of services:

First Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (CW with hymns)	10.30 am	Morning Praise <i>Family-friendly</i>	6 pm	Choral Evensong
Second Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (BCP said)	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist CW		
Third Sunday	9 am	Matins	10.30 am	Family Eucharist CW <i>Family-friendly service</i>		
Fourth Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (BCP said)	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist CW		
Fifth Sunday (if applicable)	9 am	Eucharist (BCP said)	10.30 am	Benefice Eucharist CW <i>Please check for details on which church this will be held at</i>		