



✝ **Sun 13th May** Cake Sale in aid of St Catherine's Hospice after the 10:30am service.

✝ **Wed 16th May:**

✝ 9:45am Book of Common *Acts 20.28-end*

✝ 12.30-2.30pm Mini-Marks in church

✝ 7pm Ladies Pamper Evening

✝ **Sun 20th 3:00pm** Tea at Three in church

✝ **May 8:00pm** Momentum in church

✝ **Mon 21st May 8:00pm** Momentum in church

✝ **Sat 26th May** St Mark's Community Fun Day - details to follow.

✝ **Thurs 7th June 7:30pm** Deanery Confirmation Service in church.

✝ **Fri 8th June 7:00pm - 10:00pm** Big Quiz Fundraiser - Holbrook Club



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Newsletter

**St Mark's Church Holbrook
North Heath Lane, Horsham**

13th May 2018

Easter 7

✝ **8:30am** Holy Communion *Eph 5.22-6.9 John 6.56-59*

✝ **10:30am** Morning Worship *Eph 5.22-6.9*



Prayer for Streets

Each week St Mark's are delivering letters to a few streets in the local area asking if anyone has a prayer request.

This week we are praying for: Bakehouse Barn Close, Bloor Close, Durfold Road, Haybarn Drive, Northlands Road, Park Farm Road, Park Farm Close, Quarterbrass Farm Road and The Castle.





Tea at Three

Tea at Three dates for Sundays in the coming months are:



- 20th May
- 17th June
- 15th July
- 19th August



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St Mark's Community Fun Day Saturday 26th May



The Fun Day is fast approaching, so it's time for another sign up sheet! We need **LOTS** of help please with baking, manning craft and activity tables, helping with refreshments, manning bouncy castles, set up and clear up and a general church presence. So, have a think about what you can do and please add your name to our list.

Set up will start around 9:30am; the event finishes at 4pm sharp and we need to get everything cleared away and the church ready for the next morning's services.

The invitation cards have been printed and we will have these ready for delivering to the homes in our parish from Sunday 6th May, so if you can help with that as well it would be brilliant.

Any home baked cakes will need to have a list of the ingredients and these labels will be available for you to have from 6th May too. Just fill them in and leave them with your goodies when you drop them off. **Could we please ask that you avoid using nuts or fresh cream/cream cheese.**

This is such an important event in the life of our church, and there are plenty of invitation cards so why not invite your family and friends too!

In previous years we have seen a considerable number of people come along, so please be in prayer that this will be the case again.

Thank you in advance - any questions please speak to the church office:
office@stmarksholbrook.org.uk Tel: 01403 261380.



Don't Lose Touch! Due to changes in UK Law, here at St Mark's we need to review how we contact our church members to allow us to proclaim God's love and ensure we can continue to support our community.

We will be distributing consent forms to everyone over the next few weeks.

Would everyone please ensure they complete a form each, tick the relevant boxes and sign and return it before 25th May. After that date we will not be able to contact you so don't put it off too long! The signed forms can be placed in the **"GDPR Consent Forms"** box in church or dropped into the office.

If you will not be in church over the coming weeks, please contact the office at office@stmarksholbrook.org.uk and we can email the form which can then be posted back.

Message from Peter Hillman Audit of Church Keys

Would all of those holding church hall keys ask themselves if they really need one and if you decide that you do not, could you please return it to me.

I am also undertaking an audit of who holds keys to the church itself and the cupboard in the porch where the alarm is situated. It seems that a list of church key holders has never been held and it would be useful for the office to have a record of who has a set.

If you hold any keys, could you please contact me personally or by email at phillman1@sky.com to advise me.

Many thanks.

Peter Hillman



**Invitation to Fairtrade West Sussex
Annual General Meeting 7:00pm Thursday 17th May,
Edes House, Westgate, Chichester PO19 1RW
- car parking available**



West Sussex is a Fairtrade County. Come and celebrate with us and hear about what is happening in our County at our AGM. Speakers are John Figgins, WSCC Catering Services Manager and Amy Sim, Enterprises, Chichester Cathedral.

If you would like to attend or for further information contact Susan Joy, Convenor, Fairtrade West Sussex - Tel: 01342 835190 or email SusanJoy471@hotmail.com



**Quiet Day Saturday 2nd June 10:00am - 3:00pm
St Mary's Church, Slaugham RH17 6AG**

Leader: Bob Key, recently Dean of Jersey, now part of the Archbishop's Evangelism Task Group

Theme: "Peter in John's Gospel - Peter the pebble from bravado to reliance"

Cost: £20 includes buffet lunch - please pay on the day.

Please note that numbers are limited. People can book online at chichesterdef.org.uk/events/quietday2018 or by contacting Hugh Lowries on 01323 488527



To all supporters of Horsham Refugee Support Group

Things have been fairly quiet for us as a group for the last few months, which is why you haven't received a newsletter from us for a while. The families living in the area are settling well and we still provide them befriending and ESOL support, but there have not been any additional refugees in our area for some time.

However... we have recently been asked by the council to take on a decorating project and are in need of volunteers.

If you are interested and available, please email Polly and David, our co-ordinators at practicalsupport@horshamrefugeesupportgroup.co.uk

Please include:

- Your name and a telephone number to contact you.
- Details of your experience/skills.
- A brief summary of your availability over the next 4 weeks.

Our team will get back to you regarding your application as soon as we can.

Please share this with your organisations/networks to help us reach interested volunteers in the community.

Many thanks. Joanna Eames, Horsham Refugee Support Group.

Ladies Pamper Evening: Weds 16th May from 7:00pm in church



Come along and spoil yourself for an evening! We will have make up tutorials, face mapping and sculpting, hand massage, mini manicures on offer. If there are any ladies who have skills to do manicures or beauty treatments who are available to help out, please let Emma know.

This will be a chance to unwind and have fun! Do add your name to the sign up sheet in church, and why not invite a friend too? Any questions please speak to Emma O'Neill emmarentia.oneill@gmail.com



BIG QUIZ Fundraiser and auction for the 'banking the balcony' project - Friday 8th June 7:00pm - 10:00pm at The Holbrook Club

£10 per person (including fish and chips) for teams of 4. Each team will be invited to gain sponsorship for taking part and nearer the time we will be asking for auction items.

Please consider bringing a team from your business or community group to take part - we are inviting the church to put in 20 teams on a first come, first served basis. We are also inviting the community to put teams into the quiz. You may wish to sponsor a team even if you are not taking part yourself.

There are flyers in church. Alternatively, click links to [flyer](#) and entry form Team Registration Form, email balcony@stmarksholbrook.org.uk or phone St Mark's Church Office on 01403 261380.



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St Mark's Pastoral Visiting Team

Are you unwell, lonely, bereaved or just finding life a bit too much to handle? The Pastoral Team at St Mark's are always ready to listen and are able to provide:

- **someone to listen - compassionate and friendly without interfering**
- **1:1 help - someone to be there just for you**
- **non-judgemental, confidential support**
- **befriending for people of all ages, any faith or none**

If you are in need of support in any way, please contact:
Rev Richard Coldicott 01403 260435 vicar@stmarksholbrook.org.uk
or St Mark's Church office 01403 261380 office@stmarksholbrook.org.uk

Home Groups

St Mark's has 11 Home groups (including one ladies group) within St Mark's. These meet mostly fortnightly on Monday to Thursday evenings and Thursday daytime.



The groups are for bible study, prayer and fellowship.



If you are not already part of one of the groups and are interested in joining one, please see Martin Hennock, Richard or Mike and they will direct you to a group.

Home Group Update

We are considering the demand for a new daytime Home Group for mothers/parents with small children. If you would be interested in attending this, please contact Martin Hennock, Richard or Mike.

Also, if anyone would be prepared to volunteer to provide a crèche service during this home group, please also contact us.

Prayer for Exam Students Many young people within the church family are in the exam season. There is a list of names of exam students available if you wish to take one to enable you to support them in prayer over the coming weeks. This would mean a lot to them so thank you in advance.

Jo Allen

