

THE PARISHES OF FAWKHAM AND HARTLEY AND LONGFIELD



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PARISH NOTES AND NOTICES 5th April 2020



From the Rectory...

Dear All,

It seems as though this way of life has been with us for much longer than just nearly two weeks. Many of us will have settled into a new routine and be living a very different rhythm of life than we were a few weeks ago. In these days the scaffold which surrounds my day is prayer, and I am thankful for the time and space in each day for this. Another joy is being able to be outside for a walk or a run, often accompanied with my phone so that I can take photos. For me this is the exercise and space I need in-between all the time I am spending in my study. I hope you all received the e-card we sent which is copied on these notes. Please do not hesitate to contact us on the phone number supplied if you need anything. Also the eagle eyed amongst you will have noticed these notices are for Fawkham and Hartley and Longfield parishes combined for the first time! I hope you will find the resources included within helpful.

Every blessing, Adele

CHURCH CENTRE AND ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, HARTLEY, ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAWKHAM AND ST. MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH AND JUBILEE HALL, LONGFIELD

All church buildings are closed for the foreseeable future. The Church of England has made the decision not to have any buildings open at this time, even for private prayer.

PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

All powerful Lord,
sometimes we get lost and lose sight of you,
we lose track of what's important.
Help us not to be lost,
help us to seek you and your glory
with all our hearts.
Give us an eternal perspective
and stay committed to serving you.
Amen.

A PRAYER FOR ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY CORONAVIRUS

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

BIBLE VERSES FOR THE WEEK

When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me, says the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

Jeremiah 29:13-14

DISTRIBUTION OF PALM CROSSES

Palm Crosses will be placed in small buckets outside each church building—do pick one up when you are walking around the parishes.

Sunday Bible Readings for today

Isaiah 50:4.9a
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 26:14-end of 27

Weekday Readings

Mon	Isaiah 42.1-9	John 12.1-11
Tues	Isaiah 49.1-7	John 12.20-36
Wed	Isaiah 50.4-9a	John 13.21-32
Thurs	Maunder Thursday Exodus 12.1-4 [5-10] 11-14	John 13.1-17, 31b-35
Fri	Good Friday Isaiah 52.13—53.end	John 18.1—19.end
Sat	Easter Eve Job 14.1-14 1 Peter 4.1-8	John 19.38-end



If you are self-isolating,
and could do with a bit of help;

- picking up shopping
- posting mail
- urgent supplies
- or just need a friendly phone call

Give us a call on 01474 630455, leave us a message and we will call you back.

PRAYER & WORSHIP RESOURCES

The Church of England has various links to the services we use each week. If you 'Google'; 'Church of England service of daily prayer' then follow the link to the Church of England website you find links to the prayers for the day.

If you would like to listen to a said /sung version of these services, then Google "soundcloud user 600495787" then click on the link that says "Common Worship Day & Night Prayer - Soundcloud" this will then take you to a webpage where you can click and listen to various services.

Every Sunday at 8.10am there will be a broadcast of a special service series. This will be carried by BBC Radio Kent and BBC Radio 4. It will be an opportunity to join in national worship from your own home.

BBC Radio 4 is available on 93.50FM, or on DAB Radio listed as "BBC Radio 4", "BBC R4", or "Radio 4"

BBC Radio Kent is available on 96.7 FM, 774 AM or on DAB Radio. "Kent"

Church of England apps

<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps>

- Time to pray
- Daily Prayer
- Live Lent: Care for God's Creation
- Pray as you go
- Mental health

Northumbria Community

<https://www.northumbriacommunity.org/>

Palm Sunday and Holy Week

Rochester Cathedral will be providing on-line services and resources for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter. For further information look at [Rochestercathedral.org/worship-online](http://rochestercathedral.org/worship-online) <<http://rochestercathedral.org/worship-online>>. Resources will include service sheets for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. It is anticipated that Bishop James will stream a service on Maundy Thursday.

RNWK Group

Bible study on Monday 6th April at 7.30pm. We will be looking at Psalm 127.

On Maundy Thursday we will be joining together via teams for an agape meal and a time of worship and prayer. This will start at 7pm and finish at 9pm. If you would like to join in with some or all of the evening. please contact Paul Thomas who will send an order of service to you and give you the details in order to join in.

Please contact Paul Thomas on (07764 359738 or paulnthomas@outlook.com) if you would like to join in with either of the above.



LOOKING FORWARD

All events and activities have been cancelled and there will be no Parish News magazine for Longfield for the foreseeable future.

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

The Things He Carried by Stephen Cottrell

Simply Jesus by Tom Wright

The Return of the Prodigal Son by Henri Nouwen

For the period after Easter the Church of England is recommending

Pilgrim Journeys—40 days of reflection on The Lord's Prayer, by Steven Croft.

We have copies of this and if you would like us to send you one please will you contact Marion Strachan.

E-mail: parishoffice@fawkhamandhartley.org.uk or
Telephone: 01732 851714.

Stay at home to stop coronavirus spreading

Everyone must stay at home to help stop the spread of coronavirus.

You should only leave the house for 1 of 4 reasons:

- shopping for basic necessities, for example food and medicine, which must be as infrequent as possible
- one form of exercise a day, for example a run, walk, or cycle – alone or with members of your household
- any medical need, or to provide care or to help a vulnerable person
- travelling to and from work, but only where this absolutely cannot be done from home

Your Borough Councils are co-ordinating help Longfield contact **Dartford Borough Council** <https://www.dartford.gov.uk> or telephone 01322 343434 should you need assistance

Fawkham and Hartley contact **Sevenoaks District Council** visit https://www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/info/20026/your_community/ or telephone 01732 227000 should you need assistance

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