

Thursday Group meeting: 5 June 7.45 for 8pm in the church hall

The meeting will take the form of a fundraising talk in support of Keech Cottage Hospice. All are welcome. Visitors £3 (includes refreshments). For more information contact Val Conetta.

New Internationalist - June edition now available to borrow from the mission table in church.

Please send notices for inclusion in this weekly sheet by 7pm Wed to deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk or ring Deirdre on 456184

St Mark's extends a warm welcome to newcomers.
If you are new here, please complete and detach this slip and give it to a warden or a sidesperson.

Name

Address

Tel.No.

Email address (if applicable)
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How to contact us

While a few telephone numbers of church members may be included in this web version of the notice sheet, most contact details for events are published only in the hard copy, available in church. If you have no access to this, please contact Deirdre Parr on 01462 456184 or e-mail deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk

St Mark's Church



A member of Churches Together in Hitchin

1st June 2014

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Readings for today

Acts 1:6-14

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

John 17:1-11

Services and events today

8.00am	Holy Communion (p29 in folder)
10.00am	Holy Communion (p15 in folder)
7.30pm	Sunday Social (venue to be confirmed)

For prayer:

As schools begin a new half-term, we particularly remember the students who are taking exams in these coming weeks. We pray for them, especially those who are anxious, and for all who support them in this testing time.

PLEASE TAKE THESE NOTICES HOME WITH YOU

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website: www.stmarks-hitchin.org.uk



Hymns for 10.00am on 18 May

87 AMNS	Hail the day that sees him rise
144 AMNS	Come, let us join our cheerful songs
262 AMNS	Alleluia, sing to Jesus
1 SF	Be still, for the presence of the Lord
3 SF	Rejoice! Rejoice! Christ is in you

Diary for the week

Tues 3 June	7.30pm	Confirmation Group meets
Wed 4 June	9.15am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer Choir practice
Thur 5 June	10.00am 7.45pm	Communion Service at Westmill Lawns Thursday Group meets in the hall
Fri 6 June	9.30am	Little Lions
Sat 7 June	2.00pm	Wedding Rehearsal

Next Sunday, 8 June – Pentecost

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion
12 noon-4pm	CTH Party in the Square
1.00pm	Baptism Service

Notices

Bible readings in church

Beginning today, we will have three Bible readings in our service - the first will be mainly from the Old Testament (though today and next week, as we approach Pentecost, it is from Acts), the second an Epistle and the third from the Gospels. This change is in response to those of you who have queried why we print three readings and only use two and why we rarely use the Old Testament. It is also for the very happy reason that we have a good number of people who want to read the lesson in church. We are grateful to all who read and we hope that this new range of lessons will enrich our worship.

Memorial Service of Thanksgiving

This year's Memorial Service of Thanksgiving will be held on **Sunday, 6 July at 6.30pm**. The service will be preceded by tea in the church hall from 5.30pm. All are welcome. During the service, the names of those to be remembered will be read out. If you would like a name or names to be read out, please contact Mike Davies (01462 434202).

Summer Fayre Saturday, 19 July 10am-3pm in the Market Place

We are beginning to gear up for our Summer Fayre on 19 July. The stalls being run are: cakes; books and plants; chocolate and cuddly toy tombola; bottle and general tombola; good quality bric-a-brac; toys and children's books. A box is now available at the back of church for contributions towards these stalls - no cakes or plants at this stage, please! While a number of the stalls are being run by groups, several are being run by individuals who would love some extra pairs of hands on the day. Therefore, there is also a signing-up list at the back of church for anyone able to offer an hour on 19 July to help with a stall. Thank you in advance for your contributions and your help.

CTH Party in the Market Place: NEXT SUNDAY, 8 June, noon-4.00pm

We are joining the other churches in Hitchin for a big Pentecost celebration party in the Old Market Place on 8 June. Each church will run a stall and we are suggesting that we run a biscuit-decorating activity. As it will be Pentecost, we thought it would be fun to have flame shaped biscuits to decorate! Therefore, we are looking for some volunteer bakers to make some flame-shaped biscuits and also some people to be on our stall for an hour on 8 June to be a welcoming face of St Mark's and to help people decorate the biscuits. Offers for either of these things would be gratefully received. Please sign the sheet at the back of church to indicate how you'd like to get involved.