ST MATTHEW'S BRIDGEMARY

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Sunday 19 February 2012

The Sunday Next before Lent

8.30am Holy Communion BCP – *Quinquagesima*

10:00am Parish Eucharist

Thanksgiving for our freedom to pray together

Monday	**20 February**
Pray for all returning to school after the half term break	
Tuesday	**21 February**
9.15am	**Holy Communion –** *followed by coffee*
2.00pm	Leg Clinic
Pray for the medical centre in our parish, the staff and patients	
Wednesday	**22 February**
ASH WEDNESDAY	
10.00am	Art Group
7.00pm	**Holy Communion with Ashing**
Pray that we have a Holy Lent	
Thursday	**23 February**
Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, Martyr, c 155	
Pray for elderly and infirm of our parish	
Friday	**24 February**
7.00pm	**Stations of the Cross**
Pray for ecumenical relations with other churches in the parish	
Saturday	**25 February**
9:30-10:30am	Church Office Open
12noon	***Lent Lunch***
7pm	***QUIZ NIGHT with Bring 'n' Share Supper***
Give thanks for fun and laughter and being with friends	

Monday – Saturday: Morning Prayer 8.30am

Collect – 8.30am – *Quinquagesima* – O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee: Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Collect – 10am – Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Mission for Ministry Prayer

Lord God, whose purpose is to make all things new in Jesus, help us by your Holy Spirit to use the gifts you give us to share your love, today and every day. Amen.

WINE DONATED THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF BABY HARRY AND JOHN HAYLES

Chairman: Fareham & District Branch of Parkinson's UK

We are looking for a dynamic, committed person with excellent leadership, communication, interpersonal skills and empathy for those who have a progressive neurological condition and for their carers. Our current Chairman is standing down this month. If you think you have the time to spare for this valuable position, please contact Pippa Dice on 07816 127 226 or pippa.dice@virgin.net

NOTICES

Today we welcome Fr Brian Williams, Deanery Priest, celebrant and preacher at both of our services.

Do please stay and join us after the 10am service for refreshments.

LENT Starts this week

Wednesday 7pm- Holy Communion with Ashing

Friday 7pm - Stations of the Cross

Lent Lunch – Saturday 25th February 12noon. – Donations of £3 *[or more if you wish]* for The Bishop's Lent Appeal

Lent Groups start next week – please see poster in the foyer, so you can decide which group you want to attend. **There are 2 groups here, Wednesday 2.30pm led by Petica and Wednesday 7pm led by Corinne**

At our AGM in April Pat Goater is standing down from church warden, it is important that we have another church warden. Please talk to Pat Goater or Jeal Curtis about this if it is something you think you would be interested in doing or maybe able to suggest someone.

The Leg Clinic meets weekly on a Tuesday afternoon in our back rooms, after receiving treatment, all who attend usually have a cup of tea, cake and a chat until the transport can take them home. Unfortunately the Tea person can no longer attend. **CAN YOU help**, to be on a rota to help provide this vital service. Please see Pat Goater for further details.

Disabled Looe in the back rooms – if you would like to donate towards this installation – please see Pat Goater; don't forget to gift it if you are able. Many thanks.

Duty Rotas for March/April are now available from the table in the foyer.

If you would like to donate the wine one Sunday, please see Corinne with dates and details etc.

QUIZ NIGHT with BRING & SHARE SUPPER – NEXT Saturday 25th February 7pm – **TICKETS now available from Pat Goater - £3**

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Attendance last week: 8.30am 7 **10am** 22

Giving last week: **Plate:**£55.65 **Planned giving envelopes:** £267.50

Please pray for those in trouble, sorrow, sickness or any kind of need: Vee Young; Vonda & Britany Adgate; Janine Irwin; Barbara Hall; Maisie Gulvin; Addie Miller; Carole Baker; Dennis Wheeler; Baby Eleanor; Ethel Boorman; Julie Todd; George.

We for those who have died and those whose year's mind falls around this time:

20th Annie Franks; **22nd** Bill Lovall**; 23rd** Bob Wilcocks;

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Next Sunday: 26 February 2012 – First Sunday of Lent

8:30am Holy Communion BCP 1662

10:00am Parish Eucharist

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