

BUCKLAND ST. MARY CHURCH NEWS

March 2016

“Adam named his wife Eve because she would become the mother of all the living”
Genesis 3v20

Mothering Sunday Service – a special service for Mums will be held at St Mary the Virgin Church at Buckland St Mary at 9.15am followed by refreshments.

Community Coffee Morning for March is on Saturday the 12th March from 10.30 till 12.00 and is in aid of Friends of Buckland School (FOBS). Please come and meet your friends and neighbours and enjoy a coffee/tea whilst supporting FOBS.

The Community Fairtrade Coffee Morning on 13th February raised almost a £100. Many thanks to Kay Wyatt, Emma Lupton and Vicki Bell for running this event.

If you would be willing to run a coffee morning for a chosen charity or good cause please contact Margery Harkness on 01460 234599 who takes the bookings for these events and can advise which months are still free.

Services for Holy Week – please see church service page for full details of services in the CBO News area but some highlights listed below:

On **Maundy Thursday, 24th March** at 2pm, Buckland St Mary School will be holding their **School Easter Service** at Buckland St Mary Parish Church, starting at 2pm. All welcome.

Walk on Good Friday from Otterford to Birchwood **followed by a service at Birchwood Church at 2pm**. Seasonal refreshments will be provided at 1pm at Otterford Church before the walk to Birchwood.

Other Holy Week services include
Monday **21st March at 9.45am at Corfe**; Tuesday **22nd March at 7pm at Otterford**; Wednesday **23rd March at 9.45am at Birchwood Church**;
Maundy Thursday **24th March at 7pm at Churchstanton** and
Saturday **26th March at 7pm at Pitminster (with a bonfire!)**.

Easter Sunday Services - 27th March 2016

At **Otterford Church at 6.45am** ‘Sunrise’ Holy Communion service; at **Churchstanton Church at 8am**; at **Buckland St Mary Parish Church at 9.15am** and also at **Corfe Church and at Pitminster Church at 10.45am**.

South window repairs at Buckland St Mary Parish Church - the first stage of these repairs – removal of secondary glazing and rusting grills and removal of dirt and other matter - has been completed. The 2nd stage will be carried out alongside the tower repairs which should be starting in the near future.

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Saturday 19th March, Easter Bingo at Buckland St Mary Village Hall for FOBS/Pre-School funds - see main advert for details.

Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting for Buckland St Mary – will be held on the 14th April 2016 at 7,30pm in Buckland St Mary Village Hall. All welcome. Refreshments provided.

Saturday 21st May 2016 School May Fair at Buckland St Mary School.

Sunday 29th May 2016 at 2.30pm - Craft Ladies’ Cream Tea at the home of Mr and Mrs Ducker at 2 Cross Hill Farm, Buckland St Mary. The event is to raise funds for Fiveways School, for children with special needs. There will be cake, plant and craft stalls etc. **If you wish to donate goods to sell** please contact either Sheila Ducker 01460 234105; Margery Harkness 01460 234599 or Ann Kennard 01460 391135.

Saturday 2nd July 2016 Church Fete at Buckland St Mary House by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Norton. Further details to follow.

100+ Club Draws – renewals for 2016 have been distributed but if you are not a member but are interested in joining please contact Kay Wyatt, Treasurer, 01460 234475 or email kay@kenandkay.plus.com for details.

Vicki Bell and Lynda Creek, Churchwardens