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ST SAVIOUR WESTGATE ON SEA**

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PIMMS and PUDDING EVENING

IN THE VICARAGE GARDEN

AT 6PM



SATURDAY 9th JULY

PROCEEDS TOWARDS

AWAY FROM IT ALL,

A HOLIDAY SCHEME FOR THOSE

EXPERIENCING STRESS OR

DIFFICULTIES IN THEIR FAMILY LIFE

Dear friends,

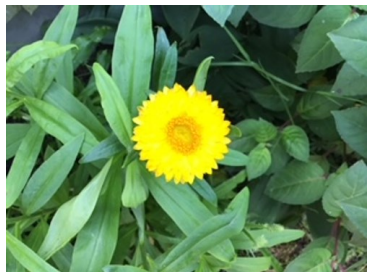
Of all the apostles, Thomas is a favourite of most Christians because of his unfortunate nick-name- Doubting Thomas! Thomas' Feast Day arrives early in July and this year falls on a Sunday! How wonderful- all our doubts and fears can come out into the open and be aired- what a gift, in these uncertain times! But, if we look more carefully we may recognise that it's not really Thomas' doubts we celebrate but his courage and honesty in sharing them. The other ten disciples were all still doubting and fearful but because Thomas said, "I won't believe till I see with my own eyes" Jesus said to them all, "You have believed because you have seen me – happy are those who have not seen me and yet believe." That's us, folks- and it's all because of Thomas that Jesus said these words which have encouraged Christians for two thousand years- and will continue to encourage Christians till the end of time!

So- our questions aren't a problem for God but our unbelief is- and as we see in this short scene, God will always help us through our unbelief. On another occasion, when Jesus said to his friends that he was the Way, the Truth and the Life Thomas spoke up and said, "We don't know where you're going so how can we know the way?" Jesus gave Thomas the amazing answer that he goes to prepare a place for us in heaven – in one of the "many rooms in my Father's house": and these words continue to bring untold peace and comfort to anyone who is frightened of the separation of death.

So let's take a leaf out of St Thomas' book this year and pray for the grace and courage to ask our questions in the assurance that God will always provide answers when we ask in faith: as well as for humility like Thomas' to recognise and accept God's answers when and however they may come.

My brothers, my sisters, may God bless you,

Mother Karen



The Diocese of Canterbury have made the following request...

A push for pushchairs

Refugees and asylum seekers arrive in the UK in just the clothes they stand up in and need support for their babies and children.

The cost of pushchairs is just unbearable for refugee parents and yet so many unwanted prams, in good condition, end up in landfill – or stuck in the loft.

Not having access to a suitable pushchair means many refugee parents are unable to get outside and access much-needed fresh air and headspace. This can affect their mental health and wellbeing and hinders accessing services and other activities to help community connections such as our weekly drop ins.

If you have a pushchair to donate, please contact Domenica, your diocesan refugee officer by email dpecoraro@diocant.org or call her on 07801 898215 and she will arrange for collection or drop off.

Thank you!

Songs of Praise

Location - Garlinge Methodist Church

Date - 9 July 2022

Time - 4 p.m.



This is advanced notice of a not to be missed Christians Together event. The service will last for an hour followed by tea. If you have a favourite hymn, why not let me know by 19 June and I will put it forward to those co ordinating the event. There may be too many choices but every effort will be made to sing all. My email is: susanwing14@gmail.com or I am next in church on

12th June. If you would like to come but are not sure of how you could get there, speak with me and I will see if I can arrange a lift. Let's make this a joyous event. A more formal notice will follow. Susan

St Saviour's Church

Heating Appeal

The earliest form of heating in this church was through coal fires and coal fired boiler. This was replaced with a gas fired heating boiler, being a much cleaner and efficient form of heating.

Following, the failure of the gas boiler after 30 years service, it is again time to consider replacing the means of heating with a cleaner and more environmentally friendly method.

Over the past two years we have been researching the best alternative form of heating leading us towards being carbon neutral. We have selected infrared heating panels, which including the cost of installation is approximately £80,000.

We need your help to raise the money to enable us to take this forward.

This is an appeal for donations, to keep St Saviour's Church as a jewel in the centre of the Westgate-on-Sea Community. **PLEASE HELP.**

Cheques can be made payable to St Saviour's PCC Westgate-on-Sea and posted to; The Vicarage, Thanet Road, Westgate-on-Sea CT8 8PB. If you wish to make a payment by online banking, please contact office@stsaviourswestgate.org.uk for details.

*Thank
you*



St Saviour's Church

New heating system

St Saviour's Church

Heating Appeal

The current form of heating in the church was brought into use and cost £100,000. This was replaced with a gas fired heating boiler and being much more efficient than the old system.

Following the failure of the gas boiler after 30 years service, it is again time to consider replacing the means of heating with a cleaner and more environmentally friendly method.

Over the past two years we have been researching the best alternative form of heating heating to provide long term service. We have selected infrared heating panels, which including the cost of installation is approximately £80,000.

We need your help to make the money to enable us to take this forward.

This is an appeal for donations, to help St Saviour's Church to proceed with the project of the design and installation of infrared heating panels.

Donations can be made payable to St Saviour's PCC, Wigan on line and credited to the Heating Appeal Fund. Receipts are due £10.00. If you wish to make a payment by other means, please contact the church office for more details.

Thank you



£80,000 TARGET

£70,000

£60,000

£50,000

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Glance back over June

June has been a month of steadily opening and continuing to share our church life on Sundays and during the week. The month began with a joyful celebration of Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and has continued in a spirit of optimism as we look to the future. Our community projects; the Heritage Centre drop-ins, Monday Toddlers and Friendly Friday and Looking Ahead's Gardening Group are all settling into a regular rhythm and it is especially good to be able to spend time enjoying and working in the garden together.

Additionally, a new Bible Study Group led by members of the congregation has sprung up in church and is becoming increasingly popular on Wednesday mornings at 10.30. We were treated to another piano recital on Saturday 11th from our concert pianist neighbour, David Ruddock who opened up the stories behind the beautiful music by introducing each piece with wit and insight: we hope to welcome David back in the autumn. All the proceeds from our concerts this year have been very kindly donated to the church heating fund, for which we are most grateful.

A team of bellringers from Gloucester rang a Quarter peal in St Saviour's Tower on the afternoon of 18th June when we also hosted a lovely Blessing to celebrate 20 years of marriage. Our final weekend of June has seen the return of the Friends of St Saviour's Strawberry Tea, concluding this Midsummer month in fine style- our thanks to all the Friends who have worked so hard to make this event a success once again. M K



Treasurer's Report

Statement for the month of May 2022

May 2022

Income	£3302
Expenses	<u>£4720</u>
Deficit	£1418

Total assets at	31 May 2022	£96183
Total assets at	1 January 2022	£97498

Deficit for year.....£1315

The above surplus arises because funds received towards the heating appeal are included in the income. By deducting the sum raised to date (see below) the adjusted position is,

Adjusted deficit for year.....£7246

New heating system (update)

We continue to raise funds towards the new heating system for our church following the failure of the existing gas boiler. Following a meeting with our Architect and heating Consultant, a four point phased plan is being drawn up. Firstly install a gas boiler which is capable of conversion to BioLPG. Secondly enhance the existing system to increase efficiency. Thirdly install pew heaters in the Chancel and finally convert the gas boiler to BioLPG. We do not know at this stage what the overall cost is likely to be but a best guess would still be in the region of £80k. Some generous donations have been received along with concert takings giving a total of £5931 (at 31 May 2022) which is a good start but still a long long way to go.

Please help us to reach our target of £80k. Donations can be by cheque made payable to St Saviour's PCC Westgate-on-Sea and sent to, The Vicarage, Thanet Road, Westgate-on-Sea CT8 8PB. By direct payment to our bank, (please email office@stsaviourswestgate.org.uk for details). Cash can be deposited inside church when open. Thank you.

G R Neve
Hon Treasurer
Email: neve389@btinternet.com

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee June 2022





What is the Hub and why do we need it?

St Saviour's Church strives to serve our local community by providing facilities and opportunities for people to gather during the week as well as on Sundays; however, this is quite difficult without a church hall to offer as well as the church building as it stands. We are aware that there are many more individuals and groups of all ages looking for places to meet in Westgate to pursue a range of communal activities. The Hub is a vision to create a space attached to the church which will be accessible from St Mildred's Road and will open out into our church garden, which is currently being developed by the Looking Ahead Gardening Group.

To reach this goal, we have set up a Hub Planning Group jointly with members of the Church and the Town Council working in partnership for the good of the whole community. Plans are going ahead to produce architect's drawings over the coming months which will be available to look at in church and in the Town Council Offices. Funding from the National Lottery is being applied for together with the appropriate permission from the Diocesan Advisory Board.

The Hub project aims to increase the range and quality of provision we are able to offer the wider community of Westgate but it will not change the nature of the church itself or the friendly and welcoming groups already meeting regularly in church. If you have any questions about the Hub project, please direct these to Mother Karen. motherkaren55@gmail.com M K



St Saviour's Church, Westgate



**CHURCH IS OPEN FOR SERVICES ON SUNDAY
AT 9am (Holy Communion Prayer Book) 2nd, 4th &
5th SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH**

and Sung Eucharist at 10.30am every Sunday.

**SUNDAY SERVICES at 10.30am are
live – streamed from church.**

**You can join us online by accessing the church
website (www.stsaviourswestgate.org.uk) &
obtaining the link on the Visiting Page shown
below the service information.**

FROM THE REGISTERS

For those Baptised

“Shine as a light in the world, to the Glory of God the Father”

For those joined in Holy Matrimony

“God our Father, pour out your blessing on all joined in Holy Matrimony; that they may be joined in mutual love and companionship, in holiness and commitment to each other”

The Sick

“Lord, grant your healing presence to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit”

David, Gill, Ann, Terry, Derrick, Phyll, Joyce, Vanessa, Heidi, Melanie, Sue and Tony, Bob, Hilary

The Departed

“Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word”

We give thanks for the life of those who now rest in eternal peace, and pray for their families and friends

For those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

“Dear God, we thank you for the rest in Christ they now enjoy, and thank you for giving them to us”

26th June Shirley, 27th June Jeremy, Maureen

World War 2 Roll of Honour

Reginald Dowling 5th July 1940

Arthur Jarman 26th July 1944

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LOOKING AHEAD COMMUNITY!

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There has been such a lovely atmosphere at the church each Friday morning, with the Friendly Friday and Looking Ahead Community Group, meeting together for fun and fellowship. We have even enjoyed more cakes, thanks to John, our new church-warden!

We continue to make peanut butter/seed treats for the birds in the church garden, and are still enjoying our Royal Family and Downton Abbey colouring!

The Friendly Friday weekly book sale has re-commenced, with all proceeds going to our Heating Fund.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all those members of Friendly Friday who assist me each week with the serving of refreshments!

Love Valerie

**Flowers in Church Sunday 26th June in memory of the late Shirley Plummer**



## Prayer Partnership

I am writing to all my brothers and sisters in Christ today, to ask if they would be willing to join together, in using one of the most powerful tools Jesus gave us, and that is prayer. In the past this church has used Prayer partnership as a tool in which we can support each other, by the use of prayer. Jesus says "I tell you that, if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by your father in Heaven" Mathew 18: 19-20

We often pray for the wider community, our families and friends, but sometimes we all need someone to pray for us. Using this in church is one way that our family in Christ is not forgotten, it connects each one of us and binds us together as a united Christian family.

Galatians 6:2 tells us, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ.

Praying for one another is a powerful way for us to bear one another's burdens. Taking another's hand and praying for them is a powerful blessing you can give another person.

By praying for another it can remove our isolation, it builds relationships, and brings us together as a family.

Intercessory prayer is a never-ending opportunity to join God in His work while, at the same time, a chance to be transformed both in the heart, and spirit and allow us to grow as a family in Christ.

I hope that you will hold this idea in your hearts, and feel able to join in. I will hopefully discuss how this works during our Sunday morning worship.

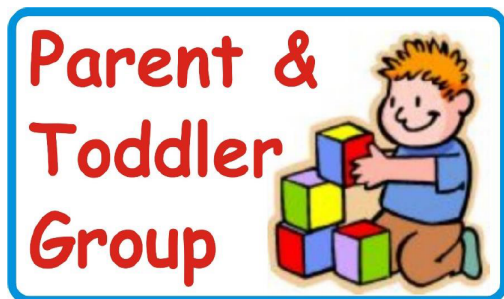
In God's Love

Debbie



St Saviour's Church, Westgate

# **TODDLER TIME**

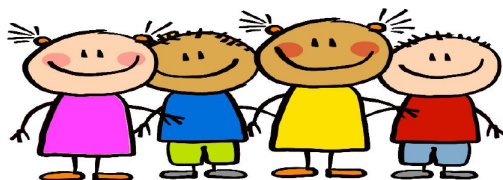


**Meets MONDAY  
MORNINGS** (Term time only)

**10.30am to 12 noon**

**For pre-school children  
& carers**

**Have fun in the garden  
or inside if wet**



## **News from St Saviour's Church of England School**

The summer is here and, for the moment, Covid is leaving us alone. We are taking advantage of this respite to do some of the things we have not done for a while. This summer will see our first proper sports day, summer fair, music concert and Year 6 leavers production since 2019. We are having to remind ourselves how we run these events as this element of school has been paused for so long.

Being able to run these events allows different children to shine. Our academic work, the nuts and bolts process of teaching and learning, never stopped. However, the opportunities to excel in sports, perform music or drama or simply to run a stall at the summer fair, gives children, who might otherwise not be confident, the chance to succeed. These events are also a lovely opportunity for staff and parents to interact, outside the more formal events such as parent consultation meetings.

Throughout this week, we have been conducting guided tours of the school for next year's Year 3 parents. Not only is it interesting to see so many parents we already know (through older siblings attending St. Saviour's) but it is also nice to begin to chip away at the anxiety that all parents and carers experience when their children change schools. As we walk these children and families around our school and introduce them to our staff, I can see the nerves visibly fading. Walking these families around our calm classrooms and seeing how polite our children are, helps these families feel confident in handing over their children to us to care for. When you drop your children off at any school, you are trusting them to look after them; the phrase 'in loco parentis' is absolutely key for me. Schools have a parental responsibility to children; we should be nurturing and supporting children as we would our own children. I think, when parents visit our school, they realise we are serious about doing this as well as we can.

*Nick Bonell, Headteacher*

If you receive cards and letters through the post, could you save the stamps and bring them along to St Saviour's church? St Saviour's will then send them to the RNIB who will recycle them into much-needed funds for their services.

You can also support the RNIB by donating disused or foreign money. If you have any surplus foreign currency from overseas trips, or any unusable old British currency hiding at the back of the drawer, we'd love to receive it! Please hand in any donations to our Church Wardens,



As the new Verger in St Saviour's I thought it would be nice to try and record the names of previous Vergers who have served in this church.

The photo is of the front page of a Special Jubilee edition of our Parish Magazine printed in July 1934 - the church having been serving the local community for 50 years. Underneath the photo are a list of names for the Church Wardens, Sidesmen, Organist and Verger, etc.

Using this magazine as our starting point and with the help of Christine, we have begun to compile a list of Vergers as follows:

- 1934 - Mr H Faver, Westbury Road
- 1960s (possibly 1970's) - Reg Luck, Wellesley Road
- Bernard Woolley
- Stuart Wilmott, Tivoli
- 2021 - Onwards Stephen Short, Sussex Gardens

As you can see, my information at the moment is very limited and therefore I wanted to ask for your help? If you know any Vergers who have served at St Saviour's or if you have photos of Vergers that I could scan, I would be very grateful. The role of Verger is an important one and I would love to identify the names of all those men and woman who have served at St Saviour's as Verger so that we can join together in remembering them. Sadly I was not able to discuss this topic with dear Dr Dawn Crouch as I know for certain, she would have been able to help me.

I look forward to hearing from you and any details you may have to enable me to expand my list.

Best wishes Stephen Verger - St Saviour's

Special Jubilee Number, 1884-1934.

JULY, 1934.

# ST. SAVIOUR'S

WESTGATE-ON-SEA

## PARISH MAGAZINE.

### Clergy :

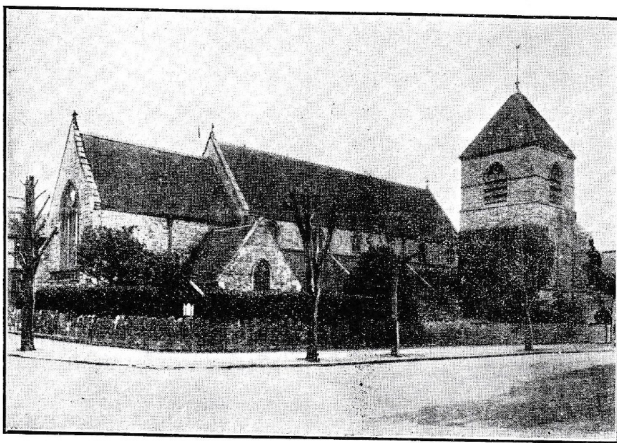
The Rev. NORMAN L. LYCETT, Vicar.

The Rev. J. N. C. HOLLAND,

The Rev. J. V. HOBBINS,

The Rev. A. E. L. BURR,

} Assistant Clergy.



*Churchwardens*—Mr. N. HUDSON and Major SARGENT.

*Sidesmen*—C. BALDWIN, V. BEER, C. S. BURCHELL, A. C. BURGESS, A. W. CURLING, F. W. EDMED, L. GOLDER, F. HARVEY, J. JACKSON, C. C. KENRICK, W. F. LONGRIGG, E. MARCH, C. MORRELL, M. PETERS, C. PIERCE, F. PYMAN, F. REEVES, A. VENIS, H. WILSON-HILL.

*Organist*—Mr. A. K. JARDINE.

*Veiger*—Mr. H. FAVER, 26 Westbury Road.

*S. Saviour's Hall Secretary*—Mr. P. F. SPARLING, Lloyds Bank (to whom all applications should be made).

### SUNDAY SERVICES.

|                     |                     |      |
|---------------------|---------------------|------|
| HOLY COMMUNION—     | Matins and Sermon   | 11.0 |
| Every Sunday        | Catechising         | 3.0  |
| 1st Sunday          | Evensong and Sermon | 6.30 |
| 2nd Sunday (choral) | Baptisms on         |      |
| 4th Sunday          | 4th Sunday          | 3.0  |

### WEEK-DAYS.

|                                           |                          |      |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| HOLY COMMUNION—                           | Matins (Wed. and Friday) | 11.0 |
| Tuesday                                   | Evensong                 | 6.0  |
| Thursday                                  |                          |      |
| Friday                                    |                          |      |
| And S. Michael's Home Wed. & Sat. at 7.30 | SAINTS' DAYS—            |      |
|                                           | Holy Communion           | 8.0  |

### MISSION ROOM—LINKSFIELD ROAD

Holy Communion : 1st Sunday 9 a.m.

Evening Prayer and Sermon every Sunday at 7 p.m.

Woods' Library, Printers, Westgate-on-Sea.

Donations of food needed for the Storehouse Foodbank, based at Birchington Baptist Church. Please support our local foodbank by sending donations of money to the PCC Treasurer who will forward the money directly to the Storehouse. Donations also accepted for Oasis and Porchlight. Please contact the Treasurer at [neve389@btinternet.com](mailto:neve389@btinternet.com) for details Thank you.

Whilst you are welcome to take and enjoy a copy of “The Link”, donations towards the cost of printing would be appreciated,. Many thanks to all who donate.

**The deadline for the AUGUST 2022 “The Link” is**  
**SUNDAY 31st JULY 2022**



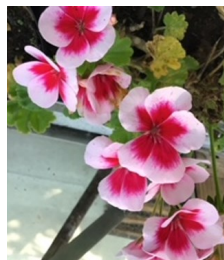
**'If you would like a flower arrangement in church in memory of a loved one, we can supply this at any time..Donations from £10.'**

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The 1st Westgate Rainbows have been chosen as one of the Coop Local Community Fund Groups until October 2022.

We would be grateful for anyone with a Coop card to select us as their cause.

THANK YOU.

## **SNICKER DOODLES**

A simple cinnamon cookie. Soft inside, crisp outside.

Makes approximately 30

Prep 20 mins plus cooling

Bake 10 / 12 mins

### **Ingredients**

200 g softened butter or baking spread

150g castor sugar

50g light brown sugar 2 tsp vanilla extract

300g plain flour

1.5 tsp cream of tartar

1 tsp bicarbonate of soda

Pinch salt

2 tbsp milk

For the Topping:

3 tbsp castor sugar

1tgs ground cinnamon

### **Method**

Heat oven 180 C fan

Line a baking tray with parchment

1. Beat butter and sugars with an electric mixer for 2 minutes until smooth and fluffy

2. Add the vanilla, beat till combined. Add dry ingredients and mix until just combined. Add milk to loosen the mixture slightly.

3. For the topping, combine the sugar and cinnamon in a shallow bowl, roll 20 g of the dough into a ball. Roll the ball in the sugar and cinnamon mixture. Place on the baking tray and flatten slightly.



Repeat with the remaining mixture keeping them 4cm apart. Bake for 10 /12mins until golden.

Leave to cool in the tin for 10 mins then transfer to a wire rack. Will keep in an air-tight tin for 5 days.

They freeze well either baked or raw.

Pam



### **Scripture Union Beach Mission 2022**

Good news! The Beach Mission returns to Birchington between 23<sup>rd</sup> July and Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August. This year's theme is "Loved" 1 John 3:1.

Details of the programme are being finalised following a meeting of church representatives from Westgate and Birchington on 21<sup>st</sup> May. In the meantime, offers of help would be appreciated with

Accommodation. Can you host a team member during the mission? All meals are provided at the various church venues in Birchington.

Cakes. Homemade cakes are much appreciated by parents and team members. Can you help?

Marquees. The organisers would appreciate help with putting up the marquee (s) around midday on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and taking them down at the same time on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August

Offers of help to me in the first instance, please. I'll then pass the details to the relevant person. Thank you Christine Attwood

AND COUNTESS OF HAREWOOD

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Princess Mary was the only daughter of King George V and Queen Mary, and was born on the 25th. April. 1897 at York Cottage, on the Sandringham Estate. She was the third child of the then Duke and Duchess of York, who would later become King George V and Queen Mary. She was the granddaughter of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra, and a great-granddaughter of Queen Victoria. Mary would live to see not only her two brothers ascend the throne, but also her niece, Queen Elizabeth II.

At the beginning of our present Queen's reign, the Queen and Prince Philip had a young family. They had to rely on a small team of family members for support, and for taking on engagements that they didn't have time to fulfill. Princess Mary was one of the most hardworking members of this team.

Today, Princess Mary still remains relatively unknown. However, she paved the way for many modern princesses. By using her elevated position to help those less fortunate than herself, she ensured that the lives of future princesses would be so much more than just organising social events. This made her Britain's first modern princess. What makes this even more incredible, is that she was born during Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee year in 1897, at a time when there was great respect to the Crown, and much formality.

Princess Mary was 17 years old when the First World War began, and at the beginning, she accompanied her mother, Queen Mary, to visit hospitals and welfare organisations. In order to ensure that the British troops and sailors were not forgotten at Christmas, Princess Mary wanted to give them all a small Christmas gift enclosed in an embossed tin. (I was lucky enough to find one in an antique market in Greenwich! I will enclose a photo). Mary actually wanted to pay for this innovation using her own money, but the logistics were judged to be not practical.

Mary also gave her name to the Princess Mary Gift Book, which contained works from contemporary authors. The book helped to support the Queen Mary's Work for Women Fund, which helped to find employment for women. The Fund was successful, as by the end of the First World War, over 1 million more women were working.

Princess Mary also worked in a canteen in a munitions factory in Hayes. She was also very interested in nursing, (specialising in Paediatric care), and on her 21st. birthday in 1918, Mary's father, King George V, gave his permission for her to train as a nurse

. She trained at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children, in London. She gained a great deal of satisfaction in her work in nursing, and grew in confidence.

In 1922, Mary married Henry Lascelles, the heir to the Earldom of Harewood. Amongst Princess Mary's bridesmaids was the then Lady Bowes-Lyon (later Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother), who would marry Mary's brother, Bertie, the future King George VI, the following year. Mary started the tradition of placing her wedding bouquet on the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior. The couple lived at Harewood House in Yorkshire, and had two sons: George Lascelles, 7th Earl of Harewood (1923), and the Honourable Gerald Lascelles (1924). Mary's sons would become first cousins to the present Queen.

Mary continued to undertake many Royal engagements, mainly in the North of England.

One of the most difficult periods in Mary's life was the Abdication Crisis of 1936. She was very close to her brother, Edward, Prince of Wales, and later King Edward VIII. Mary's brother abdicated in December 1936, and his brother, the Duke of York succeeded him, becoming King George VI, our present Queen's father. Mary witnessed the full crisis and its implications at first hand.

Mary was the first member of the Royal Family to visit her brother, the now Duke of Windsor, in exile, and would always spend time with him when he returned to England for brief visits.

Princess Mary died on the 28th. March. 1965, when she suffered a fatal heart attack during a walk with her eldest son, Lord Harewood and his children, in the grounds of the Harewood Estate. She was 67 years old.

She had lived through six reigns of British monarchs, and she is remembered as an uncontroversial member of the Royal Family.

Love Valerie





Mothers Union Fellowship Service Sunday June 19th in St Saviour's Church



 MARY SUMNER HOUSE AND

AND ITS ASSOCIATION WITH

PRINCESS MARY, COUNTESS OF HAREWOOD

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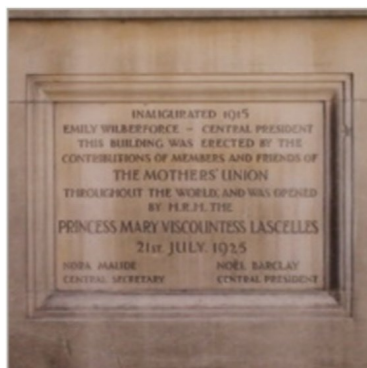
As a follow-up to my previous article in this month's magazine, in researching into the life of Princess Mary, Countess of Harewood, I made further discoveries of her life concerning the Mothers' Union! I feel that this article provides a connection to our Mothers' Union service held at St. Saviour's last Sunday.

Mary Sumner House in London, is home to Mothers' Union. The building was erected by the contributions of members and friends of the Mothers' Union throughout the world. It was opened on 21st. July. 1925 by HRH THE PRINCESS MARY, THEN VISCOUNTESS OF HAREWOOD!

Many years later, at the end of 1953, Princess Mary gave a speech at the Three-day York Festival of the Home, which was an event noted for having the largest gathering of members of the Mothers' Union in the North of England.

Princess Mary had a daunting task to perform as she had to give a speech over a loud-speaker to over 2,000 members. Her speech included the role of the Church in sustaining the family unit. Here are a few excerpts from her speech: " We are the Church, and the part the Mother's Union can play in modern life has never been greater. This Festival, by its exhibition and wide range of lectures, will enable members to fit themselves further, for this vitally important work".

Love Valerie



Mary Sumner House, home to Mothers' Union – an international Christian membership charity -, was opened on 21 July 1925 by HRH the Princess Mary Viscountess Lascelles, and was built from the donations of members and friends of Mothers' Union throughout the world.

# CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Toddler Time Group meets Monday mornings 10.30am to 12 noon ,term time only.

Bellringers Practice every Thursday 7.30 to 9pm.

Bible Study Group meet Thursday at 7pm, details & inquiries ring

Susan 836430 .

Bible study in church Wednesday morning at 10.30am.

Care of Church Building & Communication Team meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 11am.

The Hospitality & Mission group meet at 11am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month.

The Prayer & Pastoral Team meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month.

## The Westgate Heritage Centre

Meets on the 1st Saturday of each month 10am to 12noon. A talk is usually given at these sessions. Until further notice meetings will be at CHRIST-CHURCH URC due to heating problems.

Refreshments are available. See the website for further details.

## The Friends of St Saviour's Church - Annual Membership Fee only £5

New members welcome. Join the Friends of St Saviour's church Subscription only £5 per year . All monies raised go towards the upkeep of the church and grounds. Membership forms at the back of the church or ring

Debbie Tel: 01843 446584 / 07896508399 email: [drdebbie08@gmail.com](mailto:drdebbie08@gmail.com)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 9th July St Saviour's Mothers Union Ladies Pudding & Pimms evening in the Vicarage Garden 6pm. Proceeds towards AFIA.

St Saviour's Church has a Hearing Loop System



**Large print Hymn Books and Pew Sheets** are available. Gluten Free wafers are also available please see Sidespersons or Church-wardens

# CHURCH SERVICES

## Sunday Services

9am Holy Communion Prayer Book on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month and also on the 5th Sunday of a month where applicable.

10.30am Sung Eucharist

## SEE NOTICES FOR SERVICES

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1st Westgate Rainbows                      Fridays 4.15 to 5.15pm

8th Westgate Brownies & Guides    Fridays 5.30 to 7pm

Brownies for ages 7 to 10 years    Guides for 10 to 16 years

Both held at the Community Centre, Westgate.

## JOIN THE ADVENTURE....

Come along and try 1st Westgate-On-Sea  
Scout Group for Boys and Girls

**Where:** The Billabong,  
St. Crispins Road  
Westgate-On-Sea CT8 8EB

**When:** Beavers: Tuesday 5:15pm—6:30pm  
Cubs: Tuesday 6:45pm—8:15pm  
Scouts: Thursday 7:00pm—9:00pm

**Ages:** Beavers: 5 3/4—8 years  
Cubs: 8—10 1/2 years  
Scouts: 10 1/2— 14 years

**Contact:** 1st Westgate-On-Sea Scout Group  
Email: 1stwestgatescoutgroup@gmail.com



**Caring for an elderly relative or neighbour?**

**Do you need a break... or do they?**

**Respite care for the elderly available at...**

**Yoakley House**

**Drapers Close, Margate**

**Kent CT9 4AH**

**For details or to arrange a visit:**

**Tel: 01843 223652**

**Email: [admin@yoakleycare.co.uk](mailto:admin@yoakleycare.co.uk)**

**[www.yoakleycare.co.uk](http://www.yoakleycare.co.uk)**