

Little St. Mary's, Cambridge

NEWSLETTER

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SERVICES & EVENTS IN JULY

- Wed 2nd VISITATION OF THE BVM
Low Mass 10:00am High Mass 7:00pm
- Sun 6th **7th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
10.30am High Mass, Preacher: The Revd James Rigney,
Chaplain, Magdalen College
- Mon 7th Visit of Bishop Peter J Lee, Christ the King, 4.00pm - 6.30pm
- Fri 11th Performance of "The Lambeth Talk", 8.00pm
- Sat 12th Summer Fete
Performance of "The Lambeth Walk" at 3.00pm
- Sun 13th **8th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
Piano Recital, 7.30pm
- Mon 14th Hour of Prayer: 175th Anniversary of Oxford Movement 5.00pm
- Tue 15th PCC 7.30pm
- Wed 16th Healing Ministry: 9.45am/10.00am
Society of Mary, 8.00pm
- Thur 17th Healing Ministry: 9.45am/10.00am
- Sun 20th **9th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
10.30am High Mass, Preacher: The Revd Anthony Moore
Chaplain, St Catharine College
- Tue 22nd ST MARY MAGDALEN
Low Mass 7.45am Sung Mass 7.00pm Compline 9.30pm
- Fri 25th ST JAMES, Apostle
Low Mass 12.30pm Sung Mass 7.00pm
- Sun 27th **10th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
- Mon 28th Social Responsibility Group, 7.30pm

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VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

The first week in July brings us significant events in the lives of two particular priests. On Wednesday July 2nd, when we keep the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, **Fr David Neaum**, having been ordained priest in Salisbury Cathedral on June 28th, will celebrate his First Mass in LSM, at 7pm. This is a wonderful moment in the life of any priest, and we are delighted that, although Fr David will by then technically be in his new post, he is sharing it with us after his deacon's year at LSM. After the Mass, there will be refreshments (bring-and-share), and a presentation to him. On the following day, Thursday 3rd, **the Venerable David Thomson** will be consecrated Bishop in Southwark Cathedral, to serve as our new Suffragan Bishop. We offer him our best wishes and prayers as he prepares for his ministry as Bishop of Huntingdon, and hope that we shall see him at LSM before too long.

The following week begins with a visit from **Bishop Peter Lee** of the Diocese of Christ the King, South Africa, on Monday 7th. You can read more about him and this visit in Clive Brown's article on page 13. At the end of that week comes our **Summer Fete and Gift Day**. The full programme is set out on page 6, but we do hope to see as many LSM members, friends and acquaintances as possible at one of the performances of 'The Lambeth Talk', Catherine Osborne's highly amusing adaptation of *'Me and My Girl'*, as well as at the stalls and refreshment tables, the Young People's Concert and at Choral Evensong and Benediction at 6pm on July 12th. We desperately need people to help with setting up stalls and gazebos on the Saturday morning from 9am, as well as more chorus members for **The Lambeth Talk'**...very few rehearsals now...why not give it a go?! Our choir and musicians are among the people who work extremely hard on occasions such as this, so it is good that we are to welcome a visiting choir from Canada (the Anglican Chorale of Ottawa) at High Mass the following day. The weekend concludes with another of **Fusae Takahashi's** delightful piano recitals (see page 12); this is in aid of our Music Fund (which has been rather depleted by the very disappointing attendances at the high quality concerts in May and June) and **CLICSargent**, known among us as 'Lizzie Davies' Charity' (Cancer and Leukaemia in Children). As tickets will be only £5, there will also be a retiring collection after the recital..

Once the Summer Fete weekend is over, the PCC will be meeting again. The development of the **'Parish Centre'** will be on the agenda, following

the special meeting about this in June. The Council will be asked to make a decision on whether or not to apply for a faculty for work in accordance with Chris Cowper's latest design. This application does not mean in itself that the work will be carried out, but it is a necessary preliminary stage in the lengthy process of discussion with a wide range of bodies, including the local planning authority. The Council will also be asked to approve a paper which will set out the various steps which would have to be taken in relation to planning, finance and other matters; this paper, if approved, would then be available to members of the congregation, so that everyone can be kept informed about the process, and be in a position to comment. Communication on such a major project as this is clearly vital, and I hope that people will talk openly to me and to PCC members about it; but I hope also that it will be a matter for prayer and commitment to God. I have to say that I found it disappointing that only 20 people attended the open meeting about the project in December, and just over 40 the APCM when it was on the agenda, and it's difficult to know how to interpret what would seem to be lack of interest. The Council will also be considering how to further the two other items in our 'Mission Action Plan': how to encourage wider use of a suitable form of the Daily Office in people's homes, and the establishment of a team of people who might take on some pastoral visiting, perhaps in a sheltered housing complex.

Also on the agenda for the same PCC meeting will be a short report from the small 'Mission Team' which has been participating in a Diocesan programme over the last 9 months. At the last event which we attended we heard a very interesting presentation on ways in which architectural and devotional items of interest at Ely Cathedral are presented to visitors through leaflets and commentaries. I'm sure that there are lessons for us here for the development of 'ministry to visitors'.

Alice Thompson's time with us as Lay Pastoral Assistant comes to an end on July 27th, when we shall have an opportunity to express our thanks to her and wish her farewell. Every LPA has brought particular interests and skills to the job, and Alice has been particularly committed to our contacts with the 'Monday group' for those with Mental Health difficulties, and with our churchyard garden visitors. Her successor, Chris Pickles, will be joining us in time for us to welcome him on our annual Additional Curates' Society 'Vocations Sunday', which this year is on St Matthew's Day, September 21st. Chris' mother knew Bishop John Flack many years ago when she

was in the Choir in the parish of Chapeltown (Wakefield Diocese); Bishop John, I remind you, will be our preacher for our Patronal Festival, on Friday August 15th (7pm). It's likely that there will be different arrangements this time for the LPA's accommodation, as Chris will probably be sharing a house with the two Great St Mary's Pastoral Assistants. Alex Faludy, Gemma Burnett-Chetwynd and Alice have all been very happy at Wesley House, but this arrangement will be slightly cheaper for us, and it's good that we shall have the link with Great St Mary's.

A word of thanks to **Deirdre Price-Thomas**, who has looked after the Sunday Coffee Rota for seven years; she has handed over to **Liz Bassett**, who would be glad to hear from any new volunteers! Mention of Sunday coffee reminds me that on Sunday July 6th we shall be welcoming people from Emmanuel URC after Mass; as well as having coffee with us, they will be exploring the church and its contents, so please be on hand to assist with looking after our visitors! Junior Choir members will just have time to help before going off on their annual punting expedition!

with best wishes and prayers: Fr Andrew

Other dates to note...first for July.

Thanksgiving for the 175th anniversary of the Oxford Movement:

An hour of silent prayer on Monday July 14th at 5pm

Prayer for the sick and those who care for them:

Wednesday 16th: 9.45-10am, Thursday 17th 6.15-6.30pm,

With anointing and laying-on of hands at the Low Mass which follows this time of silent prayer

Meditation: at the conclusion of 6pm Evening Prayer on Monday 21st

Compline: 9.30pm on the Feast of St Mary Magdalen, Tuesday 22nd.

For August: Retreat at Worth Abbey with friends from Chant d'Oiseau:

Monday 25th to Thursday 28th: this is a final call!

For October: Outing to Chatsworth: Saturday 11th

For November: Saturday 22nd: **'Three Churches Group'** with Canon Martin Warner at St Pauls' Cathedral: (LSM, All Saints Margaret Street, and 'Mary Mags' Oxford).

Please continue to remember in your prayers...

There is sad news of two of our Home Communicants; **Joyce ('Joy') Day** had a fall at home in mid-June and was taken into Addenbrooke's (F3); problems with her spine have made walking extremely painful and difficult for a long time, and at present she is unable to walk at all. **Margaret Shaw** has suffered a severe stroke, and is being cared for at home. She is likely to be moving into a nursing home.

Four people known to us at LSM who are undergoing chemotherapy: **David Greason, Miranda Long, Emma Chopourian and John Sweet** (formerly Dean of Selwyn College).

*If anyone would like to join the group of people who pray for the sick and those who care for them (particularly on the Wednesday and Thursday selected each month for the healing ministry), please let **Patricia Davies** know. 01223-234791*

R.I.P.

We pray for the theologian and former Master of Peterhouse, the Very Revd Professor Henry Chadwick, who died on June 17th. He was Regius Professor of Divinity first at Oxford, and later at Cambridge, and Dean of Christ Church, Oxford; he was a participant in the Anglican-Roman Catholic conversations from 1969 to 1981, and 1983 to 1990.

We pray also for William John Dempsey, frequenter of both church and churchyard at LSM over many years, conversationalist and in a way a 'father-figure' to others who have found some sort of sanctuary in the churchyard.

CAMBRIDGE OPEN STUDIOS

www.camopenstudios.co.uk

Malcolm Munro

invites you to view some of his recent work

The Stables, Fulbourn Manor

Sat 12th/Sun 13th and Sat 19th/Sun 20th July

11.00am - 6.00pm

All welcome

SUMMER FETE WEEKEND

Little St Mary's Church

FRIDAY 11th JULY

8.00pm Performance of *The Lambeth Talk*

Tickets £6/£3

SATURDAY 12th JULY

11.00am Fete opens; coffee and biscuits available

Stalls (cakes, books etc.) & photo exhibitions (in Lady Chapel)
open all day

11.30am Vicar receives Gifts Midday: 5 minutes silence

12.05pm Children's concert 1.00pm Lunch

2.30pm Vicar receives Gifts

3.00pm Performance of *The Lambeth Talk*

Tickets £6/£3

4.00pm Cream Teas

6.00pm Choral Evensong & Benediction

SUNDAY 13th JULY

10.30am HighMass (with visiting choir from Canada)

6.00pm Evensong & Benediction

7.30pm Piano recital by Fusae Takahashi

Tickets £5/free: proceeds to CLIC Sargent and LSM



Calendar and Intentions

for

JULY

The list of Thanksgivings and Intercessions offers a focus for our daily prayer, both at the Offices and Mass, and in our personal times of prayer.

The Vicar would be glad of suggestions for additions to the list of daily intentions.

Calendar for July

Tues.	1st	
Wed.	2nd	VISITATION of the BVM: LM 10am HM 7pm
Thurs.	3rd	Consecration of the new Bishop of Huntingdon
Fri.	4th	
Sat.	5th	
SUN.	6th	7th after TRINITY
Mon.	7th	4-6.30pm: Visit of the Bishop of Christ the King, South Africa
Tues.	8th	
Wed.	9th	
Thurs.	10th	
Fri.	11th	St Benedict: 8pm: 1st performance of 'The Lambeth Talk'
Sat.	12th	SUMMER FETE and GIFT DAY: see page 6
SUN.	13th	8th after TRINITY: Concert 7.30pm: see page 12
Mon.	14th	commem. John Keble, Pr.; Hour of Prayer 5pm: see page 4/ 10
Tues.	15th	St Bonaventure, Bp., St Swithun, Bp. PCC 7pm
Wed.	16th	Healing Ministry 9.45/10am: 8pm: Society of Mary
Thurs.	17th	Healing Ministry 6.15/6.30pm
Fri.	18th	
Sat.	19th	St Gregory of Nyssa, Bishop
SUN.	20th	9th after TRINITY
Mon.	21st	
Tues.	22nd	St MARY MAGDALEN: LM 7.45am, SM 7pm Compline 9.30pm
Wed.	23rd	St Bridget: Overseas Links Group
Thurs.	24th	
Fri.	25th	St JAMES, Apostle: LM 12.30pm, SM 7pm
Sat.	26th	SS Joachim and Anna
SUN.	27th	10th after TRINITY
Mon.	28th	Social Responsibility Group 7.30pm
Tues.	29th	St Martha
Wed.	30th	
Thurs.	31st	St Ignatius Loyola

Daily Intentions and *Anniversaries* for July

The People of Zimbabwe		1st
Fr David Neaum	<i>Daniel Golding, Eunice Francis</i>	2nd
David Thomson, to be the new Bishop of Huntingdon	<i>Tom Forte</i>	3rd
Our Choirs	<i>Jack Hunter, Alfred Francis</i>	4th
Emmanuel U.R.C.	<i>James Owen, Pr.</i>	5th
The Parish		6th
St Cyprian's, Sharpeville, Diocese of Christ the King	<i>Dorothy Oakley</i>	7th
The Church's Mission at home and overseas		8th
Friends of LSM	<i>Matthew Richards</i>	9th
CLICSargent		10th
Benedictines	<i>Robert Runcie, Bp.</i>	11th
Our Summer Fete and Gift Day	<i>John Rose</i>	12th
The Parish	<i>Audrey Styler</i>	13th
Thanksgiving for the Oxford Movement		14th
Parochial Church Council		15th
The Lambeth Conference		16th
The Church's Healing Ministry	<i>Jim Campbell, Elisabeth Barnes</i>	17th
Peacekeeping forces	<i>Winifred Eakhurst</i>	18th
Theologians	<i>John Gibson, Gordon Roe, Bp.</i>	19th
The Parish		20th
The Departed	<i>Marguerite South</i>	21st
St Mary Magdalen, Oxford	<i>John Butterfield</i>	22nd
Our Overseas Links Group		23rd
Christian Unity	<i>Amanda Copley</i>	24th
The Bishops of the Anglican Communion		25th
Mothers' Union	<i>Muriel Williams</i>	26th
The Parish	<i>Kathleen Waring</i>	27th
Social Responsibility Group	<i>Phyllis Price, Neville Woods</i>	28th
Neighbouring parishes in 'partnership'	<i>Diana Goodhart</i>	29th
Visitors to Cambridge		30th
Spiritual Guides		31st

Monday, 14th July

commemoration of

JOHN KEBLE

and

175th Anniversary

of the

OXFORD MOVEMENT

*Father of the eternal Word,
in whose encompassing love
all things in peace and order move:
grant that as thy servant John Keble
adored thee in all creation,
so we may have a
humble heart of love
for the mysteries of thy Church
and know thy love to be
new every morning,
in Jesus thy Son Our Lord. AMEN*

TALES OF A VISIT TO NORFOLK CHURCHES

Recently, with a group from the Art Fund, I visited four churches in Norfolk all in the vicinity of Reepham, north west of Norwich (*where Parson Woodforde did his shopping*). The first two churches were both “churches in retirement”, the new name for redundant churches.

St Faith, Little Witchingham

Outwardly a simple, remote little church dating from the 12thC. With a 15th C. tower which remained un-restored and neglected until rescued from ruin fifty years ago. By chance in 1967 very important wall paintings were discovered.

These include symbols of the evangelists, St George, the story of the Passion and the Resurrection, though some imagination is required to recognise the symbols.



St Michael the Archangel, Booton

Built in the late 19thC. by an eccentric vicar, the Rev. Whitwell Elwin, who travelled all over the country to get ideas for his new church which has pinnacles and towers all over the place. Inside enormous angels like ships' figureheads dominate the roof and more angels in the windows with flowing hair and drapery process across lush meadows. The architect Edward Lutyens referred to the church as “very naughty, but built in the right spirit”. Being a comparatively

modern church and beautifully maintained and cared for it looks very unlike a “church in retirement”

St Agnes, Cawston

A huge church with a massive, rather gaunt tower dominating the countryside. It had wealthy patrons in the 15th and early 16thC. who paid for the hammer-beam roof, one of the finest in Norfolk. The magnificent furnishings include a high rood screen with painted saints and its original doors.



St Peter & St Paul, Salle (*pronounced Saul*)

One of Simon Jenkins' very top churches and highly praised by Pevsner and Betjeman this is a wonderful early 15thC church which has the best of everything that century produced including lovely glass, bench ends, an angel roof and

a seven-sacrament font with unique emblems. The soaring west tower dominates the countryside. Our guide here was the churchwarden who was obviously very proud of the church and conveyed its beauties to his hearers.

Richard Barlow-Poole



Piano Recital

by **Fusae Takahashi**

**Sunday, 13th July
7.30pm**

Schubert

Four impromptus Opus 90, D899

Schubert

Sonata in E minor, D566

Schumann

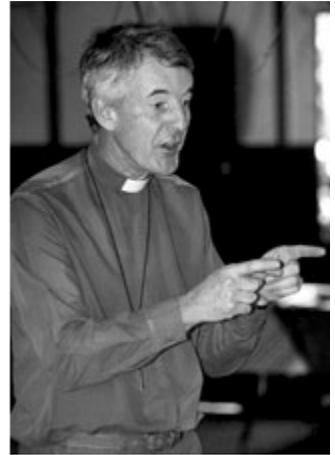
Fantasie in C major, Opus 17

Tickets £5/free: proceeds to CLICSargent and LSM

VISIT BY BISHOP PETER J. LEE, DIOCESE OF CHRIST THE KING, SOUTH AFRICA, Monday, 7th July

Many of you will remember Fr David Dinkebogile, the parish priest of St Cyprian's, Sharpeville, who is building a schoolroom with funds given by Little St Mary's. Sharpeville falls in the Diocese of Christ the King, and we thought it would be a good idea to see whether the Bishop of the Diocese, Peter Lee, could visit us while he is here for the Lambeth Conference.

We are delighted to say that he has accepted our invitation, and will be coming to Little St Mary's on Monday, 7th July. We shall be entertaining him to tea in the Parish Room at 4.00pm to meet and talk to us, and this will be followed by Evensong in the church at 6.00pm.



We do hope that as many people as possible will take the opportunity to come and meet him.

The Diocese of Christ the King was founded in 1990 when the Diocese of Johannesburg was subdivided, and broadly covers the Vaal Triangle, stretching from the southern suburbs of the city to areas bounded by the Vaal River, including Vereeniging close to which Sharpeville is situated. With the rapid spread of poor urban areas, the population in the Diocese has doubled since 1990, and the number of congregations has increased from 24 to 40. Just over half have a recognisable church building, the rest meeting in garages, shacks or the open air.

One reason for the choice of name for the Diocese was to commemorate the famous ministry at the Church of Christ the King in Sophiatown, more particularly that of members of the Community of the Resurrection, including Bishop Trevor Huddleston.

Clive Brown, Overseas Church Links Group

A MEDIAEVAL DAY (ALMOST) – ELY PILGRIMAGE WALK

We approached Cambridge on 14th June via the Trumpington Gate first stopping briefly at St Mary the Less. Then to the Chapel of Magdalene College where with others, one Bill de Quick and Tony the Fletcher, we joined in prayers for our journey said by the Chaplain.

Fr Rigney led us through the College gardens and out to Chesterton Lane wishing us a good journey. Then through commons and along the river Cam where we met the Dean of King's College, preparing for the Bumps, more good wishes for our journey.

After Baits Bite Tony bade us farewell as he turned west for Milton. We saw fewer people now as we walked on but birds a plenty - kingfisher, owl, tern, oyster catcher among the more unusual. At Clayhithe we stopped for refreshment at the Bridge Inn.

Along the eastern riverbank into the fens there were herons, geese and ducks at every turn in the river. We passed the Lodes in turn and arrived ready for refreshment at Upware; beer from Suffolk, bread, cheese, fish and wild boar (burgers!) – quickly consumed.

The path led us away from the river down green lanes and past Commissioners' Pit, then through woodland and back to the river where the Cathedral was at last in sight. Another hour or more brought us to the South Door and just in time for tea in the refectory before Evensong. We sat in the choir, close to the site of the former shrine to St Etheldreda in the retro-choir, our journey finished.

Although I have edited out some of the 21st century it is still possible to walk 18 miles to Ely avoiding roads, at a natural pace, reflecting on our journey and arriving (pleasantly) physically tired but spiritually refreshed by the glory of God in nature. Thoroughly recommended!
Christopher Thorpe

FRIDAY LUNCH CHARITY

for July and August: CAMFED, supporting the education of girls and young women in several countries in Africa. CAMFED'S office is in our parish, in Mill Lane.

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SERVICES AT LITTLE ST MARY'S

Sundays

7.30am *Morning Prayer* 8.00am *Holy Communion*
10.30am *High Mass* 6.00pm *Solemn Evensong & Benediction*

Weekday Services

Monday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Tuesday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Wednesday

9.00am *Morning Prayer* 10.00am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Thursday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am & 6.30pm *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Friday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am & 12.30pm *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Saturday

8.00am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Festivals

7.00pm *Sung Mass*
Low Mass as announced

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Friday at Noon Saturday 6.30pm
or at other times by appointment

Coffee is served in the Parish Room after the 10.30am High Mass on Sundays and after the Low Mass on Wednesdays.

There is a Charity Lunch, min. £2.50, after the Low Mass on Fridays, supporting both home and overseas charities.

LSM Social group/ mailing list

To join: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LSMsocial/>

Mailing list only: blank email to:

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LSM website

www.lsm.org.uk

Deadline for **May** Newsletter : **Sunday 20th July**