

# St Bart's News – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

### FORTHCOMING SERVICES

<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
	10.00am	Sunday Club Celebration Service
	6.30pm	Evensong (BCP)
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
	10.00am	Holy Communion (with baptism)

### DIARY DATES

<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	7.45pm	Bellringing Practice
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	2.00pm	Warm Welcome (Church Centre)
	8.00pm	Choir Practice
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	12.30pm	Church Family BBQ (Vicarage Garden)
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	2.00pm	CAMEO Bible (17 Leonard Avenue)
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	7.45pm	Bellringing Practice
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	2.00pm	Warm Welcome (Church Centre)
	4.00pm	Wedding Rehearsal
	8.00pm	Choir Practice
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>	1.00pm	Wedding of Richard Vigis and Brittany Young

## NOTICEBOARD

### SERVICES IN CHURCH

Our **10.00am Sunday service** continues to be livestreamed as well as being in person. Access it via our YouTube channel [StBarts Otford](#) or [church website](#).

### LIVESTREAM

We are pleased to say that the new subtitle software is up and running. Huge thanks to Russell for all his research and hard work on this. Please be patient with the AV team as they get used to the way the new software works.

### THANKS

Our welcome and thanks to Revd Adie McCall for taking our Sunday and Wednesday communion services.

### PARISH PRAYERS

In our **cycle of prayer**, we pray for the residents of Well Road; and for the work of Pursue. We pray for those who are unwell, including Rosemary Hull, Gareth Tucker and Madelyn Roets. We remember the recently departed and in particular John Quenby and Barbara Till; we pray for those who mourn their passing. We also remember those whose anniversaries of death occur around this time.

### PARISH BBQ

Our annual Parish BBQ will take place in the vicarage garden on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July**. Arrival from 12.30pm to eat when the food is ready! Please sign up on the sheet in the church lobby or let the [church office](#) know if you will be coming. In both cases please indicate if you would like a vegetarian option. If your surname begins A-K please bring a salad, if L-Z please bring a dessert. Bring your own drinks and glasses.

### OFFICE OPENING

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am- 12noon.

## REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments are served in the Church Centre after our 10am service to which all are welcome. If you could help with serving coffee, please sign up on the new rota next to the serving hatch in the Church Centre, there are spaces to fill

## SUMMER FAIR

A huge thank you to everyone who helped, donated, bought or sold at our summer fair. The atmosphere was a happy one with much joy and laughter amidst the serious business of eating ice creams, burgers and cake and drinking tea, Pimms and beer. Our fair would not be the successful community event it is without everyone's hard work. In particular our special thanks to Mervyn Harris (Chair of the fair committee) who, in his unflappable style, took on the heaviest burden of pulling the fair together.

We are pleased to announce the gross profit on the day was £6861.66 which is over £519.95 more than last year.

## PRAYER BREAKFAST.

The next Prayer Breakfast will be on Sunday **25<sup>th</sup> August**.

## YOUTH WEEKEND – KENCH HILL

Our fun filled action packed youth weekend this year runs from 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> July. Leaflets and consent forms are available for youngsters aged 8 and over from our youth leaders, in the church centre or [online](#). Payment due now, please. Any questions please talk to Dawn, Mags, Russell or Claire.

## PURSUE QUIZ NIGHT

We are delighted that Harriet and Rich Bell (of Pursue) and their family will be back in the country this summer and will be coming to St Bart's to speak on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August, 10am. However, before that you can meet them and hear more of the work of Pursue at their popular quiz night. This will be on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July, 7.30pm in the church centre**. Quiz suitable for ages 11-111! Tables of six people or, come on the night and you can be added to a team. Tickets are £15 or **free** if you sign up for a monthly donation to Pursue! Tickets from [www.pursue.org.uk/quiz](http://www.pursue.org.uk/quiz) which includes one free drink and snacks. There will be a paying bar available. (Flier attached)

## FULL STEAM AHEAD

This is a holiday club for children aged 5-11 years to be held at Otford Methodist Church Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August, 9.45-12.30pm. Plenty of fun to be had: quizzes, puppets, games, crafts, refreshments and a daily drama. Places can be booked via the Methodist church website [here](#)

## OTFORD GARDEN SAFARI

Take a look at your garden this month – could you open it [next year](#) as part of our Otford Garden safari on 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> July? We are looking for gardens great and small to be part of our event, demonstrating the diverse horticultural talents of Otford residents. If you think you could give it a go, please contact Rod Shelton at [rodsshelton@gmail.com](mailto:rodsshelton@gmail.com)

## SALES TABLE

Don't miss out on the **card and mini gifts stall** in the church centre. If you have any used cards or new mini gifts you are willing to part with, we are sure we can make use of them. Many grateful thanks.

## LOAVES AND FISHES

**From our friends at Loaves&Fishes** - *We are appealing to you because your church is a regular donor to Sevenoaks (Loaves & Fishes) Foodbank and we are very grateful for your ongoing support during these financially challenging times.*

*For the last few months, we have seen a significant reduction of food donations and as a result, our stores are quite empty. Traditionally, we receive less during the summer months so we are not expecting to receive significant amounts until Harvest time in October.*

*Meanwhile, the number of our clients has not reduced and we are providing food for between 35 to 40 clients weekly which, due to the fact that many of our client have children, means in reality 120 to 160 people. Hence, without your support, we cannot sustain giving the quantity of food items we are normally providing for these families.*

***The items that we are in need of are tins of meatballs, hot dogs, chicken curry, sweetcorn, fruits and rice pudding. We are also low on pasta, biscuits, salt and pepper, soap, shower gel and sanitary towels.***

*Thank you very much for your help, Sevenoaks (loaves & fishes) Foodbank*

If you wish to find out more about Loaves and Fishes or contact them please do so at [www.sevenoaksfoodbank.co.uk](http://www.sevenoaksfoodbank.co.uk) or at [sevenoaksfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:sevenoaksfoodbank@gmail.com)

## PRAYER FOR THE VACANCY

Lord Jesus, we know you have plans for our parish, and we trust that those plans are good. Wise Holy Spirit, guide those who are seeking the right person to be our next incumbent, and those who are seeking the right next step in their ministry. Together may we discern your way for the future and be further equipped to grow. Amen

## READINGS *(numbers show page in pew Bibles of readings being used)*

**Sunday Morning Services:** Ezekiel 2:1-5 (Pg.831); 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13 (pg.1008) *(used at 8.00am/10.00am)*

**Evensong:** Jeremiah 20:1-11a; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

**BCP Communion:** Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 5:2-26 *(used on Wednesday morning)*

## HYMNS FOR SUNDAY MORNING

1. Lord I lift your name on high 2. Give thanks with a grateful heart 3. Light of the world; 4. Blessed be your name

## HYMNS FOR SUNDAY EVENING

1. Guide me, O thou great redeemer (NEH 368); 2. Rock of ages (NEH 445); 3. Glory in the highest (NEH 363); Psalm 48

## COLLECT

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## RESOURCES

### OUR SERVICES ONLINE

You can watch last week's service and catch up with other recent services here: <https://www.youtube.com/@stbartsotford1735/streams>

### CHURCH DONATION

You can make a **one-off donation** to the work of our church by visiting this site: <https://account.stewardship.org.uk/donation/oneoff/20293172>

## CONTACT LIST

Please contact the [Office](#) regarding baptisms, weddings, funerals or requests for home communions

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Please send any notices for inclusion to [st.bartholomews@otford.net](mailto:st.bartholomews@otford.net) by **TUESDAY EVENING at the latest**

With every blessing,

The Wardens and Ministry Team

## KEEPING ORDER



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