

NOTICES:

OFFERTORY If anyone wishes to give an offering and would like to use a card, rather than cash, we have a card reader in use today. There will be someone holding the card reader for you to use **after the service**.

WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING I would like to thank everyone who helped at or supported in any way the Macmillan coffee morning held on Friday 27th September. The total raised was an astonishing £1420. This could not happen without the wonderful work of the "Coffee Morning" team who give unstinting help each year. Edna Moore is especially grateful too, to everyone who provided cakes for her to help achieve over £500 as usual on the cake stall. It was good to see so many unfamiliar faces visiting and to be able to welcome them to our church, showing that it can still be a focal point for the parish. A huge thank you to St Mary's from Macmillan Cancer Support. Sheila Banks

HELP IS NEEDED URGENTLY! Please have a word with Jenny Hewitt if you could help with the Church Parish lunches on the third Sunday in each month.

SICK LIST today is the second, of two Sundays when you can put names onto this month's sick list. The list to receive names is on the Prayer Board. Please note, names are not carried forward automatically.

PCC MEETING on Monday, 7th October at 7.30pm at St Mary's, Eaton Bray.

WELCOME CLUB meets at All Saints' Dagnall Church **THIS Tuesday, 8th October**, 2pm-4pm. Drop in for a chat, a cuppa and cake. Play board games, toys for children and babies provided. Join us to 'knit and natter' or bring your own craft. All ages welcome. If you would like to come but require transport please phone Angela Dunford on 01525 221944 to arrange a lift.

HOLY COMMUNION 10.00am *Wednesday 9th October*.

ST MARY'S LADIES' GUILD meets this Wednesday, *9th October* at 2pm in Church. Eileen Bennett is going to talk about 'Flowers in Barbados'. New comers are always welcome to join us. Come and enjoy a relaxed afternoon - coffee/teas and cake afterwards.

EXPLORING THE BIBLE - our monthly group has a change of date this month and will meet on *Thursday 10th October* at 10.15am in the home of Diana Barry in Great Billington. Everyone will be made most welcome as we continue to explore the Gospel of Luke. Please call 01525 381273 for more information.

MUSIC @ ST MARY'S **THIS Saturday 12th October**; a concert, by Luton Choral Society starts at 7.30pm Tickets: £7.50, include refreshments and are available from 01525222283

NCG TALKING POINT 'Can we trust the Bible?' *Saturday 17th October*, here at St Mary's Eaton Bray; 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EATON BRAY with EDLESBOROUGH & ALL SAINTS, DAGNALL



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WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

6TH OCTOBER 2019

SERVICES TODAY

8.00am – Holy Communion

9.00am – Holy Communion at Dagnall

10.00am – Sung Holy Communion

HYMNS

604, 191, 434, 612

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

taken from New Standard Revised Version

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; OR 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15b;

2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

If you usually receive communion in a Christian, Church, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church. If you are not a communicant, please come to the altar rail for a blessing, carrying the service book with you.

COFFEE is served at the back of the church after the 10.00am service. Please stay and meet other members of our parish.

Vicar: Revd Joy Cousans (01525 220261)

Please note: Joy's day off is Friday. Please do not contact her on that day unless very urgent.

Churchwardens: Catherine Hayden (01525 220527)

Angela Dunford (01525 221944)

Notices for inclusion in next week's
Pew Leaflet should be sent to Marion at
mdhmsh@btinternet.com
or (01525 222478)
by 6pm on Thursday please.



COLLECT:

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.**

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4

A reading from the book of the prophet Habakkuk.

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you 'Violence!' and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous – therefore judgement comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watch-post, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

This is the word of the Lord. ***R: Thanks be to God***

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1–14

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God – whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did – when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to

us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

This is the word of the Lord. ***R: Thanks be to God***

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 17:5–10

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

R: Glory to you, O Lord

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you. Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. ***R: Praise to you, O Christ***

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

In our prayers for the Church this week, we pray for the Free Churches and in our own diocese, the Bishop's Harvest for the Hungry Appeal.

At their year's mind, we remember Simon Woodgate, Hilda Reeves, Anne Thompson, Richard Evans, Lily Croxford, Watson Bennet, May Watts and Adam Bodsworth.