

Sunday, 19th January 2020 - Epiphany 2

8 am Holy Communion, at **St Mary's** – Hazel O'Sullivan
10.45 am Family Communion – Brian Griffiths, Preacher – Hazel O'Sullivan

Before the start of the service it's good to prepare in quiet. Please talk to God in prayer at this time rather than to others, or perhaps look at the day's readings and hymns. After the service is the time for conversations with each other and we hope that you will stay then for a cup of tea or coffee.

Collect: Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymns	Readings	Bible	Large Print
636: The church's one foundation Faithful One, so unchanging	Isaiah 49: 1 – 7	592	1141
374: Just as I am			
658: There is a redeemer	John 1: 35 – 42	862	1658
752: Will you come and follow me?			

The Women's group will be meeting for a meal at Corza on Tuesday, 21st January at 7.30 pm. If you would like a seat at the table, please let Hazel or Kate Dyer know by Monday evening. There will also be a meeting on Wednesday, 11th March at 8 pm on Food, Nutrition and Wellbeing. Venue to be confirmed.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: In 2019 we worked with other churches in West Wickham for Good Friday, the West Wickham Village Day and The Turning. We will begin 2020 with shared prayer at the following meetings:-

Mon 20 th Jan at 9.30 am	in SJ's, 56, Croydon Road
Tues 21 st Jan at 8am	St Mary's Church, The Avenue
Weds 22 nd Jan at 9.30am	St Francis' Church, Ravenswood Avenue
Weds 22 nd at 2.15 pm	Emmanuel Church, The Grove
Thurs 23 rd Jan at 9am	St Francis' Church, Ravenswood Avenue
Thurs 23 rd Jan at 7.30 pm	West Wickham & Shirley Baptist Church, Wickham Road
Friday, 24 th Jan at 9 am	St Mary's Church, The Avenue
Friday, 24 th Jan at 9.30 am	Coney Hill Baptist Church, Coney Hill Road

We will also meet for a service of worship and prayer on Saturday 25th January at 10 am in Emmanuel Church, The Grove. Please do come to one or more of these meetings to strengthen our fellowship and consider what more we might do together in 2020.

Joan Groombridge's funeral service will be on Friday 7th February at 1.30pm in St Francis' Church.

Brian Griffiths would like to thank those who bought items for sale on his woodwork stall in December. £174.20 was raised and this will be split between St Francis Arts Festival, Bethlem Hospital and MIND. If you would like to see how the scrollsaw/fretwork and turned items are made, Brian will be demonstrating the crafts at the St Francis Arts Festival in July. Details of days

and times of the demonstrations will be in the Festival Programme to be published later in the Spring.

Donations to the Homeless and Refugees: Many thanks for all your kind donations to these worthy causes. To avoid confusion, could you please ensure that donations for the Homeless are placed inside the large plastic box at the back of the church or clearly marked or labelled 'Homeless'. All other donations left in bags at the back of the church will be assumed to be for the Croydon Refugee Day Centre. This will ensure that what you have donated goes to the right organisation. Please also note that items of bedding (other than sleeping bags) cannot be donated to the homeless. Men's clothing and toiletries are always needed. Items of women's clothing should be donated to the Refugees. Many thanks once again for your generosity. (Brian Griffiths)

Joint services: There are take home sheets of dates and venues for 2020 at the back of St Francis' Church and in the vestibule at St Mary's Church.

Used stamps: There is a box at the back of church for used stamps. I am collecting them to take to Ben Curtis as they collect them for the Leprosy Mission. Thank you. Barbara Goodchild

Reading: If you would like to read one of the lessons on a Sunday in January, February or March, please print your name on the list at the back of Church. Thank you, Joan Burford.

Prayer Ministry. If you come with any concerns about your health or have any other needs for which you would like prayer, do speak to one of the ministry team after the service and they would be pleased to pray with you. (Hazel, Richard, John, Rowena, Brian and Lesley).

Church Flowers: We are a small group who put together the flowers in the church each week as well as the displays for Christmas, Easter and St Francis Patronal Festival and Harvest. We would welcome others who would like to join or help occasionally and if you are interested please talk to Nicky Nightingale.

Pew sheet: Items for the pew sheet by Wednesday morning please: elizabeth_bligh@hotmail.com

Hazel's day off is Monday

Monday – Saturday	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – see above for details.
Tuesday	8 am Morning Prayer at St Mary's
Wednesday	9.30 am Morning Prayer 10.45 am Holy Communion
Thursday	9 am Morning Prayer
Friday	9 am Morning Prayer at St Mary's 10 am – 12 noon – Place of Welcome
Saturday	9 am Quiet Hour 10.30 – 11.30 Action Aid Coffee Morning

Sunday, 26th January 2020 - Epiphany 2

8 am Holy Communion – Richard Ford
10 am Joint Service at **St Mary's** – Richard Ford, Preacher – Hazel O'Sullivan
3 pm Healing Service – Lesley East, Preacher – Rowena Griffiths