

World Celebration Days

We've just celebrated World Chocolate day and now it's World Ice Cream day today!

Celebrated on the third Sunday of July, National Ice Cream Day originated in 1984 as Ice Cream Month. The 31-day nod to the popular treat came by way of a joint resolution in Congress. President Ronald Reagan signed the holiday into law by proclamation in 1984.

The proclamation (No. 5219) declared ice cream "a nutritious and wholesome food, enjoyed by over 90 percent of the people in the United States. It enjoys a reputation as the perfect dessert and snack food."

The Scoop on Ice Cream History

The Persian Empire was known to put snow in a bowl, pour concentrated grape juice over it, and eat it as a treat thousands of years ago. They would climb to mountain tops and harvest the snow from their peaks in the summertime. They would then keep the snow in underground chambers, known as a yachal, to keep it cold from the earth.

Around 697 AD, the Chinese in the Tang Dynasty took to freezing dairy with salt and ice. Although the invention of ice cream dates thousands of years back, many culinary businesses give credit to Antonio Latini from Naples, Italy, who created a milk-based sorbet in the 17th century.

In the U.S., the first ice cream shops were opened by the Quaker Colonists, who brought their ice recipes with them to the new world.

Ben Franklin, George Washington, and Thomas Jefferson were among those who enjoyed the treat. It is known that in 1813, First Lady Dolley Maddison served ice cream at the Inaugural Ball.

DIARY

We welcome enquiries about Baptism, Thanksgiving for Birth, Confirmation, Weddings, Marriage Blessings, Anniversaries, Memorials, Commemorations, House Blessings, and Special Celebrations.

Wednesday 24 July

9.30am Cleaning in Church (a fit in as we were very low on numbers of cleaners and couldn't clean last Wednesday)

Newsletter takes a Summer Break an August Edition will be produced for 4th August

28 July Ninth Sunday after Trinity

10:30 am Holy Communion
(Father Gerard Mee)

Wednesday 31 July

9.30am Cleaning in church (back to norma)
2-4pm Craft & Chat

Saturday 3rd August

2.00pm Churchyard Workparty

4 August Tenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion
(Canon Angela Townshend)

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Monday 5 August

8.00pm PCC meet in the Church Room

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NEWS AT ST. MARY'S

Sunday 21st July 2024
Eighth Sunday after Trinity
Rev'd Clive Kirk

SERVICES

10.30am Holy Communion

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection,
both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

NEWS

SUNDAY CLUB AND YAC:

Sunday Club and YAC meetings will resume in September. If your family has a child aged 3 – 12 years old who is interested in joining Sunday Club or a young person in School Year 7 or above who is interested in joining YAC, please get in touch.

sundayclub@sendparishchurch.co.uk
yac@sendparishchurch.co.uk

MOTHERS UNION - SAVE THE DATE

Send Mother's Union is holding a Bring and Buy event on Monday, August 12th from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM in the church rooms. Please join us in supporting the Send MU by bringing some items to donate and purchasing others. There will also be Coffee and Cake served all morning. All the money raised will be divided between Send MU to fund future projects and the Summer of Hope. "This Summer of Hope, we have a fantastic opportunity to build on years of wonderful work that's transforming the lives of women and girls in sub-Saharan Africa. Literacy and numeracy are vital life skills for all of us. In the Democratic Republic of Congo, your faithful support is already empowering women to release themselves from the cycle of poverty. **Rachel & Helen**

COFFEE SHOP

Another busy and enjoyable morning at the Coffee Shop, and many thanks for all the items for the stalls. The event raised £197.10 for Crohn's & Colitis UK.

Next month the Coffee Shop will be on 19 August and the stall will be an Orange & Yellow Tombola. Any items for the stall can be given to any of the Coffee Shop Team at church, or brought along on the day. The proceeds will go to the Air Ambulance which covers Kent, Surrey and Sussex.

Air Ambulance Kent Surrey Sussex is our local air ambulance charity where they save lives when every second counts. They are a team of skilled,

sector-leading experts responding to over 3,300 incidents annually across Kent, Surrey and Sussex. They can reach any location within 30 minutes. Their helicopters are flying emergency rooms, bringing specialised doctors, paramedics and treatment to those who need it most. From open heart surgery to emergency anaesthesia they don't stop – 24/7, 365 days a year. Our support fuels their lifesaving efforts. Without our support they can't keep flying. Without our support, they can't save lives.

KOROGOCHO – NEWS ON SITUATION

A peaceful demonstration against the government by students in Nairobi was infiltrated by criminals who turned violent, resulting in the police shooting randomly and killing many youths from Korogocho. Crop failure due to El Nino recently has meant food prices rocketing and with funeral costs for those killed in the uprising VPM are in urgent need of funds. It would be good to send a donation to ease their situation and envelopes marked VPM or Kenya placed in the jar will be forwarded as soon as possible. Thank you. **Kate**

FAVOURITE HYMN

Thank you to all those who have chosen hymns. They will be sung during the first three weeks of August. If you need to know which week then do email me at - lynrryan@gmail.com Lyn Ryan

SATURDAY CHURCHYARD WORK PARTIES

Are you someone who cannot make a Tuesday but would love to help on some Saturday afternoons from 2.00pm? Please make a note of following dates: **20th July**, 3rd August, 24th August, 31st August.

We have a large bramble patch to clear but need individuals steady on their feet as a very uneven location; people to trim as we begin to clear summer grasses and flowers for next year and help with general tidying of the outer reaches of the churchyard. Please note we are planning the felling

of a potentially unsafe fir behind the church on Monday 22nd July.

FRESH FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

Do you have a special date in 2024 that you wish to celebrate in fresh flowers, or would you simply like to sponsor fresh flowers? The Flower Team would be delighted to arrange your flowers either at the altar, candle ring, vase or porch for any Sunday Service. Your donation will depend on the cost of flowers at the time they are purchased and payment would be either cash, a cheque or payment through the 'just giving' link on St. Mary's website. Full details will be discussed when a date is booked. As a guide pedestal flowers are the most costly around £70, but other arrangements like vases or candle rings or something for the porch are more modestly priced or you could simply pick a bunch of flowers and foliage from your garden and bring them down. If you have a date you wish to commemorate in this way please speak with Linda Mumford 01483 225425 or email news@sendparishchurch.co.uk

FOODBANK – JULY REQUESTS

Instant noodles, pasta sauce, tinned; meat, fish, vegetables, tomatoes, fruit, and spaghetti, custard, jam, long life juice, long life milk, squash, tea, nappies size 5&6, feminine hygiene, razors, deodorant, shaving foam, toothpaste, toothbrush, antibacterial spray, washing up liquid, liquid soap and dog food. However, really anything you donate is appreciated.

To enable the foodbank to purchase directly any items in short supply. One-off or recurring payments can be made with Gift Aid as applicable: <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/13202>. Thank you.

SUMMER BREAK

The newsletter will take a Summer Break from this week. With holidays we are a little light on news and your Editor is away next Sunday. Instead the first August Newsletter will contain items that cover the month. So, if you have anything you wish to advertise please let me have the information before 1st August. **Linda M**