

The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe

For the sake of others please do not attend if you have any symptoms of Covid19 or other respiratory illnesses.

Welcome to our Services

Refreshments are available and we invite you to stay and enjoy meeting others before you go home.

Sunday 21st April – Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.30am Downe 11.00am Cudham Holy Communion Morning Worship and Sunday Club Readings: Acts 4: 5-12; John 10: 11-18 Rev John to lead and preach at both services

Banns to be read for Charlotte Hussey and Jim Kean

Downe's service will be livestreamed at https://www.youtube.com/pcdchurches



Fourth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Tuesdays 23rd and 30th April

10.00am Downe Service of the Word at St Mary's – *quiet and reflective services*

Sunday 28th April – Fifth Sunday of Easter

 NB: No morning service at Downe
11.00am Cudham Holy Communion and Sunday Club Readings: Acts 8:26-40; John 15:1-8 Rev Nigel Poole to lead and preach
Banns to be read for Charlotte Hussey and Jim Kean
2.00pm Downe May Queen Service Kim to lead

Sunday 12th May

10.30am Downe United Holy Communion Service, followed by **APCM** – All welcome, please do join us.

Cudham and Downe Electoral Rolls – revisions of the rolls will begin shortly in readiness for our United Annual Meeting on the above date. If you are baptized, live in the parish of Cudham and Downe or worship with us in person or online, and are not on the electoral roll we would like to encourage you to join. Please ask Barbara (Cudham) or Chris (Downe) for an application form.

We wish Daniel Harris every success in running the London Marathon today. Daniel is raising funds for the NSPCC, a charity he is passionate about. If you would like to donate please go to -<u>https://2024tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/daniel-harris?</u>

Cudham Lane North continues to be closed in the coming weeks due to gas pipes being replaced, and there is a signed diversion in place via Rushmore Hill. We have been informed these works are on schedule.

Thanks to all those who responded to our **day of prayer and gifts** recently – it's not too late to make a donation or respond with how God might be calling you to share your gift in church.

Meditation Group - Christian Meditation will take place on Thursday 2nd May at 10.00am in St Mary's. We look forward to seeing you. The group follow the method taught by John Main, an English Benedictine monk <u>https://www.wccm.uk</u>

Ladies Fellowship – will be meeting at 10am on Tuesday 23rd April at Elizabeth's, Cudham. Please contact Barbara at <u>barbiesherb@aol.com</u> for more details.

Home Group – Our weekly homegroup will be moving to Monday afternoons at 2pm starting on 13th May when we shall be resuming our study on Pete Greig's lectio divina course. All welcome to this time of study and fellowship.

Saturday 11th May - Organ Concert by David Poulter

(formerly Director of Music at Coventry, Chester and Liverpool Anglican Cathedrals), at Church of St Mary the Virgin, St Mary's Platt, TN15 8NE. This fundraising concert is sponsored by The Friends of Kent Churches. To book please use the link on St Mary's website www.stmarysplattchurch.org.uk

An evening of fun and gentle humour with Adrian Plass on Thursday 30th May, 7.30pm – 9.30pm at Christ Church Orpington, Charterhouse Road, BR6 9EP. £10.00 per ticket available via Christ Church Orpington and other participating churches. Concessions are available to anyone who would like one. For more details please contact: ccorpington@talktalk.net Tel: 01689 871601.



PRAYER 'Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always' 1 Chronicles 16:11.

Let us keep praying for one another and our families in our congregations, as well as our parishioners in both parishes. This week can we pray for Sarah Santry (Cudham) and Alexandra Sedighi (Downe). Please also pray for our residents in the following streets - Luxted Road (Downe) and Silverstead Lane (Cudham).

Prayer points for this week:

- For the King and the Princess of Wales in their recovery from cancer.
- For Anna Chaplains in their spiritual care of older people.
- For young people sitting their GCSE and A-level exams.
- For Kim and John taking Collective Worship at Cudham and Downe Primary Schools this Tuesday and Thursday.
- ✤ For the May Queen service and celebrations in Downe, next Sunday.
- ✤ For peace in the Middle East and the release of those held hostage.
- For those on the brink of starvation in war-torn lands.
- For the people of Ukraine and the resolve of those fighting on the frontline.

Please pray for the families of Stanley Robinson and Dennis Robinson whose ashes will be interred at 12.30pm on Sunday 21st April in the churchyard, High Elms Road, Downe.

Prayer chain – please contact Rev John Musson if you have any prayer needs or requests. Email <u>vicar@pcd.org.uk</u> or tel: 07504 827929.

Pastoral Needs – our pastoral team is here to help, whether it's just for a chat or something that is troubling you. Why not give them a call on 07504 827929 or email pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk to arrange a visit or chat over the phone. We are here for you.



A huge thank you to those who help in anyway with our church services in Cudham and Downe, by reading God's word, leading intercessions, stewarding, playing music, operating the AV system, helping with administering communion or helping with the children's Sunday Club. If you sense God is calling you to assist in any of these volunteering roles we encourage you to let

Vicar John, the Churchwardens - Chris (at Downe), Diane or Mike (at Cudham) know. Full training and support will be given.

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If you have anything you would like included in our weekly notice sheet please email any contributions by Wednesday evenings to <u>admin@pcd.org.uk</u>