

WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM OUR VICAR, ALEX – 1st JUNE 2022

Dear Church Family Members and Parish Friends,

I hope very much this email finds you well.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to another wonderful foodbank collection last week (photo attached).

As part of this email I also attach an overview of some of the key events happening in the parish for June, July and August. Please do take a look and put them in your diaries - more information will follow in due course.

In addition to these dates, I would like to draw your attention to some information on the following:

1. Our Jubilee Celebration Service, followed by cake and lunch on Sunday 5th June
2. The approaching arrival of David, our Curate, and Margaret, his wife
3. The B5 pantomime

Love and prayers,
Alex

1. **Our Jubilee Celebration Service, followed by cake and lunch on Sunday 5th June**

This Sunday (5th June), instead of having our usual services at 9 am and 11 am, we will have one whole parish service at 10 am, which will be at St. Paul's.

This will be followed by cake and hot drinks in church straight after the service and then a 'bring and share lunch' for anyone who would like to attend after this, which will also be in St. Paul's. (Previously I had said we would move through to the hall, but a few of you have kindly helped me think through the logistics now - and it will be most simple to stay in the church!)

A few of you have said you would like to bake cakes for after the service - if you'd like to bake something as well, please could you let me know so we have an idea how many cakes and treats to expect? (We have to offer a list of ingredients, to have available for anyone with allergies, so please also provide this if you can) NO NUTS PLEASE.

For the bring and share lunch, to keep it simple, please bring enough for yourself to eat and some to share with those on your table around you (NO NUTS PLEASE) - just in case anyone comes on the day who does not have any food with them, who would like to stay.

2. The approaching arrival of David, our Curate, and Margaret, his wife

It is getting very near to the time when our new Curate, David and his wife, Margaret will be coming to join us in the parish.

They will be moving in mid-June, officially starting in the parish on Monday 4th July.

Once they have arrived, later in June, they will need time to themselves to set up their new home and get settled, so we will officially welcome them in July. I ask, please, that we give them some space until this time. However, it would be wonderful to provide a hamper/ collection of food goods and cards to welcome them when they arrive.

If you would like to contribute an item or card to go in the whole-parish collection of items to welcome them, please can you either bring contributions to church this Sunday (5th June) or on Sunday 12th June or deliver them to the Vicarage porch, stating clearly that they are for David and Margaret (so we don't get confused with food bank items).

They are both so excited to be joining us. Please do hold them in your prayers at this time.

3. The B5 pantomime

Please see the following notice about the auditions for the next B5 pantomime:

After the stunning success of the Pilgrim Pantomime's 'Jack and the Beanstalk' in January, the Company is now preparing for its second production after COVID and 32nd overall.

Auditions will be at the URC Woodmansterne Lane on 6th and 13th July at 7.30pm

These are very relaxed and friendly so if you are a young person interested in acting singing, dancing, working backstage, doing make up or helping in any way then we need you in our team!

Year 4s to 7s can join the junior dance team and Year 8s to 13s plus for the senior cast and chorus.

All are welcome even if your school days are behind you. No experience necessary but fun is guaranteed!

To express your interest you/your parent or guardian can email Beverley at pilgrimpanto.banstead@gmail.com

The Pilgrim Pantomime Committee

Love and prayers

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