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Spring
blossoms in
our garden.
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Honesty
God is not
in 'lock-down'.



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A notice about our offerings to God.

Many of us use the facility of the offering plate to give our gifts to God. As the church is closed for the moment it may be a good time to think about a standing order to the church so that we are still bringing our gift. Many of us are doing this already – Thank you, but those who may be wondering how they can continue their giving through Standing Order the details of the church bank are here:

St. Leonard's church: Barclays Bank Sort code: **20.54.30** A/c No. **80825107**
Made payable to: Southminster Parochial Church Council.

St. Lawrence & All Saints church: Barclays Bank Sort code: **20.54.30**
A/c No. **60842494** Made payable to Steeple Parochial Church Council.

May God bless our gifts to Him.

Reflection

Nothing can separate us from His love: Romans 8: 38
Good News version.

During this isolation period I have had a few ‘funnies’ sent through to help our mental wellbeing and make us laugh. One that was sent was of two police officers standing outside the empty tomb with the caption “There is one man we cannot keep inside!” which the reminded me of the verse in Romans 8 38 – 39

For I am convinced that neither death nor life,
neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor
the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation, will be able
to *separate* us from the love of God that is in Christ
Jesus our Lord.

Such is the love of God that He sent His Son to live among us and show us that love, demonstrate that love, and live a life of love that included everyone. No-one has been left out from the love of God, it is given in equal measure to everyone. There is *nothing that can separate* us from the love of Christ.

As we are unable to meet with each other, we are still ‘bound’ in the love of God and fellowship with Him and through Him; and we are finding new ways of communicating that bond of love with each other. We have a wonderful Facebook page, a WhatsApp group, text-messaging, YouTube and Zoom meetings. The last of these has been a new experience for me, I had heard of Facetime and Team meetings but not the media platform called Zoom, which I am finding is really great.

All of these forums have increased exponentially in the last two months. Zoom had nearly two million 'members' last year and in March this year two million more joined, as many in one month as in the last twelve! Such has been the measures needed to keep industry going, and people connected both for work, and socially. The major benefit is that these platforms are being used for good purpose, for the way that they have been intended; Facebook now has more prayers on it than ever before.

God's word and God's love is being shown through the posts that people make to each other. How wonderful to see and read what God wants to do among us, that of being together in a new way breaking through the barrier of isolation, coming into our front rooms.

Jesus is not isolated from us, but is with us bringing into our upper room the Peace of His presence. Resurrection has happened not just in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ but in His body the church, bringing every part together to work as one body, serving each other and appreciating the gift that each bring.

Resurrection occurs in our prayer life too, bringing to life new ways to pray and new concern and love. Resurrection has happened in daily prayer, whether joining in online or drawing resources from other media, t.v. or radio, transforming the way that we worship. There are new songs to sing to our glorious Saviour, to be joined in with or learnt to sing later.

The church of God is rising up to new and greater things with God, finding Him in different ways and appreciating Him for being there with us.

Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. As we dwell on those wonderful words from the book of Romans let us be thankful for the new life that has been freely given to us, His church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

He is risen! He is risen indeed Hallelujah!!

Peter

Southminster and Steeple : May Worship

During the current Coronavirus crisis we are endeavouring to find ways to communicate the good news of Jesus to the benefice as well as to residents of these two parishes. We are using Facebook on a daily basis and if you have access to Facebook you will find us at "St. Leonards Together Apart".

Alternatively, we have a WhatsApp group titled "Together apart Our church". Hopefully if you are on email you will receive each week an email from the vicarage outlining the Sunday service with links to some songs and a sermon. If you know someone who is having difficulty in accessing these media forums, please ask them to call me and I will try to help.

Peter

Is God a Mechanic?

The Bible tells us that God is all things to all men (1 Cor 9 v 22) And so why on earth did I come up with this analogy of Him being a mechanic?

Most nights one of my near neighbours parks his works van on the road outside my house. He works for a car parts company and his van advertises that his company: Supplies Bodyshop Sales and Support and collision repairs, and boasts of being the definitive source for accident and repair parts. When I started to think about motor vehicles and engines, I saw the connection between them and us humans!



The engine of a vehicle is made up of many parts each part is needed to drive the rest, working together in harmony. Our human bodies are also made up of many parts all needed by each other. God's word says in Psalm 139 v 13 -14 "For You created my inmost being, You knit me together in my mother's womb, I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Thank God he gave us the technology and wisdom to be creative too, especially for providing our much needed transport.

We know that an engine needs oil, water, petrol, diesel, electricity, a battery, and most importantly a fuel pump. Sound familiar? We too need water to live, we need a heart (fuel pump) to pump blood around our body and a vehicle's software is the brain.

Fuel is car’s energy as food is ours and we too have to be careful to put in the right fuel! Our joints are well oiled by exercise and so the similarities go on!

We can look at so many similarities of us being compared to a motor engine including the fact that we also need MOT’s occasionally to make sure we’re running right! One great thing is we can also be recipients of spare parts by the generous gift of organs from others.



The most important part of learning how to take care of a motor engine is the instruction manual. Learning how to take care of ourselves in body, mind and Spirit is God’s instruction manual the Bible, the manual of life. Just as a motor needs power to move we need the power of the Holy Spirit to move us along with God who is the definitive source for every part of our well-being.

Brenda Sheppard

As usual, we shall pray for the different areas of Southminster which are covered on a six-week rota (see 5 below).

PRAY FOR SOUTHMINTER:

w/b	3 May	Central - West
w/b	10 May	North - East
w/b	17 May	Central - North - West
w/b	24 May	Central - East
w/b	31 May	Central - South



Farewell Message from Bishop Stephen

"Easter, and perhaps especially Eastertide through to the feast of Pentecost, is always a season of departures and arrivals. The desolation of Good Friday seems to be about Jesus leaving us. Easter day is about surprising arrival. The feast of the Ascension, though a great triumph, also has Jesus departing into heaven. The great feast of Pentecost, with which Eastertide concludes, is the arrival of the Holy Spirit whereby Jesus is with us in a new and unconstrained way, equally available to everyone. As I write this, I am feeling the pull of arrivals and departures rather keenly. It isn't going to be easy leaving the Chelmsford diocese. I have loved being your bishop. Essex is the county I grew up in. It will always be home, and I have been privileged to serve as bishop at such exciting times - not just the Olympic Games coming to the diocese in 2012, nor even our glorious centenary celebrations in 2014 where both the Queen one week and the Archbishop of Canterbury the next visited the diocese, but the drive, faithfulness and creativity that has been put into trying to reshape the church for mission. Our vision is that the Church might be a transforming presence, better able to serve the communities of East London and Essex, and demonstrating the love of Christ by our witness and service. Serving as Bishop of Chelmsford at such a time has been a huge privilege. Saying goodbye is going to be hard.

"However the coronavirus epidemic that we are living through makes that goodbye even harder. I don't just mean the personal sadness that all my farewell events have had to be cancelled, but the uncertainty that all of us are feeling. This doesn't feel like a good time for the captain to be leaving the bridge.

"But the diocese is in good hands. Until a new diocesan bishop is appointed later this year, Bishop Peter will take my

place. Our bishops, archdeacons and diocesan staff are doing a brilliant job. There is lots of help and advice available on our website.

"And perhaps the other things to say, is that the uncertainty and fearfulness we feel at the moment are the very things that Mary Magdalene felt when she went, on her own, self-isolated, to the tomb on the first Easter morning. Even though she didn't recognise him, Jesus spoke to her sadness, asking her why she was weeping; and re-directed her life, asking her who she was looking for; and then, in speaking her name, assured her that in the midst of fear and uncertainty God was with her.

"As I say goodbye to this diocese and as I prepare myself for challenging new adventures, I am aware that this is always the pattern of the gospel. God is always with us in our troubles, but God is also leading us on. "Do not cling to me." says Jesus to Mary, (John 20.17). Which I suppose also means for us: don't expect to ever have all the answers; don't imagine you can control or constrain me or even completely understand me. My right time is rarely your right time. There is always more.



"May God bless you this Easter with a new knowledge of his love for you and his purpose for your life. And may God lead us through this time of isolation and waiting to new adventures and to resurrection life."

We all in Southminster and Steeple will miss Bishop Stephen because he has been so inspiring over the years. We pray for him in his new role as Archbishop of York.

Flower Arrangements Planned

Memorial Scroll (as at early March)

- Rati - remembered by Gwyneth Iffland.
- Beryl Hammond, Bernard Hammond, Frank Morris,
Queenie Morris, Jim Morris and Audrey Dean -
remembered by Pam Morris.
- Peter Hall - remembered by Marian Hall.
- Tom & Irene Dixon, David Dixon, Thomas & Margaret Dixon -
remembered by Fiona Begley.
- Hazel Begley, Richard Begley -
remembered by Peter Begley.
- Mary Olive Reeder, Olive May Southerland, Win Downie -
remembered by Susan Moore.
- George Woolnough, Paul Woolnough, Ron Baker -
remembered by Brenda Woolnough.
- Selina Luck, Sidney Luck, Joseph Payne, Florence Payne,
Heather Colkett -
remembered by Linda & Harry Payne.
- Maureen Vaughan - remembered by Dawn Martin.
- Caroline Adams- remembered by Rosemary Cooper.
- Richard Carnell, Doris & Walter Burgess, Nadine Smith -
remembered by Kathy Carnell.
- Anthony Nicholson - remembered by Sheila Nicholson.
- Fred Brown - remembered by Fred Brown his son.
- Baby James Kehoe - remembered by the Kehoe family.
- Rodney Fenwick, Susan Roper, Clifford Hampshaw -
remembered by Janet Fenwick.

POSSIBLE ROTA DETAILS: YOUR AVAILABILITY FOR 2 MONTHS

We don't know when we shall be able to start worshipping in church again, but, in order to be well-prepared, please let Paul Lucas know if you cannot be available on any of the following dates.

July 2020	5	12	19	26	
August 2020	2	9	16	23	30

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO FULFIL YOUR DUTY YOU SHOULD CHANGE WITH SOMEONE AND INFORM THE WARDENS OF THE ARRANGEMENT.

Kathy Pegg writes

Easter flowers were not available this year as the flower wholesalers had advised me that they would not be able to get our pre-ordered Easter lilies and flowers due to travel restrictions for their Dutch suppliers.

The church was to be closed from about 3 weeks before Easter too. However, when the lockdown restrictions ease and our church building re-opens, we will be able to have a service of remembrance and thanksgiving. People will have the opportunity to complete the sponsorship form and make donations so that an updated Memorial Scroll can be displayed at St Leonard's church and the building will be decorated with an abundance of floral displays!

The initial Memorial Scroll details are here on page 10. Thank you all for sponsoring the flowers early as usual.



Because of the directive from the UK Government and the Archbishops, on 23rd March, concerning the Coronavirus pandemic, churches will be closed for any public meetings until further notice.

Some details of the services which will happen on-line during May are listed below, so please use them so that we can all be involved in worship together, from home, at this very difficult time. The set readings and the special prayer (the collect) of the day are shown. These details apply not only to Southminster but also to Steeple.

Further information is available on page 5.

Sunday 3rd May

Acts 2 : 42 - end

John 10 : 1 - 10

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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 10th May

Acts 7 : 55 - end

John 14 : 1 - 14

Risen Christ, your wounds declare you love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 17th May

Acts 17 : 22 - 31

John 14 : 15 - 21

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love to the glory of God the Father.

Sixth Sunday of Easter**Thursday 21st May**

Acts 1 : 1 - 11

Luke 24 : 44 - end

Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven: help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory now and for ever.

Ascension Day**Sunday 24th May**

Acts 1 : 6 - 14

John 17 : 1 - 11

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with your power and compassion that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

Seventh Sunday of Easter**Sunday 31st May**

Acts 2 : 1 - 21

John 7 : 37 - 39

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Whit Sunday: Pentecost

Bradwell-Tillingham-Dengie and St Lawrence Church Services

If our Churches are still closed for public worship our church services will be 'Joint Benefice Services' and will be online at;

<https://e-voice.org.uk/bradwellchurch/sunday-services/>

If restrictions are removed and public worship is permitted please see <https://e-voice.org.uk/bradwellchurch/> for church services and times for Bradwell, Tillingham, St Lawrence and Dengie.

This website has been adapted to cover all the churches in Bradwell, Tillingham, St Lawrence and Dengie over this coronavirus pandemic period.

We need to pray for all the other church members in our neighbouring parishes e.g. *Creeksea, Mayland, Burnham, Latchingdon, Althorne, Stow Maries, Cold Norton, North Fambridge*, especially *those who have no incumbent at the present time*.

Southminster Community also needs our prayers

Southminster Primary School; Pre-School;
Hillside Nursery; Parish Council; Medical Centre;
Residential Homes' staff and residents;
ChristChurch members; Dengie Food Pantry;
Memorial Hall Committee and groups who meet there;
Women's Institute; Chatterbox; Wishing Well Club;
Community Lunch Club; FOSCOS
and all key workers on whom we depend in so many ways.

ST. LEONARD'S **NORMAL** REGULAR MIDWEEK EVENTS

At this difficult time we pray for all who are usually involved in these activities, both leaders and general participants.

The **Music Group** meets in church on Fridays at 7.45 pm & occasional Wednesdays. See weekly bulletins for details.

Bellringers meet occasionally in the tower but we don't have our own regular team now.

Henry Club - Church Cleaning Team - meets twice a month at 9.15 am (normally on Fridays)

CHURCH GROUNDS WORKING PARTY

Details of these will be in the weekly notices.

Midweek Morning Prayer services (Mon., Wed. and Fri.)

8:00 am (about half an hour) in the chapel.

Tuesdays 8.30 am "Just Prayer" also in the chapel.

HOME GROUPS

Normally they are Mondays at 10 am and Thursdays at 7.45 pm for 8 pm

ALPHA FOLLOW-ON

Groups usually meet at the Vicarage on Tuesdays at 7.30 pm

Check details on weekly bulletins.

Young people and children are always welcome, especially at 10.45 services, and Families are encouraged to attend the monthly **FAMILY CELEBRATION SERVICES**

Messy Church is once a month on Mondays.

Obviously our Parochial Church Council should meet bi-monthly and the recent Annual Meeting which had to be postponed will need prayers for its eventual happening.

The Pillingers' Update

March 2020

**Wycliffe
Bible
Translators**

The Covid-19 virus is now taking hold in South Africa, and as a result the government has taken some decisive actions. Right now the country is in a three-week lockdown until April 16th. No one except those in essential services can leave their homes except for shopping, unavoidable visits to the doctor, etc.

We ourselves have been in touch with our supervisors to discuss our own situation, and had already begun isolation as far as was possible before it was made official. We can only say that we find ourselves in a fortunate position: Johanna's health has been very good recently, Steve is also in good health and so is our daughter Jen, who lives in our garden flat.

As far as our work is concerned:

Steve has already been set up for several years to do all his work from home. He is currently typesetting Scripture portions for languages in Tanzania. So, business as usual!

Johanna is continuing with her art course at home, receiving lessons online, in anticipation of doing promotional art work later this year for Wycliffe SA.

Jen is working on online photography tutorials, paintings to sell, and uploading stock photos, to continue receiving some income.

We have good medical insurance through Wycliffe, which gives us access to excellent private medical care here, should the need arise.

Our greatest concern is for the many people in the townships out here—working people’s suburbs—where the risk of infection spreading is so much greater. So far this has not happened. We pray for God’s protection for those living in townships, several of whom we know personally, and are exploring ways to help the most needy through reliable channels.

May each of you know His loving presence as you face your own specific challenges in these uncertain times.

Peace and grace to you all,

*Steve and Johanna
Wycliffe Bible Translators*

**Christian Aid Week will be
from 10th to 16th May.**



We normally hold fund-raising events in cooperation with Christ Church URC and with the Memorial Hall. We did have some possible plans in mind but obviously they have had to be cancelled.

However, our fundraising is still necessary and we hope that as people are more technological nowadays this can be carried out on line. There is full information on their web site. Also see the letter from Christian Aid Chief executive on page 22 and then please make your donations on line. If you are not able to do that but would like to give money, please use our Church accounts but label the donation clearly that it is for Christian Aid.

It's The Little Things....

It's Easter Sunday as I write this and like lots of others I find it hard not to be seeing any of my family at this time. Showing them pictures of Easter gifts on WhatsApp isn't quite the same! But we have to look at the bigger picture and we all know that this isolation is necessary in order for us to stay safe. In the scheme of things it's not a big deal not to be with those we love at this time – or any time in the foreseeable future - because we have other ways of keeping in touch. Most of us have modern technology but even those who don't use it will be able to talk on a landline phone and/or write a letter.

Far worse are the experiences of those who are very ill with this horrible virus or who have lost loved ones to it; worse are the worry and despair of those whose jobs have disappeared, or who live far from a frail relative they would normally visit, such as somebody in care.

Sometimes it's hard putting things into perspective and I think we have to try not to let a "little" thing become a "big" thing and ruin our day. Can't get your favourite brand of something in the supermarket? Does it really matter to get a different brand for once? Can't get an online slot to a bigger supermarket? Does it really matter when you can get the essentials locally? The shock of this sudden "lockdown" did make it difficult to get things straight in our minds but now, nearly 3 weeks in, I hope that you, like me, are getting used to getting the priorities right. If we're safe and well, have enough to eat, and can keep in touch *somehow* with those we are fond of, then everything else will fall into place.

Similarly, despite some criticism, given that we live in these - quote: “Unprecedented times” - unquote – in my humble opinion, for what it’s worth, I think those we have voted to govern us are doing their level best to keep us safe and well. We can’t expect mistakes never to be made, but on the whole, things are working out as long as we do as we are asked.

The ever-changing rules are the BIG things in our lives at the moment...but there are hundreds of little things that are going on, GOOD things that make our lives much more bearable than they would otherwise be. Have you noticed how NICE people are to each other at the moment? When out on your allowed “exercise” walk, everybody is friendly, whilst keeping at the requisite distance, smiling and cheerful – even though we are all wishing this to be over at the very first safe opportunity. People are looking out for each other, doing small and big favours for friends and neighbours, and younger members of families are caring for parents and grandparents in a way they’ve never had to before. Consider the number of people who volunteered to help the vulnerable – thousands and thousands.

So I think that while we mustn’t let the little “bad” things become too big, we can happily let the little “small” things grow and multiply, and remember them, and try to keep them up long after this crisis is over.

Chris Martin

Editor’s comment:

We, followers of Jesus, are reminded that we should love one another as He loves us - and that by doing this we can ensure that people who see even our small good actions will know whom we serve, and possibly come to serve Him themselves.

Missionary? Me? Really?

Rev. Ken Dunstan

Alas, CoVid-19 cancelled the March Deanery Synod, so my address on the Fifth Mark of Mission wasn't given. I write now because this Mark of Mission fills the other four, and it matters. 'Mission' comes from the Latin for 'send'. Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." God **sends** us to forward His mission to the world that He loves so much that He gave us Himself in Jesus. We are (1) to proclaim the good news of God's Kingdom, (2) Baptise, nurture and train new believers, (3) respond to human need by loving service, (4) challenge injustice and violence and work for peace, (5) **strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.** That's mission. That's what the Church is for.

The 5th Mark isn't about being "tree huggers". Our Environment includes all life, human and non-human. Climate change is just one example. It is a **justice** issue as much as a scientific one. But why bother? Well, who are we? The Bible says God made us from the earth. Science says the 59 elements in our body are all found in the Earth's crust, formed in collapsing stars. We are stardust, made in God's image. Our priorities should be His, in the world He made, saw and called good. We are Stewards of God's Creation, made to "tend it and care for it" (Genesis 2:15). How have we done?

The Original Sin is defying God's limits. We have treated Nature as our property, to be exploited for our desires. So we have destroyed forests to grow food for cattle destined to become beef burgers or to grow vegetable oil for soap, foodstuffs and biodiesel. This has extinguished many species of plants and animals and made others live close to us as towns expand into wild places. Incidentally, as species die out, viruses that lived on them need new hosts. We can be that host.

Humans have polluted rivers, polluted earth, air and water, crowded poor people into slums, enslaved millions to work plantations – I could go on. Now, chickens are coming home to roost. A former Environment Secretary dismissed it: “The climate is always changing.” So it is, but never this quickly in millions of years. Sea temperatures are rising; fish are migrating pole-wards; coral colonies are bleaching. Sea levels are rising as land ice melts and whole countries are threatened. Plants are expanding their range into previously too-cold regions. Weather is becoming erratic, with exceptional droughts in some areas and devastating floods in others. Those who have done least to cause the problems are hurt most, while those who have done most damage are rich enough to protect themselves. We forget that “the earth is the Lord’s and all that fills it” (Psalm 24:1) at our peril.

What should we do? We act as individuals, as part of the whole Creation, and as members of the Body of Christ. **Look**, get informed – **Christian Aid** is a good place. **Pray**, bringing what we have learned to God, setting it beside Scripture and listening to the Spirit. Then **Act**. As individuals and families, we can live more simply. That will mean, as Barking’s Bishop Peter puts it, “embracing inconvenience.” This will affect how we run our work, homes and leisure, especially *how*, *how much*, and *why* we travel. The Covid-19 Pandemic has painfully shown how very rapidly our behaviour can be changed. After the crisis has peaked, we can plan for positive behavioural changes, and build on the caring and environmental benefits which flowered at the end of March. This is God’s Mission – and ours. As Christians, we must act to transform our churches. Diocesan Synod asks for every church in our Diocese to sign up with **A Rocha** to join [Ecochurch](#). The details are on line. **Chelmsford Diocesan website** has a wealth of resources – follow the home page link to *Faith*, then [Environment](#).



If you need to, talk to me. Be prepared to change, but rejoice: the change will be in the sight of God, who will, as in Genesis, call it **good**.

Ken

Our global response



Christian Aid and our partners already have experience of limiting the spread of infection during the Ebola crisis, and we will build on this experience to continue to stand together with communities living in poverty during this period. If infection rates start to develop as they are in Europe, then people in poorer countries will be hit even harder. Many are already living with reduced health resilience because of extreme poverty, or in overcrowded humanitarian camps and in countries which do not have the healthcare infrastructures needed to combat widespread disease. We will be working on the ground to help prepare communities to limit the impact of Covid-19. Please pray for us in this vital work, and support us where you can by making an online donation.

We are praying for all those affected by this new virus, both in Britain and overseas, for all those working on the frontline and for wisdom for our leaders. We will continue to monitor the situation as it evolves. During this challenging time, we all need to take seriously the science and advice being offered, remaining calm but vigilant. If you have any specific concerns or questions please email us at info@christian-aid.org or call our helpline on 020 7620 4444

I am keeping you all in my prayers.

With every blessing,

Amanda Khozi Mukwashi

(Chief Executive, UK)

www.christianaid.gov.uk

WHAT'S WHAT

Mission Statement

“To be a people offering praise and worship to God and serving him by being the Good News by our words and actions”

Web Site www.stleonardsouthminster.org.uk

Contact: vicar@stleonardsouthminster.org.uk

SADLY THERE WILL BE NO NORMAL PUBLIC WORSHIP

Sunday Services - **will become 'worship at home'**

(See pages 12-14 for details of special days and readings)

8:00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer 1662)

10:45 am Holy Communion or Morning Worship

(Our Prayer ministry for any needs will continue even though it happens 'at a distance'.)

Children and Young people are always welcomed especially for the **Family Celebration Services**



MESSY CHURCH is monthly on Mondays at 3.45 pm in church. The next one will be publicised as soon as it is allowed to happen.

'LITTLE LIONS' meet on Wednesday mornings in the Memorial Hall during term-time only
It is for babies/toddlers & their carers.



Morning Prayer (Mon., Wed. and Fri.) 8:00 am
and **Tuesdays at 8.30am** (Just Prayer)

There will be no 'gathering together' but an e-bulletin will be sent every week to all who would normally participate.

We will still worship our Lord, even if we do so from our own homes and in self-isolation. Let's trust Him to bring us through.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

*Please send articles for the June magazine to
Kath Dunstan by **Sunday May 17th.**
New contributors will be welcome.*