

# M ST MARY'S MENDLESHAM

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You are welcome to worship at any of  
our services.

## **SUNDAYS:**

**9.30 a.m.** Parish Mass & Address

**JAM (Jesus & Me) 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 9.30 in  
Old Schoolroom, then to church at  
10.00**

## **First Mass of Sunday:**

Saturdays: 1<sup>st</sup> June – 9.30 am;

8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> June - 7.30 pm;

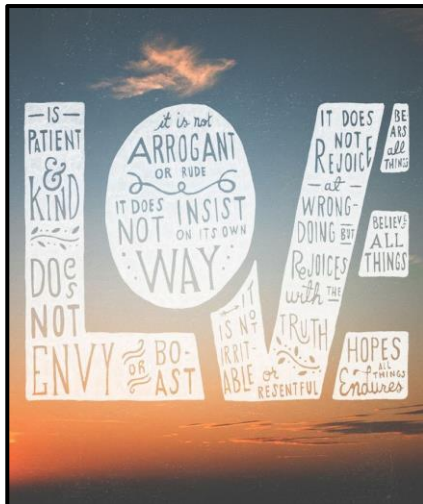
**Daily Mass:** *see calendar on back page  
& check porch notice & bulletin*

**Daily Morning & Evening Prayer**  
*see porch notice.*

**Baptism (Christening), Weddings,  
Anointing of the Sick & House  
Communion - contact Fr Philip**

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturdays 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> June  
- 6.30 pm *or contact Fr Philip*



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## Fr Philip Writes...

**June is a month of festivals** – Ascension Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> June), the birthday of the Church at Whitsun, or Pentecost (9<sup>th</sup> June), the Most

Holy Trinity (16<sup>th</sup> June), Corpus Christi (23<sup>rd</sup> June) and Saints Peter & Paul (29<sup>th</sup> June). All these days call us to do great things for God.

Very often people who are keen to push themselves forward are likely to do people more harm than good, because they rely on their own reserves and seek their own glory. When we acknowledge our emptiness, God can fill us and he accomplishes in us the things we find difficult or impossible. However, it is so easy to use our sins and weaknesses as a cop-out. St Paul said, ***“Of all the apostles I am the least; I don’t even deserve the name ‘Apostle’.”*** (1 Corinthians 15 v 9).



St Peter said, ***“Leave me, Lord, I am a sinful man.”*** (Luke 5 v 8) When we act like Peter we are giving into our sinfulness.

But who did Jesus come for? He came

for sinners and changed people’s understanding of God. God is not someone who shuns sinners but wants them to be saved and given a new start. Paul and Peter eventually accepted God’s invitation and this is the paradox: strength comes from weakness. When we answer God’s call he empowers us with the Holy Spirit so we can do things we never thought possible. ***“There are no impossible situations – only those who have become impossible about them.”***

We all need someone to accept us for what we are, who believes we are capable of more and challenges us to realise it. I want us all to ponder the word **FAITH:**

Please apply this to yourselves, for God has plans for you.

We all need to ask ourselves:

***Am I willing to accept God's forgiveness?***

We need to abandon our self-sufficiency and to recognise the need to be touched by God, who will take us out of ourselves. One of the mysteries of life is the tremendous respect that God

accords to human free will. He never forces us to change but invites us to open our hearts to his power. The question is: **Will we?**



**THY KINGDOM COME:**

**May 30th - June 9th 2019**

see calendar for times of prayer each day



**MORNING COFFEE**

**St Mary's Church - Tue 18<sup>th</sup> June – 10.00**

**Come & enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and cake and help raise funds for the Friends of St Mary's.**



## WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

**Everyone is welcome at all events listed here**

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| <b>1<sup>st</sup> June</b>  | 9.30: 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday<br>2.30 pm: Tour of Round Towered Churches: meet at Burnham Norton & on to Burnham Deepdale and Titchwell         |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>  | 9.30: Parish Mass; JAM in Old Schoolroom   |
| <b>7<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | 2.30 pm Mass in Mason Court followed by refreshments   |
| <b>9<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | <b>WHIT SUNDAY / PENTECOST – End of Eastertide</b><br>9.30: Parish Mass  |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> June</b> | 9.30: Requiem Mass – 1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary, Hugh Cutting   |
| <b>16<sup>th</sup> June</b> | <b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b><br>9.30: Parish Mass<br>2.30 pm: Tour of Norfolk churches. Meet at Ellingham (nr Bungay) & on to Brome, Ditchingham and Hadenham |
| <b>17<sup>th</sup> June</b> | 9.30: Requiem Mass – June anniversaries  |
| <b>21<sup>st</sup> June</b> | 2.30 pm Mass in Mason Court followed by refreshments   |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> June</b> | <b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b><br>9.30: Parish Mass & procession of Blessed Sacrament   |
| <b>24<sup>th</sup> June</b> | BIRTHDAY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST<br>2.30 PM: Mass, Laying-on of hands & anointing for healing.<br>Refreshments afterwards                               |
| <b>27<sup>th</sup> June</b> | 10.45 – 3.00 pm: Guild of All Souls Conference on Healing at Walsingham<br>7.30 pm: Mass (said) at Mendlesham of Sacred Heart                          |
| <b>28<sup>th</sup> June</b> | <b>MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b><br>9.30: Mass (said)   |
| <b>29<sup>th</sup> June</b> | 1.30 pm: Wedding: Alix Juby & David Fordham<br>7.30 pm: First Mass of Sunday   |
| <b>30<sup>th</sup> June</b> | <b>SS PETER &amp; PAUL</b><br>9.30: Parish Mass  |

### FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

**Holy Confirmation: by the Lord Bishop of Richborough**

**25<sup>th</sup> March     Alan John Lawson**

**Holy Burial:**

**9<sup>th</sup> May             Keith Richard Hammond             Aged 81**

**May he rest in the peace of Christ and rise in glory!**