

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.



Easter Sunday 31st March

NB: Daylight Saving Time - clocks go forward one hour

6.30am Cudham Lighting of the Easter Fire and Sunrise

Communion in the Churchyard

Please note: no breakfast afterwards

Reading: John 20: 1-18

Rev John to lead

9.30am Downe All Age Communion with baptism 11.00am Cudham All Age Communion with baptism

Reading: Mark 16: 1-8

Rev John to lead and Kim to speak at both services

Please pray for Jake and Bethany as they are baptised.

Cudham service will be livestreamed at https://www.youtube.com/pcdchurches

Easter Sunday

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Tuesday Holy Communion 10am Services resume on 16th April at St Mary's, Downe.

NB: no services on 2nd and 9th April.

Sunday 7th April – Second Sunday of Easter

10.30am Cudham United Informal Worship Together for all ages John 20: 19-31 Kim to lead

Theme: Doubting Thomas - the disciple who wouldn't believe without seeing the risen Jesus. Light refreshments and creative activities during the service. Come with all the family.

Sunday 14th April – Third Sunday of Easter

9.30am Downe 11.00am Cudham Morning Worship with prayers for healing Holy Communion with prayers for healing and Sunday Club

Readings: Acts 3: 12-19; Luke 24: 36b - 48 Rev John to lead and preach at both services

Cudham and Downe Electoral Rolls – revisions of the rolls will begin shortly in readiness for our United Annual Meeting which will take place at St Mary's, Downe on Sunday 12th May 2024 after the 10.30am United Communion Service. 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.



Saturday 20th April from 1.30pm - 3.30pm at Rochester Cathedral. A free event, no need to book. Bring your own picnic and something to sit on!. For more information contact -

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

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.

Please be aware that **Cudham Lane North** (Green St Green end) will be closed from 2nd April for up to 8 weeks and there will be a signed diversion via Rushmore Hill.

Meditation Group - Christian Meditation will take place on Thursday 4th April 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 https://www.wccm.uk

Ladies Fellowship – will be meeting at 10am on Tuesday 9th April at Sue's, Cudham. Please contact Barbara at barbiesherb@aol.com for more details.



Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. Jeremiah 29:12

Prayer points for this week:

- For HRH The Princess of Wales and her continued recovery from cancer.
- For Bethany (at Downe) and Jake (at Cudham) baptised this Easter Sunday.
- For the housebound and lonely and those with debilitating health conditions.
- ♣ For the recipients of the Easter Gift bags delivered by our Pastoral Visitors Team.
- For children and young people: for quality time with their families over the Easter holidays.
- ♣ For rest and refreshment for school staff after a busy term.
- For international efforts to relieve the humanitarian crisis in Gaza.
- 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.

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 Ray and Barbara Reeve (Cudham) and Marlene Rennison (Downe). Please also pray for our residents in the following streets – Orange Court Lane (Downe) and Grays Road (Cudham).

Prayer chain – please contact Rev John Musson if you have any prayer needs or requests. Email vicar@pcd.org.uk 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.

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