



Saint Michael's Messenger, Newsletter, May 2015

The Eucharist is celebrated every Sunday at 10.00 am followed by refreshments

Dates for your Diary:

May 14th: Ascension Day, Said Eucharist at 10.00

June 4th: Licensing of Fr Ingham

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On Thursday 4th June, the feast of Corpus Christi, the Reverend Anthony Ingham will be licensed as Priest-in-Charge of St. Michael's by the Venerable Ian Naylor, Archdeacon of France. The Licensing, which will be in the context of the Eucharist will start at 11.00hrs.

There will be a "Finger buffet" lunch afterwards. All are welcome to attend but please let us know at least one week in advance, i.e. by Thursday 28th May whether you are (A) Attending the Licensing service only, or (B) Attending the service and staying for the lunch. You can do this by emailing Nicola at ekarsen@wanadoo.fr



Fr Anthony and Fiona Ingham

Help Required/ Sale of Goods

Since our long-awaited Chaplain arrives at the beginning of June we are refurbishing the apartment in readiness. As Rev and Mrs Ingham will be bringing all their own furniture we will have some second hand items surplus to requirements.

SEE PHOTOS ON WEBSITE <http://www.stmichaelsbeaulieusurmer.org/>

You can view and collect them yourself on **4th May afternoon or 7th May morning**. A small donation can be made to the church. Contact Nicola as above for viewing. In addition ABLE BODIED men (or women) are needed on **Thursday 7th May** to move the heavier items. Please help!

Spring Clean June 1st - More Help Needed!

Please can we have volunteers to spruce up the church on Mon June 1st from 9 am onwards.

Easter Celebrations

Thank you to Canon Bruce Duncan who provided a thought provoking sermon and to everyone who contributed to making St Michael's a joyful Easter celebration for nearly 90 friends and family with beautiful flowers, delicious cakes and eggs accompanied by bountiful sparkling wine.



Fr Bruce is actually clutching a jar of homemade jam but champagne was available!

Book Review from Fr Bruce:

Etty Hillesum: A Life Transformed by Patrick Woodhouse (ISBN 9781847064264)

Etty's clear grasp of the truth that as Christians each one of us must, as a deliberate act of will, refuse to hate, was the subject of Fr Bruce Duncan's Easter Day sermon at St Michael's.

On 8 March 1941 Etty, a 27-year-old Jewish Dutch student living in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam, made the first entry in a diary that was to become one of the most remarkable documents to emerge from the Nazi Holocaust. That diary and her letters were first published in 1986 and, in the words of Archbishop Rowan Williams, "made available an utterly distinctive modern chronicle of conversion: a '*Confessions of St Augustine*' for our own day...the discovery of a real and completely powerfully transforming divine faithfulness, present even in the depths of the nightmare of totalitarian inhumanity."

Fellowship Lunch Sunday April 19th



A delicious Fellowship lunch was provided on Sunday April 19. Thanks to Nicola for organising, and the many helpers who contributed by buying food, cooking, setting tables and washing up which went towards making a seamless, sharing occasion.

Ascension Day at Lorgues, Thursday 14th May, 2015 Recommended by Jenny and Sharon

The Ascension Day gathering at Lorgues is well worth the journey. In May 2014, a small contingent from St Michael's went to the Arc-en-Provence gardens near Lorgues. After coffee and cake, about 70 people moved to the beautiful chapel area and outside seating. The service was simple and modern, with songs and hymns accompanied on a harmonium. The service was followed by a generous bring-&-share lunch in the garden; at our table we met Anglicans from Marseille and Cannes, and later Dani Carew from Monaco.



Photo from 2014 -(L to R): Andrew and Marylynne Hayward Jenny and David Kerridge, Sharon Kidson.

One tip if you can go: leave enough time for the journey: the last few kms are quite slow.

Who's who? The New Church Council:

Chairman /Chaplain (designate)	Rev Anthony Ingham
Lay Vice Chairman	Nick Harley
Warden	Vacant
Warden	Barry Coffey
Co-opted Council member-clergy	Fr Philip Robinson
Secretary	Nicola Karlsen
Treasurer	Deanne Fox
Council member-laity	Jo Norman
Council member-laity	Jeremy Nordberg
Council member-laity	Ian Lawrie
Council member-laity	Andrew McChesney
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