

## Welcome to St.Mark's

**If you're a NEWCOMER** please make yourself known and pick up a copy of the '**Welcome**' booklet, from the downstairs foyer. It is designed to give you information about church life.

**After the Service:** refreshments are served upstairs in the foyer. Do stay and meet people. An appropriate monetary donation is welcome! Please tidy any of the books or papers in your seat before you leave the church – it makes the cleaner's job so much easier!

**When writing cheques,** please write simply "St Mark's".

**Please check out notice board** in upstairs lounge for details of items for sale, job-seeking ads and other general events information.

## St Paul's Notices

**Sunday school** for *maternelle* and primary school age children is now held THREE TIMES monthly - on 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays (except for school holidays). Please spread the word! Call Lori Lhermitte for details 0663744413.

### Please remember in your prayers:

May the Lord deepen our faith, strengthen our trust, and rekindle our vision so we may continue to be light bearers for him in 2012.

### Collect 22<sup>nd</sup> January

God of all mercy,  
your Son proclaimed good news  
to the poor,  
release to the captives,  
and freedom to the oppressed:  
anoint us with your Holy Spirit  
and set all your people free  
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

### Collect 29<sup>th</sup> January

God of heaven,  
you send the gospel to  
the ends of the earth  
and your messengers to  
every nation:  
send your Holy Spirit to  
transform us  
by the good news of  
everlasting life  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

# Welcome to St.Mark's Versailles and St.Paul's Gif sur Yvette



## Church Motto 2012

**"Blessed are those who trust in the Lord"**  
Jeremiah 17: 7

*Welcome - particularly if you are a visitor. If you have just arrived in France or this is your first time with us, we invite you to fill out the Welcome Form available in the downstairs foyer.*

## NOTE : Notice Sheet for 2 Sundays Services Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2012

10.30am Holy Communion at St.Mark's (Rev John Moore)  
5.30pm Evening Prayer at St.Paul's

## Services Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2012

10.30am Morning Prayer at St.Mark's  
5.30pm Holy Communion at St.Paul's

## St Mark's Church

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**Elaine will be in her office at St.Mark's on Wednesdays & Thursdays**

**Normal Office Hours: Mon 9.30am – 2pm, Tues CLOSED, Wed noon – 5pm, Thurs 9.30am– 2.30pm, Fri 9.30am – 1.30pm**

**East (Orientals)** in Chaville Tues: contact Paul & Maggie 0179418678

**West** in Beynes Tues 8pm : contact Jonathan & Bryony 0134898502

**Gif/Chevry** area : contact Elaine 0660596598

**Ladies Daytime** in St.Nom Tues 9.15am : contact Louise 0139583676

**Versailles** at Pont Colbert Wed 8pm : contact Mike 01 34 60 14 42

**Croissy** Mon 8pm : contact Alan 01 39 18 62 28

**SQY (Montigny)** every other Tues 8pm contact John 01 61 38 36 47

**Rambouillet** contact David on 0134831007

### Bible Readings

22<sup>nd</sup> January : Gen 14 : 17 - 20, Rev 19 : 6 - 10, John 2 : 1 - 11

29<sup>th</sup> January : Deut 18 : 15 - 20, Rev 12 : 1 - 5, Mark 1 : 21 - 28

**Prayer & Praise Night Friday 27th January 8 – 9.30pm.** An opportunity to come together and worship our God. Loving Him with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and will all our strength.

**Please note that Elaine will be on holiday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> January. The Church Office will also be closed 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> January.**

**27<sup>th</sup> January 8pm** Prayer & Praise meeting - Loving God

**28<sup>th</sup> January 1pm** Work Party on chaplaincy house

**\*\*\* 4<sup>th</sup> February Child Protection Training – CANCELLED \*\*\***

**9<sup>th</sup> February 8pm** PCC meeting

**18<sup>th</sup> February** RSCM Singing Day at St.George's

**24<sup>th</sup> February 8pm** Prayer & Praise meeting - Loving our neighbour

**8<sup>th</sup> March 8pm** PCC meeting

**30<sup>th</sup> March 8pm** Prayer & Praise meeting - Loving ourselves



**We are pleased to announce that everything has been confirmed & signed for the new Chaplain.**

The new Chaplain will be Rev Chris Maclay. Chris had the following to say about the move "We are really looking forward to joining you all in Versailles, and our minds keep straying towards the move. We have felt very carried by God to this point and have seen some amazing things slot into place, and some great assurances that this is the right thing for us. We are really looking forward to getting to know folk at both churches and look forward to working together."

Chris is married to Louise and they have 4 daughters (2 at home and 2 away studying)

Chris will be starting at the beginning of August. The arrangements for the time between now and then will be as follows:

Elaine will continue as Acting Chaplain until mid-May.

We will then have a Locum, John Philpott for 7 weeks until the beginning of July .

Elaine will then again be Acting Chaplain until the end of July.

Please continue to pray - there will be much that needs prayer in the coming months.



**Operation Stephen** updated invitation cards are available in the downstairs foyer. If you would like to help on a Saturday, please contact Paul Simmons, Phil or Christina Galley.



**Sunday School News** A Big Thank You to Sylvia Davidson for offering to be our new teacher for our Sparklers group. Also we would like to thank Sandria Warner who has offered to help when Kunbi takes some time off when she has her baby. A real answer to prayer, thank God for His faithfulness to St. Marks Sunday School.

**Reach Update PRAISE GOD** that the new worship hall has passed its safety inspection and we now have permission to use it! However, there is a bit more work to do before we can move in. We need to think about decorating the walls, doing the flooring and installing a sound system. Please pray that God provides the necessary funds for these jobs.



**The Prayer Chain** aims to provide prayer support as quickly as possible as needs arise. Please send your prayer requests, urgent or otherwise to Karen Thorley on 06.09.26.20.43 or [stmarksprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksprayerchain@gmail.com) Your requests remain completely confidential.

**There is a new Members' Section** on the church website [www.stmarksversailles.org](http://www.stmarksversailles.org) where various internal documents and discussions will be consultable. **Please register online.** This new section of the website will eventually replace the online bulletin board. You will be able to read internal documents, such as PCC meeting minutes, keep up to date with events & interact in discussion groups. **No excuse for not being informed...so register now!**

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**Taking Care God's Way**, a teaching day with Rev Elaine Labourel on Saturday 10th March - please put the date in your diary - more information coming later.

**The next work party for the chaplaincy house** will be on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 5pm. All help and DIY skill levels are welcome as there is much to do. Please contact Steve Nieting if you interested and can help: [snieting@slb.com](mailto:snieting@slb.com). Even if you cannot come for the entire time, please do drop on by.