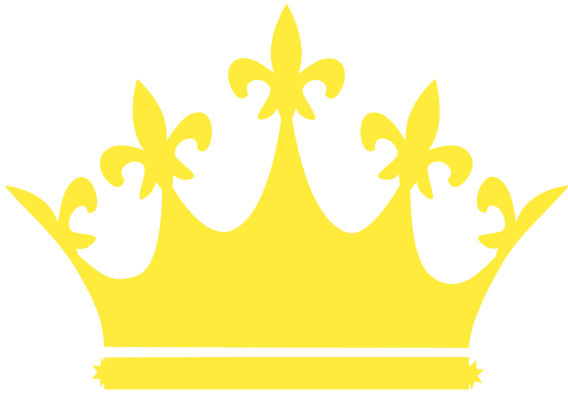


ST. BOTOLPHS CHURCH COLCHESTER

MAY 2023 NEWSLETTER



As we begin our celebrations this weekend we pray for our KING Charles III & Queen Camilla. We pray their reign will be successful in bringing communities together & for the good of all their people. May their reign be a happy one. GOD SAVE THE KING.

The coming weeks bring several things to look forward to –

For those who are not aware , on the 1st April St. Botolphs was officially separated from St. Peters. We now look forward to our future associations with Christ Church.

On June 7th we have a Visitation of the Archdeacon when Church Wardens of the Deanery will be sworn in.

On Monday June 12th our new minister, Rev. Chris Smith will be licensed in a service to be held in Christ Church. All are welcome.

On June 10th from 1.30 pm to 4.30 pm. BBC Songs of Praise will be recorded in Colchester, the plan is to use the Band Stand in the Castle Park, however St Botolphs is on standby as the bad weather option. We are invited to apply for free tickets to attend, and we hope that St Botolph's will feature in the programme.

On June 18th we will welcome Rev. Chris when he will administer his first Communion in St. Botolphs.

As always in life there are also sad times & it is with great sadness we report the passing of Mark Davies . A long standing member of St. Botolph he carried out many roles, from serving on the PCC & being a member of the choir for many years. Marks funeral service will be held in St. Botolphs Church on Thursday June 1st. We pray for Caroline & their family at this sad time.

Also the news from the hospital regarding June Welham is that after a number of heart attacks & strokes she is now only receiving palliative care. We pray for peace for her & her family.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

MAY 14 TH	HOLY COMMUNION	MICHAEL FOX
MAY 21 ST	MORNING WORSHIP	SARA HUMPHRIES
MAY 28 TH	HOLY COMMUNION	MICHAEL FOX
JUNE 4 TH	MORNING WORSHIP	CLIVE JOYCE
JUNE 11 TH	HOLY COMMUNION	MICHAEL FOX



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