WORTHING NEWS – MAY 2023

Our Annual Easter Duck Race on the 9th April, was an amazing day. In recent days we had been dodging rainy days but thankfully we were blessed with sunshine all day. This clearly encouraged everyone to come out and join in the fun day to watch their sponsored duck reach the finishing line.

We greeted in the region of 120 adults and around 20 + children. Most visitors arrived on foot, some cycled or scooter and of course the little ones in pushchairs or on piggy-back.

Our winners Virginia, Hannah, Millie, Ginnie, Finley, John, Penny, Liam, Seb and Poppy all scooped an Easter Egg.

Everyone helped raise just over £400 which as many will know; our Church Heating requires replacement costing almost £20K. Therefore, your generous donations will certainly have to work hard!

St Margaret's Church would also like to thank all our volunteers that made this such a successful day, in particular, our thanks to Ben & Will in the kayak - Duck Race Marshals.

Thank you all and hope to see you next year!



Worthing once again welcomed Pilgrim Cross (previously known as Student Cross) to our church on Maundy Thursday.

30+ young people / students walked in very wet conditions and so when they arrived, St Margaret's were able to greet them with warm drinks and muffins and to prepare them for the next leg of their journey.

The pilgrimage is a way of celebrating Easter, and they walk every year to Walsingham - an ancient site of pilgrimage in Norfolk. They live and walk in community for one, three or seven days before spending an amazing weekend celebrating Easter in the ruins of Walsingham Abbey.

Monday Bank Holiday 1st May from 2-4pm at Worthing Church and partake in A DELICIOUS CREAM TEA and a flutter in our fabulous raffle! FREE ADMISSION

although a donation towards cream teas is appreciated. In Aid of **Church Fabric Fund.**

For further information, please contact: Celia on 01362 668928



Some come on by and meet up with friends, families, all visitors and join in the banter over a hot pot of tea and scrummy cakes. Don't forget, there will be some fabulous raffle prizes to be won!

Church Service dates for May Following The Coronation of our King, Charles III:

Sunday the 7th Holy Communion led by The Rev'd Sally Kimmis

Sunday the 14th, a special Holy Communion Service led by The Archdeacon of Lynn, The Venerable Catherine Dobson

And Sunday the 28th an Iona family service led by Licensed Lay Minister Norman Johnson All services starting at 10.30am followed by refreshments and local banter.

PLEASE NOTE – ANNUAL ELECTION OF CHURCH WARDEN(S) ON THE 7^{TH} MAY, PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL WORTHNG PAROCHIAL CHURCH COMMITTEE.