ST MARY'S SPEEN PEW NEWS 24/2021

1) SERVICES

This week Holy Communion led by Rev Janice Macdonald.

Next week:

Sunday 6th June: Service of the Word led by Rev Joy Mawdesley

2) ST MARY'S ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM) on Sunday 4th July at 12 noon, after our morning service. Our annual meeting will be chaired by Rev Will Hunter Smart, our Rector. Our APCM is usually held earlier in the year, but due to COVID restrictions, holidays and Will's availability it has been delayed. Look out for the Annual report online please.

- 3) **ST MARY'S PLANT AND CAKE STALL.** Thank you again to everyone who contributed to the success of the plant and cake stalls. We made over £220 which I think could appropriately be a contribution to our Memorial Garden which we hope will start to take place soon. This has led to a few more ideas for fundraising, with the emphasis on FUN, later in the year.
- 4) INDIA APPEAL: We have had this feedback as regards our giving for India –

Thanks to wonderful generosity of members of St Nicolas and St Mary's Speen, the appeal has raised £8,616 in donations, totalling £9,844.75 with gift aid and as Miriam Dean Fund is matching the donations, almost £18,500 will be going to Leonard Hospital. It is certainly needed. In an email to Sheila Moore of Miriam Dean Fund, Sr Dr Jacqueline said:

"I have no adequate words to express my overwhelming gratitude for the marvellous way you and your supporters are trying hard to help us and the Covid victims. Thank you ever so much for the assurance of the grant."

The situation is not improving quickly. We have heard that three of the sisters have died, another is in a critical condition and the Superior has tested positive and has been admitted to the hospital. Please pray for the situation, the hospital, the sisters and their patients". Joy Mawdesley

5) RECEIVING PEW NEWS BY EMAIL

I know that most people reading this will be receiving PN each week by email, but do please let me know if you know of anyone who is online and who would like to be added to our St M's list.