Next week's Services:				
Family service				
Tempted	Trevor Long			
	Family service			

Midweek Activities:

М	15:45 - 17:00 Deeper	T h	10:00 - 11:30 Matt's Monkey's
Т	08:00 - 09:00 Prayer meeting	F	8:30 - 10:30 Breakfast Café
W	18:00 - 19:30 Ignite 20:00 Ash Wednesday service	S	11:00 - 16:30 LOVE HIGH BROOMS

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NOTICES & NEWS

26th February 2017

Welcome to St Matt's

We hope you enjoy being with us today. Our church is informal and family-friendly, and we serve tea and coffee at the back of the church throughout the service, except during Prayer.

Today's Services:

	l0am	God is for us (Romans 8:28-39)	Dedo Rampe
5	ōpm	Old meets new	Chris Wicks

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This week at St. Matt's

Seven

Starts today at 7pm in church

Seven is doing something new! Seven is a gathering of believers, creating space to focus on Jesus and worship him. No formula. Just authentic relationship. If you are searching for time in your week to meet with God through contemplative worship and teaching, escape for an hour at 7pm and come for a drink afterwards at The Brick Works.

Everyone is welcome.

Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday 1st March, 8pm, in church

Join us for a quiet, contemplative service to start Lent.

Love High Brooms Saturday 4th March 2017, 11am - 4.30pm

Today is the last chance to sign up for Love High Brooms!! This will be a day of serving our community, consisting of worship, lunch and loads of projects that will share God's love with those in High Brooms. Anyone of any age is welcome to come, meeting at St. Matt's Church. Anyone under 18 (whether coming with a parent/guardian or coming on your own) will need to fill out a sign up form by 26th Feb. There is a cost of £3 per person for a T-shirt and lunch, to be paid by 4th March.

Church weekend - Daring to Love

Flyers and booking forms are out for the church weekend, which takes place on the 29th and 30th April 2017! Our speaker is Nicola Neal, who runs a charity with her husband, Simon, called Revelation Life, which is 'working to see families flourish, lives rebuilt and hearts changed in the slums of Kampala.'

During Lent, house groups are looking at a book called "Whale Song", by local author Keren Dibbens-Wyatt. If you would like to buy your own copy (£5.99) please order through Hannah in the office.

Other news...

Encouraging Creativity - Art at St. Matt's

Last year Chris quoted Mark Batterson in a talk saying that "the church ought to be the most creative place on earth". Ever since some of us have been wondering how we can encourage creativity at St. Matt's. So this Easter we thought we would have our own mini art exhibition. **During Lent**, we would like to challenge you to be creative! The theme we have chosen is **"Journey".** You are welcome to interpret it in any way you wish. You can also choose whatever medium you would like to explore this theme - painting, drawing, photography, sculpture, etc. We will display whatever you create in the church centre over the Easter season. Everyone can get involved—maybe you can submit a creation that you have made as a family!

Nourish Foodbank

Sunday 5th March 2017 Next Sunday is donation day for Nourish. They currently are very short of: Pasta in sauce packets Tinned spaghetti Tinned ravioli Tinned beans with sausages Toilet rolls Toothpaste Please leave items at the back of church.

Revive Quiet Day Saturday 18th March, 10am - 3pm, at Ashurst Village Hall Alice Bates is coming to lead the day for us. Booking forms are at the back of church and can be returned to Hannah in the office. Open to all women, so invite your friends!

House to rent?

The Vicar at All Saints Church in Brenchley, Campbell Paget, has been hosting 6 Syrian female refugees (an extended family) since July but now they are urgently seeking a 2, 3, and 4 bed house in the area for them and their 3 families. They have just been granted 'leave to stay'. Rents up to £1350 max and Campbell and his family can act as guarantor and pay the deposit.

Please reply to <u>pagetfamilyfive@btinternet.com</u> if you are able to help.