



St Mary's News

"One Church Worshipping in Different ways"

Welcome to the St Mary's Church family
We are a diverse Church community meeting in and for our village

1st May 2016

Worship Today

All services at **St Mary's**
unless otherwise stated

Sunday 1st May

8am BCP Holy Communion

Stewart Timbrell

9:30am Holy Communion

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11am St Mary's @11

In the coming weeks

Sunday 8th May

8am BCP Holy Communion

Martin Fredriksen

9:30am Holy Communion

Rob Richards

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 15th May

8am BCP Holy Communion

Stewart Timbrell

10:00am Morning Worship

Joint with the Methodist at the

Methodist church

Sheilah Goddard

11am St Mary's @11

6pm Evensong

Stewart Timbrell

Sunday 22nd May

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 29th May

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

St Mary's Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The APCM was held at St Mary's church on **Wednesday 27th April**. There were 24 church members present and 9 apologies. The **2016 Report** has been circulated but there are some printed copies at the back of the church as well. We would like to welcome 2 new members to the PCC – **Claire Coakes** and **Sheila Newnham** and look forward to working with them.

Bill thanked our Lay Pastoral Assistants for their continued work and involvement. Our LPA's are **Mary Gibson**, **Liz Southgate** and **Ann Jones**. **Charles Hodson** is currently attending the course to become an LPA and will be joining the team once he has completed it.

Jean de Garis thanked our Churchwardens **Annie Mitchener** and **Mat Riddell** for their continuing hard work and also **Bill Carter** as his role as Vice Chairman and Fabric committee chairman. He thanked **Frances Tomlinson** as treasurer which has now been passed on to **Roger Ong** whom we thank for taking on this role. Thanks also were given to **Debbie Phipps** who has resigned as secretary and the PCC but will continue on the Fundraising committee, sending out the News sheet and updating the website. We thank **Riette Hodson** for taking over as secretary.

A full list of all the members of the new PCC will be on the church noticeboard or visit our website.

PCC Meeting

During the PCC meeting on 10 April we had feedback on a Diocesan course on funding attended by Anne Brown and Jackie Cannings which they had found very helpful. Bill Carter had had a very helpful conversation regarding funding for our heating with the Archdeacon (Very Rev Antony MacRow-Wood) and the possibility that he might be able to help us with this. This heating would be in the form of ceramic panel heaters which could be hung from the ceiling or attached to the walls.

We are transferring some of our funds into a charity bank account that would earn us a better return, plan to open the church to visitors more often, and are considering doing a presentation to the Parish Council and possibly some local businesses to help with our fundraising. Jo Sepkes-Jones (our Safeguarding Officer) is looking to adapt the NSPCC guidelines for our own use. The next PCC meeting is on **Tuesday 17 May**, please let any member know if there is anything you would like us to discuss.

News Sheet

If you would like to get the News sheet by email please contact Debbie (See below)

Or visit

www.smlm.co.uk

Click on **News**

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Printed copies will still be available in church or please contact Debbie.

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Prayer Focus

- Praise God for good outcome with GP for Caleb
- Praise God for timing of letter to the Diocese Advisory Committee about heating
- Pray for the Diocese Advisory Committee consideration of our letter about heating
- Pray for Alison Nicholas and family on the death of her mother
- Pray for children in the village taking SATS this week
- Pray for Stewart Timbrell mourning Stephen's death

A kindly reminder!

As the warmer weather means gardening time, will you give a thought and **plant** a small pot of 'anything' for us to sell at the cream tea June 5th? With thanks **Jackie 01202 632298**

Plant Sale - Saturday May 7th 10 - 12

At St. Dunstons Church Upton. Donations of plants can be taken to St Dunstons from 4-30 on Friday 6th or to Sheila Newnham. Proceeds to Christian Aid.

Christian Aid Week

This runs from Sunday 15th May to Saturday 21st. There will be a house to house collection in Lytchett during this week. The envelopes will be delivered the preceding week, so please have your envelope ready. If anyone is willing to help with the collecting or the counting please see Sheila Newnham,

Village Fair May 14th

Churches Together is running 'teas' at the Village Fair on **May 14th**. It has been agreed that the proceeds from this event will be donated to St Mary's church. If you are able to help in any way, there is a sign-up sheet in church, or speak to anyone on the fundraising team.

We are also having a **Flower Tombola** with lots of little dishes/baskets of flower arrangements (Prize every time). We are putting these arrangements together on **Friday 13th at 10am**. If you would like to come and join in the fun or you have a garden full of greenery or flowers you are willing to share please contact **Debbie** on **01202 632858**