

# 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

#### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September

8am BCP Holy Communion 9:30am Holy Communion Exodus 12.1-14 Matthew 18.15-20 11am St Mary's @11 Genesis 3

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 8am BCP Holy Communion 10:00 Morning Worship Joint with Methodist and @11 at The Methodist Chapel Matthew 18.21-35 6pm Evensong

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 8am BCP Holy Communion 10:00am All-Age Holy Communion for Harvest (Exodus 16.2-15) Matthew 20.1-16

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 8am BCP Holy Communion Stewart Timbrell 9:30am Holy Communion Exodus 17.1-7 Matthew 21.23-32 11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 8am BCP Holy Communion 9:30am Holy Communion 11am St Mary's @11

# **Living Churchyards**

As part of the Living Churchyards Project 2017 we have been awarded the 'Wildlife Award' to be presented at a ceremony on 23rd September at the Dorset Wildlife Trust HQ. If anyone would like to represent St Mary's Church at this presentation please speak to Stephen as we are allowed up to 3 representatives to attend. The timing is 10am till 12.30 and the special guest presenter is Roger Hirons, the Plant Doctor, who will be speaking about God's wildlife in the garden as well as presenting the certificates.

# Sunday 24th September at 10am

#### For an All-Age All-Together Harvest Communion Service

Bring gifts of produce and/or tins and packets, then after the service we will sell off the produce in aid of Christian Aid (so do bring some money too!) and we will give the tins and packets to the Foodbank.

## **Churches Together Harvest Supper**

We are back at the Chequers again this year for our annual Harvest gathering. The food options are similar to last years' basket meal: Scampi, Sausage, Chicken (Gluten free), or Veggie kebab (Gluten free) all with chips. We will have the conservatory and restaurant areas set aside for us. In the conservatory we hope to have some table top games and then in the restaurant there will be a small 'stage' set up for anyone who wants to share a song or two or even a reading. Contact <u>sam.goudie@thelighthouse.org.uk</u> if you would like to take part, there will be space for a small choir, an electric piano will be available and acoustic guitar if needed. Tickets are £6 for adults and £3 for children under 12'

#### Engagement

Our congratulations and blessings to *lan Henry*, a stalwart of the @11 and also a member of the PCC, on his recent engagement to *Emily Spray* who is also a teacher as lan is.

# **Messy Church**

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 4-6 the theme being "Faith is the key" all ages welcome, and helpers are welcome to.

#### **News Sheet**

If you would like to get the News sheet by email please contact Debbie (See below) Or visit www.smlm.co.uk

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## **Social Media**

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## **Prayer Focus**

- All those who start or return to school this week
- All those returning to new classes and new teachers
- Those preparing for university
- Preparation for Messy Church
- Quick recovery for Steve Martin after his hip replacement
- Thank God for the generous donations we have received that total well over 50 chairs so far

# "If my people"

#### A Day of prayer, worship and encounter

#### 17th September 2pm-8pm

Churches from across Dorset are coming together for a time of worship, prayer and intercession for our county and the nation. If My People is being organised by a network of Church Leaders in partnership with Connect Dorset, is called '**If My People**' based on the Lord's famous promise in **2 Chronicles 7.14**:

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

Please feel free to bring a picnic lunch from 12:30pm and meet others from churches across the region and enjoy the beautiful 350 acres of Holton Lee.'

# **Diary Date**

Our next Fundraising event is on Sunday 24th September from 6-7.30pm, when **Purbeck Quire** entertains us!

Purbeck Quire is a charity that raises funds for disadvantaged children so they can experience the joys of music. Our church will be decorated for harvest, so relax and listen to a celebration of harvest through song. Entrance is £5, which includes refreshments, pay on the door. Proceeds from the event will go towards the upkeep of the church. See you there!

## **Diary Dates**

September

10	Sun	4 - 6 pm	St Mary's	Messy Church
24	Sun	10am	St Mary's	Harvest Festival All-Age Communion
24	Sun	6-7:30	St Mary's	Purbeck Quire Concert
29	Fri		Chequers	Churches Together Harvest Supper