



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 22nd October

8am BCP Holy Communion
9:30am Holy Communion
Exodus 33.12-end
Matthew 22.15-22
11am St Mary's @11
Exodus 16-17

Sunday 29th October

8am BCP Holy Communion
Stewart Timbrell
9:30am Holy Communion
Deuteronomy 34.1-12
Matthew 22.34-end
11am St Mary's @11
Joshua 3 & 6
3pm All Souls service

Sunday 5th November

8am BCP Holy Communion
Stewart Timbrell
9:30am Holy Communion
Revelation 7.9-end
Matthew 5.1-12
11am St Mary's @11
1 Samuel 16

Sunday 12th November

8am BCP Holy Communion
Amos 5.18-24, Matthew 25.1-13
10:00
Remembrance at Village Hall and War Memorial

Sunday 19th November

8am BCP Holy Communion
Stewart Timbrell
10:00 Morning Worship
Joint with Methodist and @11
at The Methodist Chapel
Zephaniah 1.7, 12-18
Matthew 25.14-30
6pm Evensong
Stewart Timbrell

Feedback from PCC meeting 11th October

As a PCC we have been exploring our passions and interests within church life and this month we sought to identify some things we could do to develop these areas in the coming year or so. We were encouraged by the amazing feats of those who entered the **Ride and Stride this year**. Roger does great work to give us an update of our **financial situation** each month. So far this year we have done amazingly well to raise the money for over **70 new chairs**.

Our General fund, which covers our regular bills along with our 'Fairer Share' payment to the diocese, has been bolstered recently with various gift-aid claims that Roger has been able to obtain. But our General Fund is still a little short of what we need to cover our anticipated expenses over the final few months of the year. I would encourage all of us to **review our regular giving** and if we are able to give a little more it would be appreciated as we seek to end 2017 in the black.

We heard from Bill that the **faculty has been granted for the replacement of the pews with chairs**, the installation of new choir frontals, and the commencement of Quinquennial repairs principally to some of the chancel windows. It was recognised that we needed a **Health and Safety representative** for St Mary's, *Andrew Dawson* was asked and agreed to take on this role supported by Stephen and the Church Wardens. We also agreed that our three new LPAs would be licensed chalice assistants – meaning they can administer home communions where needed.

Vicar Views His Parish From Above

Stephen ventured to the highest point of St Mary's church last week. We need a caption for the website. Please send comments to newssheet@smlm.co.uk or speak to Debbie on 01202 632858



News Sheet

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Prayer Focus

- Lucy and Reuben as Lucy starts chemo. Reuben is Mary and Rita's grandson
- Graham awaiting a new plan of care
- For messy church 22nd
- Praise God that 20 pews sold
- Pray for choir preparing for Christmas

Called to Prayer

We have a prayerful team of intercessors who lead our prayers at church each Sunday. If you feel a call to **join this team** please speak to **Stephen**, training can be given. Also if there is another area of church life you would like to serve in then please speak to Stephen, Annie, Mat or any member of the PCC.

'Engaging with our Community' Vision Morning 18th November 10am-12

Lytchett Minster Parish Church is hosting a **Vision day** to look at 'Engaging with our Community' with guest speakers Michael Tomlinson MP and Andrew Mead (Head teacher of Lytchett Minster School). This is an event just open to members of Lytchett Minster, Upton and St Mary's churches. The two speakers are both committed Christians and should give us a plenty of food for thought as to how we can engage our local community.

Stephen

The Churches Together Lunch

Next lunch is Wednesday 1st November

The monthly Churches together lunches will **not** be held on Wed Oct 25th, but will instead be on **Wed 1st November** in the Methodist Church. Lunch will be served from 12. to 1-30.

All are welcome. Proceeds to charity. **Sheila**

- Diary Dates – click on the link below to see the full calendar

October

22 Sun 4.00 pm St Mary's **Messy Church**

29 Sun 3 pm St Mary's **All Souls Service**
Clocks back 1 hour

November

8 Wed 7.30 pm SMLM **PCC Meeting**

[St Mary's Calendar](#)