



# 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 21st January

8am BCP Holy Communion

*Stewart Timbrell*

10am Joint with the Methodist Church at St Mary's

*John 2.1-11*

6pm Evensong

## Sunday 28th January

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

*Revelation 12.1-5a*

*Mark 1.21-28*

11am St Mary's @11

*Matthew 13.44*

## Sunday 4th February

8am BCP Holy Communion

*Stewart Timbrell*

9:30am Holy Communion

*Colossians 1.15-20*

*John 1.1-14*

11am St Mary's @11

*Mark 6.30-44*

## Sunday 11th February

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

*2 Corinthians 4.3-6*

*Mark 9.2-9*

11am St Mary's @11

*Luke 19*

## Sunday 18th February

8am BCP Holy Communion

*Stewart Timbrell*

10am Joint with the Methodist Church at The Methodist Chapel

*one of 1 Peter 3.18-22; Mark 1.9-15*

11am St Mary's @11

*Luke 15.11-32*

## Have you been confirmed?

There is an opportunity to be confirmed by **Bishop Karen** at Lytchett Minster Parish Church on **10th March** at 6pm. It is open to anyone who hasn't yet made this step of commitment in their journey of faith but would like to – this is open to adults and children aged 11 or over. There may be some preparation required, please speak to Stephen if you are interested.

## Closure of the Mothers' Union Branch

Our Mothers' Union had its **final meeting** in the library for Nine lessons and carols just before Christmas. Sadly, on Wednesday 17th January we held a Service of Thanksgiving and Closure of the Lytchett Matravers Mothers' Union branch in the presence of Rosie Stiven the Mothers' Union Diocesan President.

The group will continue to meet monthly for fellowship, prayer and coffee at Ann Jones' house. Molly Edwards will continue to keep us informed what is going on in the wider Mothers' Union world. Thank You to all those who have kept the branch running in recent years. We are sure that the ethos of caring for family life will continue in all that we do.

## Service of Dedication and Blessing of the New Chairs

Please come and make this a great celebration, everyone is welcome. The **Archdeacon of Dorset** will be speaking and presenting us with the folder containing certificates of dedication. The short service will be followed by a buffet tea. Please see Christine Dawson or Karen Hesketh if you can give either a plate of food or some time to help set up, serve or tidy away on the day. It all takes place next **Saturday 27th January** beginning at 6.30pm at St Mary's Church.

## The Churches Together Lunch

Next lunch is 31st January

These lunches are held on the last Wednesday of every month. Lunch will be served between 12 and 1-30, in the Methodist Church. Anyone is welcome young or old, whether or not you are Church members. Proceeds to charity.

**Sheila**

## News Sheet

If you would like to get the News sheet by email please contact Debbie (See below)  
Or visit  
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<https://twitter.com/StMarysLM>

## Prayer Focus

- The Work of the Mothers' Union in their Christian care for families as our branch closes
- For those considering becoming PCC Members or Church Warden
- Jean Neagle in hospital with a fractured hip
- Graham Stansfield and family as he starts new treatment

## Your Church Needs You!

The APCM is our '**Annual Party for Church Members**' or maybe 'Annual Parochial Church Meeting'. It takes place on **March 20th** when we will be reviewing 2017 and all that has happened in Church life over the year. At this meeting we are looking to elect **4 new PCC members** to stand for up to 2/3 years. In addition we are looking for someone to become **Church Warden** as Annie Mitchener is stepping down after many years in the role. Annie has done fantastic service and will continue to support whoever succeeds her by handling admin for Baptisms, Wedding and Funerals, along with supporting the 8am service.

There will be a detailed description of what both PCC member and Church Warden roles involve available in church soon. Do pick one up and think about who you know that would be good in either role. **Stephen**

## Thank You

### to everyone who helped with services over Christmas

We welcomed over 400 people to our Carol Service, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and New Year's Eve Services.

We also gave about £450 to three of our Mission Partners

- The Children's Society – helping children in need across the UK.
- CanKids helping children with cancer in India
- Routes to Roots helping homeless people in Poole.

**Stephen**

## Diary Dates

Click on the link below to see the full calendar

### January

<b>27</b>	Sat	6:30	St Mary's	<b>Chair Dedication Service</b>
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### February

<b>11</b>	Sun	2-5pm	St Mary's	<b>Wedding Preparation</b>
<b>14</b>	Wed		Lytchett Minster	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>
<b>20</b>	Tues	7:30pm	St Mary's	<b>PCC Meeting</b>

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