



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 13th May

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

4-6pm Messy Church

Wednesday 16th May

7.45am Morning Prayer

Sunday 20th May

8am BCP Holy Communion

Stewart Timbrell

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

6pm Evensong

Wednesday 23rd May

7.45am Morning Prayer

Sunday 27th May

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 3rd June

8am BCP Holy Communion

Stewart Timbrell

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 10th June

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 17th June

8am BCP Holy Communion

10am Joint with the Methodist Church at the Methodist Church

6pm Evensong

Vision Lunch - 6th May

Thank you to all who helped make the **Vision Lunch** a success. We explored where we all live and spend our time – our frontline. Then we shared fellowship and food out in the wonderful sunshine. Afterwards we spent time listening to God in different ways, acknowledging that whilst God has the big picture, he gives us each pieces of that picture to fit together like a jigsaw. It was also lovely to have some of younger members with us and to hear their thoughts about where God might be leading us. Do add yourself to our frontline map in church. **Stephen**

Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid Week starts on this **Sunday 13th May**, so many of you will have received a red envelope through the door, please have it ready when the collector comes, please pray for the collectors, mostly members from our Churches. If you would like to give and have not received one there are some at the back of the church or you could sponsor me for the C.A. sponsored walk on the 12th. **Sheila Newnham**

Ladders to the Belfry

The tower is used much more than it has been in previous years due to the increased number of ringers we have and we are improving our ringing every week. Some of our practices are held on silenced bells which means we have to go up into the bell tower to put silencers on the 6 bells. We are therefore using the ladders up to the belfry on a regular basis. It is very cumbersome to move the current ladders around the tower, extend them and then there is the health and safety aspect! We are planning to get some permanent ladders installed which will make accessing the bell chamber easier and safer.

On **Saturday 21st July** we will be holding a **Fundraising** event to raise funds towards this. There will be activities for all the family and not necessarily as a bell ringer. Also, we hope to offer a Ploughman's lunch. Many of our bellringers will be there to meet visitors but we are also looking for helpers with the lunches. I am aware that we are asking for helpers for the Cream Teas at the moment but if you are available for an hour or so it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Debbie on 01202 632858. Many thanks.

Debbie

News Sheet

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

Contacts

Vicar

Stephen Partridge
01929 459444
vicar@smlm.co.uk

PCC Vice Chairman

Bill Carter
01202 625296
churchbuilding@smlm.co.uk

Church Wardens

wardens@smlm.co.uk

Elizabeth Carter
01202 625296 or
07815 953508
(emergency or texts)

Mat Riddell
07743 720175

Church Administrator

Annie Mitchener
01202 622512
07831 129201

News Sheet and Website

Debbie Phipps
01202 632858
newsheet@smlm.co.uk

Prayers

prayer@smlm.co.uk

Social Media

Facebook

www.facebook.com/StMarysLM

Twitter

<https://twitter.com/StMarysLM>

Prayer Focus

For our Prayers

- Jeanette Gillard
- Those facing change
- The Power Lab group meeting Wednesdays
- Cheeky Monkeys meeting Mondays
- 21st May Church Wardens sworn in
- 22nd May PCC
- 23rd May Deanery Synod

Fundraising

The warmer weather makes us think about gardens and sitting outside in the fresh air. So, come to our first cream tea on June 10th 2.30-5pm at the church. Grab a plant for the garden, and treat yourself to a yummy tea...if it should rain, the church provides an ideal shelter in which to enjoy your treat. The team will be asking for help with this fundraising event. Thank you, in anticipation, for your generous support.

On July (6-8th) we are holding a flower festival. 'A Fanfare of Flowers'. This will be a colourful and creative event, led by our talented flower arrangers. We are asking local groups, businesses and individuals if they would like to sponsor this event. If you feel you would like to sponsor, either a full arrangement or part arrangement, please contact Ann who will be happy to speak to you (01202 625635) or speak to any of the fundraising team.

Thank you for your continued support, all monies raised will go towards the upkeep and repair of our historic church.
The Fundraising Team

Diary Dates

May

Sun	13 th	4-6pm	St Mary's	Messy church
	13-19			Christian Aid week

[St Mary's Calendar](#)