



St Mary's News

"One Church Worshipping in Different ways"

Sunday 18th August

8am BCP Holy Communion
Stewart Timbrell

10:00 am Joint service with
Methodists and @11
Methodist Preacher

11am No @11 service

6pm Evensong
Stewart Timbrell

Wednesday 21st August

7.45am Morning Prayer

Sunday 25th August

8am BCP Holy Communion
Lynn Bowerman

9:30am Holy Communion
Stewart Timbrell

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 1st September

8am BCP Holy Communion
Stewart Timbrell

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

6pm Praise and Prayer

Wednesday 4th September

7.45am Morning Prayer

Sunday 8th September

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion
with Prayer Ministry available

11am St Mary's @11

Wednesday 11th September

7.45am Morning Prayer

Sunday 15th September

8am BCP Holy Communion
Stewart Timbrell

10am Joint with Methodists at
the Methodist chapel

11am St Mary's @11

6pm Evensong

Welcome to the St Mary's Church family

We are a diverse Church community meeting in and for our village

Ride and Stride – 14th September 2019

On 14th September I would love to lead a group from St Mary's on a short cycle ride round the local area. I am open to suggestions but a possibility would be to go from St Mary's Church across to Sturminster Marshall, then via Shapwick up to the Tarrant valley. Once we've sampled the lovely apple cake in the various churches along the valley, we can make our way home for lunch. If anyone needs some bike maintenance or to borrow a bike then let me know, I'm happy to help mend punctures, oil chains etc. Do let me know if you are willing and able to join us.

Stephen

Cream Teas

Well... what a summer for cream teas! We have had bumper numbers visiting our church as well as different 'themes' for our teas. The sale of plants, viewing of art and seeing 51 teddies scaling the height of the tower and bravely zip wiring down! Over £1700 was raised for the repair and upkeep of the church. The fundraising team, who mainly organise these events, want to say thank you to our generous congregation and friends for all support received. Without a wider offer of help, we could not run teas as we do. So, bakers, makers, helpers and tea drinkers a very big 'thank you'! **The Fundraising Team**

Dismantling of Bells

After nearly a year of Grant Applications, open events and Fundraising Events we have reached the week when our bells are going to be dismantled and taken to Taylor's of Loughborough for restoration. The easy parts such as clappers, stays, sliders and wheels will be taken out by our local band and other volunteer labour on Friday 16th. Then the week beginning 19th August will see other volunteer labour along with a bellhanger from Taylor's taking out the rest of the fittings apart from the frame. We will have the opportunity over 3-4 days of viewing the bells when they are returned and before they are lifted up into the tower in late November/early December. However Bill and Elizabeth will open the church on Thursday 22nd evening between 6 and 7 assuming all goes well with the dismantling if anyone is interested in popping in then.

Debbie Phipps

News Sheet

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Prayer Focus

Give thanks for

- A well attended and received Cream tea and fun with the Teddy Zipwire
- Rita and Arthur's Platinum (70th) Wedding Anniversary

Prayers for

- Bill and Elizabeth going to help at camp
- Michael and Francis running a camp
- The bells being taken out, for the safety of those working and that the works are straightforward
- Those leading or helping at summer camps and for the young people hearing the good news of Jesus

The Alpha Course – starts in September

I would love to work with someone as a co-leader for this course, especially someone who might help coordinate the puddings each week.

What is Alpha? Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian Faith.

Who is it for? Alpha is for anyone who is curious. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. No question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you wish.

How does it work? Alpha is eleven Sunday evening sessions and one session being a Saturday morning. Each session includes food, a short DVD talk and discussion at the end where you can share your thoughts and ask questions. At any point, if you think Alpha isn't for you, that's no problem. There's no pressure, no follow up and no charge.

How much is it? There's no charge for Alpha, though you are welcome to make a contribution to the food if you continue with the course.

The next course starts at 7.30pm Sunday 8th September 2019 at The Rectory. Stephen

Diary Dates

[St Mary's Calendar](#)

August

19-23		St Mary's	Bells taken down
Wed 28 th	12-1:30pm	Methodist	Churches together Lunch

September

Tues 3 rd	7.30pm	St Mary's	PCC
9 th	Small Groups, fortnightly Mon/Weds 7.30-9.30		
14 th			Ride and Stride