



# St Mary's News

"One Church Worshipping in Different ways"

## During September

**8am** in church AND online  
**9:30** in church AND online  
**@11** in church AND online

*Depending on COVID updates any of these could be changed but we would notify you through our Newsheet mailings*

## Sunday 6th September

**8am** BCP Holy Communion  
**9:30am** Holy Communion  
**11am** St Mary's @11

## Sunday 13th September

**8am** BCP Holy Communion  
**9:30am** Holy Communion  
**11am** St Mary's @11

## Sunday 20th September

**8am** BCP Holy Communion  
**9:30am** Holy Communion  
**11am** St Mary's @11

## Sunday 27th September

**8am** BCP Holy Communion  
**9:30am** Holy Communion  
**11am** St Mary's @11

## Sunday 4th October

**8am** BCP Holy Communion  
**9:30am** Holy Communion  
**11am** St Mary's @11

## Sunday 11th October

**8am** BCP Holy Communion  
**9:30am** Holy Communion  
**11am** St Mary's @11

[www.smlm.co.uk/livestream/](http://www.smlm.co.uk/livestream/)

## ZOOM Coffee

10:45 St Mary's Coffee  
Click on **ZOOM** above or  
Meeting ID: 509 117 4507

Welcome to the St Mary's Church family  
We are a diverse Church community meeting in and for our village

## The Alpha Online Course

**Starting on Monday 21st Sept at 7.30pm**

**What is it?** 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. Alpha attendees usually come because someone has invited them, have a think about who you might like to invite.

**How does it work?** This year Alpha is going online for the first time. The details are still being finalized but there will be about eleven weekly sessions roughly following this pattern:

10 minute welcome and introduction led by Stephen  
30 minute film to watch introducing an aspect of the Christian faith.  
30 minute discussion, not 'grill the vicar' but a chance to discuss, with others, some big questions in a relaxed, respectful environment.

5 minute A short wrapping up time led by Stephen.

There will also be a longer 2½ hour session on a Saturday morning mid-way through the course. 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. But for those who join we can continue the discussion through the week via email if needed.

**Contact Stephen, if you are interested in assisting on Alpha, or if you are interested in joining the course.**

## @11 is returning

We have decided to begin meeting as an @11 community again in September. We will be meeting in Church at 11am on a Sunday for a compact time of fellowship, worship, teaching and prayer. More details will follow but we hope to meet on **6th September** for a mainly social gathering, with chairs and tables set out to comply with the latest guidance and regulations. Please let Stephen know if you are coming and how many in your household/bubble.

**Stephen**

## 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/>

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## Social Media

### Facebook

[www.facebook.com/StMarysLM](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysLM)

### Bellringing Facebook

[www.facebook.com/bellringingsmlm](http://www.facebook.com/bellringingsmlm)

### Twitter

<https://twitter.com/StMarysLM>

## Give thanks

- For the kindness, love and support given to those in our community since lockdown began

## Pray for

- All returning to school and that they will soon settle in and be kept safe from the virus
- The bereaved to feel the peace and comfort of God

## Ride + Stride

Ride + Stride will take place this year on **Saturday 12th September** 2020. Churches may not be open, refreshments and WCs may not be available and participants may have to self record their own efforts. This is to minimise any risk of infection between people or contamination of churches. However it will still be an opportunity for a great day out in Dorset, on bikes, horses or on foot to raise some much needed funds for your church and churches across the county.

**Thank you for supporting this event in previous years. As a church we have received a number of grants from them recently and will be fielding a team of riders and striders again this year. If you would like to help organise a team of riders or striders, or just take part, please get in touch.**

***There will be a box for clearly labelled donations/pledges at church (Cheques payable to PCC of St Marys. See the previous news sheet for more information Stephen***

## Produce Sale

We are delighted to say that the final takings for the Produce Sale was **£322.31**. Thank you to all our helpers and purchasers.  
*Fundraising Team*

## September 5th

There is a wedding at St Mary's which will mean some chairs will be put to one side, to be quarantined on Sunday morning. Do pray for the couple who have postponed their wedding from April. **Stephen**

## Church Calendar

<https://www.smlm.co.uk/events/calendar/>

September			
5th	2pm	Wedding	St Mary's
6th		@11 returns	St Mary's
12th		Ride and Stride	
20th every Sunday evening for 11 weeks	7:30	Alpha begins	Online