

Welcome to the St Mary's Church family

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

## Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November

**8am** BCP Holy Communion

*Stewart Timbrell*

**9:30am** Holy Communion  
and Baptism

**11am** @11

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November

**8am** BCP Holy Communion

**10am** Remembrance Service  
in Village Hall

## Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November

**8am** BCP Holy Communion

*Stewart Timbrell*

**10am** Worship Service  
with Methodists

**No** @11

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November

**8am** BCP Holy Communion

**9:30am** Holy Communion

**11am** @11

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

[St Mary's Calendar](#)

## Would you like to be confirmed?

The Baptism of a child is a wonderful chance to welcome a whole family into the Church, and a reminder of our own baptismal vows. The Church of England also has a service for those that were baptised as young children to step up and profess their faith for themselves – this is what happens at a **Service of Confirmation**, where the Bishop then 'confirms' this faith with the laying on of hands. In the past this service was seen as the gateway to receiving Holy Communion, but, more recently, churches have recognised that not everyone was given the chance to get confirmed, and so a more open Communion table is practised.

This now means that people can choose to be confirmed at all ages from 7 to 97, after some appropriate preparation. I have heard that early next year there is a service of Confirmation being led by Bishop Karen, in the Deanery, at St Luke's Parkstone - on 29th January at 5pm. If anyone is interested in being confirmed then do please speak to me, or chat to Jayne about her experience of being confirmed as an adult.

**Stephen**

## East Dorset Branch Ringing Practice

The first 'Live' ringing practice was held on a sunny afternoon on 9th October at **Lytchett Matravers**. Of the 30 attendees, 12 were from Lytchett Matravers. Branch Secretary Cathy Neyland who is also a Lytchett Matravers ringer, organised the practice down to the last detail. Branch Chairman Ben Duke ran the ringing from rounds to Bob Doubles and Bob Minor. This was followed by a service led by our vicar Stephen. Stephen's talk was based on the reading from **1 Corinthians** chapter 1 vv 12-27 - titled, '**One Body Many Parts**'. He related this to how we need all our body parts to work together, if one fails this can have an effect on the whole body. As with our bells if one of the parts is not working the bells will not ring properly – referring to the clapper, wheel and headstock. So as with our bodies the bells depend on all parts working together as one. Stephen stayed on to enjoy a delicious tea made by all the Lytchett Matravers ringers and organised by **Ann Manning** and **Helen Gorman**. Helen then featured during the meeting as she was welcomed as a new full member of the Branch. Helen comes all the way from Bournemouth for practices and early on a Sunday morning to ring for our services.

**Bellringers**

## Cheeky Monkeys

Margaret (who runs the group) is keen to have some Church members along to chat and serve coffee. If you can help on a **Thursday afternoon** in the Village Hall from 1pm-2.30pm during term time please speak to Stephen, Ann or Elizabeth.

**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>

## Prayers

### Pray for

- The dearly departed as we approach All Souls, and comfort and peace for those left behind
- Us all as we seek to love our neighbours as we love ourselves, and in so doing we show our love for God

## Sign up for the knitted Nativity

It is that time again when **Angela** and **Karen** are busy knitting new sheep to travel with our **Knitted Nativity** set as it journeys around Lytchett. Last year the travelling was curtailed and our wonderful set spent **Advent** in the window of Turner's estate agents. This year we hope, with appropriate precautions, that Mary and Joseph, et al, will ride again! Look out for the signup sheet which will be in church during November. **Stephen**

## Christmas Wreath Making

### Thursday 2nd December 10-1pm

Pre booking for this event is vital, numbers will be limited. The cost is £20, to include materials, expert advice and morning refreshments. Booking taken up until Wednesday **November 17th**. Contact **Ann Robinson** or **Ann Manning**

## Chequers Christmas Market

### December 4th

We will have our ever popular lucky dip, a prize every time! So, for this event we would like your unwanted toiletries, or ornaments, objects suitable for a lucky dip. **Please note new items only.**

A box will be by the bell tower for any donations.

Help on the day would be appreciated to 'man' the stall. Contact Jackie (01202632298 or [Jackie.cannings@btinternet.com](mailto:Jackie.cannings@btinternet.com)) if you can generosity help for a short time between 12-3pm.

## Evergreen Christmas

### December 10/11

The church will be open for two days having been decorated, by our talented flower arrangers, to celebrate the season. Help on the day, and with refreshments, will be appreciated. Please contact **Ann Robinson** or **Jackie** if you can help.

A busy time ahead, when, with your help, we can welcome visitors into our historic church. With our thanks...

**The Fundraising Team**

## Church Calendar

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

### NOVEMBER

9 <sup>th</sup>	PCC meeting	St Mary's
10 <sup>th</sup> at 7pm	The Miracle Flower from Flanders to the Tower	St Mary's
14 <sup>th</sup> at 10am	Remembrance Service	Village Hall