



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 4th September

8am BCP Holy Communion

Stewart Timbrell

9:30am Holy Communion

No @11

12.30pm Bring and Share BBQ at the Rectory

Sunday 11th September

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am CW Holy Communion

@11 All-Age Worship

Sunday 18th September

8am BCP Holy Communion

Stewart Timbrell

10am United Worship service at Methodists

No @11

5pm Forest Church @ Adventure Pirate

6pm Evensong

Sunday 25th September

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am CW Holy Communion and Baptism

@11 All-Age Worship

All morning services also available online

www.smlm.co.uk/livestream/

[St Mary's Calendar](#)

Cream Teas and Shopping in the Past

Thank you to everyone who came to enjoy reading about our village history and maybe even having a tasty Cream Tea after. We welcomed more than usual with over 90 visitors and we raised £473.75 for the running and upkeep of the church. Thank you to the U3A History group for putting together such an interesting display and to all the helpers from the History Group and those baking, preparing, serving and washing up for the teas.

This is our last Cream Tea for this year but the fundraising team are now busy organising an Italian Night and Sustainable Christmas event. Cream Teas will return next year in June with the usual plants.

Fundraising Team

Alpha in the Daytime

I love leading the Alpha Course each year and am looking forward to this Autumn's course starting later in September. This year, for the first time, the course will be during the daytime – on a **Tuesday morning** from **10-12noon**. I am still negotiating a location but it is possible that some or all the sessions will be in the **Methodist Chapel**.

Alpha is a series of 11 sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation, we watch a short video about a particular faith question, we have some refreshments and then ask questions and explore together. Alpha is suitable for anyone who has questions about the Christian faith – whatever age or stage you're at everyone is welcome. Why not take this opportunity to bring your questions and explore the meaning of life? Even better – why don't you ask a friend or neighbour if they would like to join you on the course – it might just change their life.

See <https://www.smlm.co.uk/alpha/> for more details or contact **Stephen**

New term new start

We will be starting a fortnightly small group on a **Thursday morning** in the village. We plan to mix the time between bible study and coffee and chat. Starting **22nd September**.

Anyone interested in coming along do contact us for further information. **David Mason. 07703121071** or

email familydmason@yahoo.com

David and Ruth

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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Prayers

Give thanks

- to our loving Father who provides for us

Pray For

- all who are concerned about the cost of living increases
- those returning to school or university

A New kitchen?

Thanks to a generous gift we are able to think about redesigning the kitchen area and are beginning to explore ideas. On

Wednesday 7th Sept at 7.30pm we will have an open meeting where people can come and share any ideas they have. If you are unable to attend but have some thoughts then please feel free to email them to **Elizabeth** at clevegoldcarters@yahoo.co.uk.

Save the Date - Saturday 1st October

Churches Together **Harvest Supper**.

An evening fish and chip supper in the Village Hall.

More details and tickets available soon.

Followed by our **Harvest Festival Sunday 2nd October**.

Italian Evening

Friday 14th October, 7pm at St Mary's Church.

An 'Italian Evening' where a delicious Italian meal will be served, to include a quiz. This is a ticket only event **Cost £15**.

If you would like to order your ticket please phone

01202 623635 or **01202 625635**

Fundraising Team

Church Calendar

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

SEPTEMBER		
7 th 7:30pm	New Kitchen meeting	St Mary's
22 nd	Small Group	TBC
OCTOBER		
1 st	Harvest Supper	Village hall
2 nd	Harvest Festival Sunday	St Mary's
10 th	Italian Evening	St Mary's