

News and Notices

Holidays—Please note Rev Ian is now away until 23rd August. Rev Trevor Hubble will be in pastoral charge of the church while Rev Ian is on holiday (including funerals). Please contact him on his mobile 07759 310524.

Holy Ladies—This week we commemorate two great Christian women. On Wednesday, Mary Sumner (1828-19210, founder of the Mother's Union, a radical idea at the time as it brought women together from all social classes. On Friday we remember St. Clare of Assisi (1194-1253) who founded the Poor Ladies a monastic order in the Franciscan tradition. She was the first woman to write a set of monastic rules. She is the patron saint (amongst other things) of goldsmiths, embroiders and good weather!

Holiday Club— Diana Bolton and the team are still looking for the following: margarine cartons, kitchen roll centres, scraps of fabric, unwanted construction toys and table games. Also it's not too late to put your child's name down so please speak to Diana for more information.

Tea Room— They are desperately short of people on Saturdays. If you feel you can commit regularly to helping, not necessarily every week, please contact Judy Sherry on 02392 324772.

More Cake Needed— Thank you to everyone who bakes for the Tea Room, however there are still days where we need more especially Thursday's with the lunchtime concerts. Please contact Judy Sherry to find out when you can help, 02392 324772.

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Upcoming Events for your Diary

Lunchtime Concerts—This Thursday 10th August at 1pm we welcome Baroque Ad Hoc who will be playing music by Handal, Vivaldi and Joplin arranged for harpsichord and recorder.

Rev Mark's Licensing— will be at St. Paul's, Shanklin on Sunday 20th August at 4pm. If you have paid for coach travel then the coach will depart at 11.45am from the Castle Car Park, arriving back at 9.15pm.

High Tea—this will be taking place on Monday 28th August at 2pm here at church and will be a bring and share. Hopefully it will be outside so fingers crossed for a Bank Holiday with sunshine!



Alpha Course—this starts on Wednesday 13th September and the Team are looking for 'cooks' to help prepare and serve food. If you can help please contact Judy Sherry on 02392 324772 to discuss what is required.

Harp Concert - This will be on Friday 22nd September at 7.30pm and will now include the wonderful flautist Anna Stokes. To allow everyone a good view there will be 40 fewer seats available. Tickets are on sale now, £8/£6 OAP.

SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST 2017

THE TRANSFIGURATION



At St Mary's we are a people of Prayer, learning and growing in faith together. Our vision is to be a caring and welcoming church family who reach out with the love of God into our local community and the world.

THE CLERGY

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This Sunday

Welcome to St Mary's this morning!
Please remember to remove your cars promptly after the service and unfortunately there are no refreshments today.

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School
2.15pm Tea and Company (Parish Hall)

Collect for the Transfiguration

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. Amen

SUNDAY'S READINGS

Daniel 7. 9-10 and 13-14
2 Peter 1. 16-19
Luke 9. 28-36

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Genesis 37. 1-4 and 12-28
Romans 10. 5-15
Matthew 14. 22-33

Dates for Next Week

Morning Prayer at 9am Monday to Friday

MONDAY 7TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 30/Ezekiel 28.1-19
6.15pm Bell Ringing

TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 36/Ezekiel 33.1-20
7.30pm Steps to recovery

WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST—MARY SUMNER

MPR: Psalm 34/Ezekiel 33.21-end
10am –12noon Market outreach stall (Precinct)
6.30pm Holy Communion

THURSDAY 10TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 37/Ezekiel 34.1-16
10am – 2.00pm Holiday Club 'Daring Doers'
(Scout Hut, Chalky Walk)
1.00pm Lunchtime Concert—Baroque Ad Hoc
7.30pm Choir Practice

FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST— ST. CLARE OF ASSISI

MPR: Psalm 31/Ezekiel 34.17-end
10.00am Holy Communion (Parish Hall)
1.30pm Wedding of Jamie Sweeney and
Jemma Wyse

SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 42/Ezekiel 36.16-36
12noon Wedding of Gary Clark and
Emma Carpenter
1.30pm Wedding of Lee O'Donovan and
Nikki Ayling
3.00pm Wedding of Marcin Zelazko and
Jayne Sawyer

SUNDAY 13TH AUGUST—TRINITY 9

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School

This Week's Prayers

Please remember the following in your prayers: for this parish - Pray for Rev Ian and all our clergy, for our readers, churchwardens and the PCC.

for other churches in the Fareham Deanery - For the Parish of St. Peter's, Titchfield, their clergy, reader, churchwardens and parish co-ordinator. Let us pray for a well deserved rest for their young people's leaders during the summer and for wisdom and direction for adjusting the position of the organ. Let us give thanks for the successful launch of St. Peter's as a 'Heritage Church' and all those who ensured everything went smoothly.

for our Parish (Portchester and Port Solent) - Ashtead Close, Harbour Close, Hill Road, Carbis Close and Robinson Court.

for the world around us— Let us pray that peace will someday be restored in the world's war torn countries. We especially remember Syria, Yemen and the Ukraine.

for those who are ill - Margaret Andrews, Adele King, Clare Langridge, Katie Palmer, Pat Poil and Dorothy Whittingham

for those who have died— In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust those who have died this week.

If you know of anyone in the parish who is ill, please let one of the Ministry Team know.

The flowers in church this week are in memory of *Maureen Tomlinson and Leonard Michael May*

"We become what we love and who we love shapes what we become. If we love things, we become a thing. If we love nothing, we become nothing...This means we are to become vessels of God's compassionate love for others."

(St. Clare of Assisi)