

News and Notices

Morning Prayer and Wednesday evening—

Please remember these services are in the New Room from this week.

"**War & Peace**" - this booklet with details about the people on our war memorial is available from the back of the church, Tea Room and the church office. Price is £2.

Tea Room - Sadly as there has not been many offers of help to open the tea room it will be closed on the second Sunday of every month. Thank you to those who are opening it ? Contact Hazel after church or in the office if you can help.



Carol Concerts and Services— Thank you to everyone who gave up their time to help during December at the many services, carol concerts and on Christmas Day.

Shawls— thank you to all our shawl knitters. At the moment we have loads and no christenings until after Easter next year.

Prayers for the Persecuted Church— this will be held at 10 Portchester Heights.

Hampshire Police Male Voice Choir Friday 26 April 2019 - Tickets are available in Church or the office.

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Church Services— Remember today is the last Sunday we are in St Marys until after the new heating system has been installed. From next Sunday we will meet in Portchester Community School for our 8am, 10am and 11.30am services until completion. Yes this is change but we are the Church, the building is just our protection from the rain and cold.

Events for January

- 13th Jan Services at Portchester Community School until March
- 20th Jan Portchester Churches Together Week of Christian Unity (Methodist Church)
- 22nd Jan Meeting re Young People (New Room)
- 23rd Jan PCC Meeting
- 25th Jan Burns Night (Parish Hall)
- 26th Jan Wedding Preparation 10-12 (New Room)



SUNDAY 6TH JANUARY 2019

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

St Mary's



Portchester

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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Do call in if you'd like information on any aspect of parish life, to buy tickets for an event, or to book a baptism or a wedding.

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This Sunday

Welcome to St Mary's this morning!
Please stay for refreshments in the New Room after the 10.00am services.

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School

Collect for Epiphany Sunday

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 60. 1-6
Ephesians 3. 1-12
Matthew 2. 1-12

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 43. 1-7
Acts 8. 14-17
Luke 3. 15-17, 21-22

Dates for This Week

Morning Prayer at 9am Monday to Friday

MONDAY 7TH JANUARY

MPR: Psalm 99/Isaiah 63. 7-end
6.15pm Bell Ringing

TUESDAY 8TH JANUARY

MPR: Psalm 46/Isaiah 64
7.30pm Christmas Review Meeting (The Vicarage)

WEDNESDAY 9TH JANUARY

MPR: Psalm 148/Isaiah 65.1-16
10.30am St Mary's Lambs (New Room)
6.30pm Holy Communion (New Room)

THURSDAY 10TH JANUARY

MPR: Psalm 149/Isaiah 65. 17-end
9.30am Staff Meeting (new Room)
3.30pm Messy Church
7.30pm Choir Practice
Standing Committee

FRIDAY 11TH JANUARY—MARY SLESSOR, MISSIONARY

MPR: Psalm 150/Isaiah 66. 1-11
10.00am Holy Communion (Parish Hall)
2.30pm Prayers for the Persecuted Church
3.30pm Pastoral Assistants Meeting (Vicarage)
7.30pm Exploring Baptism

SATURDAY 12TH JANUARY

MPR: Psalm 96/Isaiah 66. 12-23
8.00am Men's Breakfast
10.30am House Group Leaders meeting (Parish Hall)

ALL SUNDAY SERVICES IN PORTCHESTER COMMUNITY

SCHOOL FROM TODAY

SUNDAY 13TH JANUARY—THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist with Sunday School
11.30am Later Morning Service

This Week's Prayers

Please remember the following in your prayers: for this parish - Let us pray for Rev Ian and for all those involved with the many Christmas services and activities involved to make Christmas special at St Marys.

for other churches in the Fareham Deanery -

For the Parish of St John the Evangelist, Fareham— We pray for all of their staff team and volunteers who give their time and talents. We give thanks for the light party at Halloween and the Church Away day. We pray for the "mission of the month program of charity-giving, prayer support and educational promotion, the development of the proposed debt advice centre and the proposed Fareham Churches Together Lent course.

for our Parish (Portchester and Port Solent) -

The Precinct shops, The schools of Portchester, The Castle and Port Solent Boardwalk.

for the world around us— we pray for all areas of the world that are at war or suffering from natural disasters.

for those who are ill - Kelly Avery, Sally James, Pat Poil, Keith Robins, Jacqui Wheatley, June Grant and David Williams

for those who have died— Charles King

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

Remain humble, remain simple. The more you are so, the more good you will do. Vianney