

News and Notices

Remembrance Weekend—Saturday 7th November

10:30am: This will be the main service for veterans (and their carers) civic dignitaries and folk not belonging to St Mary's. It will be a 30-minute service and will involve laying wreaths at the church's war memorial. As we don't know how many might turn up for this, we are having to limit it to 100 people and you have to pre-book through the Emma at the Office. **We will need about 4 stewards/sidespeople for that day**, so if you can help, please contact one of the Churchwardens or Emma at the office.

Sunday 8th November 10:30am: This will be our normal morning service mainly for St Mary's members and their families and friends. Our preacher that day is Colin Chalmers a member of our church who currently serves in the Royal Navy.

Bush Craft & Rocket Launch—St Mary's is pleased to welcome families to our first Bush Craft event on Saturday 7th November, 10:00am-12:00pm. Billy Bean (a L3 Forest School Practitioner) will be offering Young People (4-16) an opportunity to set a camp fire, whittle wood, erect a hammock and get brewing on a Kelly Kettle. We'll be roasting marshmallows and making hot-dogs for Brunch and Rob Rolfe (from the CONNECT Team) will be launching rockets. All activities will Covid 19 Risk Assessed. For more information contact davidsimpson115@gmail.com. Venue: follow the drive to the right of the Vicarage, 164 Castle Street. All welcome.



Connect—There will be no CONNECT on Friday this week as we have our bush craft event. It will continue back at the Parish Hall on Friday 13 November.

Family Café Church—We are excited for our first Family Café Church starting on November 8th. There will be all age worship, activities for the children, something for the adults, and food! Due limited space and catering numbers please pre-book with Carol, Pauline or Emma. If you have already booked, please let us know of any dietary requirements.

News & Covid-19 Guidelines

Tea room News—Volunteers are still required for Sundays and during the week. Please speak to Ron or any of the volunteers in the tea room for more information.

Tripadvisor—Ron and the tea room team continue to receive great reviews: "We visited the tea rooms today for the first time since the beginning of the year. Absolutely fantastic service from all the staff it was amazing. All children were straight away offered a free packed lunch. We ordered food and of course cake. All homemade and absolutely delicious. They have covid precautions in place which went smoothly. Thank you all for your kind service the kids loved it and their Spiderman sticker. Will be back soon" Well done tea room team!

For those attending services at the Parish Hall, or for any service held inside St. Mary's, please help us by following the guidelines below.

Covid-19 guidelines will include, but not limited to:

- Please use hand sanitiser provided when entering the building.
- Please bring your name and phone number on a slip of paper for Track and Trace. If you forget, your details will be taken by one of the welcomers.
- Face coverings are required to be worn by all over the age of 11.
- Please keep a safe distance of 2 meters from those not in your bubble.
- Seating will be designated to arrange social distancing. We may have to ask you to sit in a particular seat. Please do not move seats.
- Personal service sheets will be used, please bring these back each week to be used again
- Communion will continue to be bread only and will be brought to your seat.
- We encourage you once you come in, to go straight to your seat and remain there. Please do not congregate at the back of the church or in the aisles.
- Please follow exiting instructions from welcomers and wardens. Each row will be advised when and where to leave.

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2020

ALL SAINT'S DAY

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.

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(During this period the office is closed, however appointments can be made during office hours if needed.

Any post will be collected and phone calls and e-mails will go straight to Emma who is mostly working from home).

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This Sunday

Welcome to St Mary's this morning!

The Tea Room will be open for refreshments, once the Church has been sanitised.

Please come back for a complementary drink after 12:30pm.

- 8:00am Holy Communion**
Celebrant and Preacher: Rev David Simpson
- 10:30am All Saint's Day Eucharist** (with incense)
Celebrant and Preacher: Rev David Simpson
- 6:00pm Evening Service:**
"Toward the fullness of time"
Worship: "Festival of Lights" (Hanukkah)
(This service is held at the Parish Hall, there are two spaces left for this new series. Please see Rev Ian if you would like to attend)

Collect for All Saint's Day

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen

SUNDAY'S READINGS

Revelation 7.9-end
1 John 3. 1-3
Matthew 5. 1-12

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Micah 4:1-5
John 15:1-5

Dates for This Week

MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

MPR: Psalm 2/Daniel 1

- 9:00am Morning Prayer
6:15pm Bell Ringing
7:30pm Hand Bells (New Room)

TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

MPR: Psalm 5/Daniel 2.1-24

- 6:45pm The Alpha Course

WEDNESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

MPR: Psalm 9/Daniel 2.25-end

- 9:00am Morning Prayer
6:30pm Holy Communion

THURSDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

MPR: Psalm 15/Daniel 3.1-18

- 9:30am Contemplative Prayer

FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER—WILLIAM TEMPLE

MPR: Psalm 16/Daniel 3.19-end

- 9:00am Morning Prayer
10:00am Holy Communion (Parish Hall)

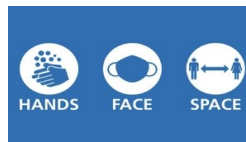
SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

MPR: Psalm 18.31-end/Daniel 4.1-18

- 10:00am Youth Bush Craft Event (see notices)
10:30am Remembrance Service (see notices)

SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER—REMEMBRANCE DAY

- 8:00am Holy Communion
10:30am Remembrance Service
4:00pm Family Café Church
6:00pm Evening Service (Parish Hall)



Vicar's day off this week: Monday

This Week's Prayers

Please remember the following in your prayers: for this parish—Let us pray for Rev Ian, our clergy, readers, staff, churchwardens, treasurer and members of the PCC. Pray for those attending the Alpha course, Remembrance services, bush craft event and family café church this week.

for other churches in the Fareham Deanery—This week the Deanery will be praying for the Parish of Ss Peter and Paul, Fareham—Pray for their clergy and wardens. They give thanks that the sacraments of holy Church continue to be celebrated in their parish church, for the faithfulness of the congregation, for all who serve, and for those who regularly join their on-line worship. Pray also for their PCC and newly elected members, for those participating in their Bible study/Reflection group and that they make the right choices post Covid 19

for our Parish (Portchester and Port Solent—Mountview Avenue, Redwood Drive, Lock Approach, The Fairway and Gladstone Gardens.

for the world around us—We pray for the United States as they elect a president this week. We pray for the voters and for a safe and fair election, we pray for the candidates, advisors and leaders, and for the media covering the event.

for those who are ill or recovering—Maureen Raven, Gus Moody, Sadie Battley, Cynthia Martin, Brian Smith, and Jacqui Wheatley.

for those who have died—Into 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.

