

News and Notices

Plant Sale—Thank you to all who supported Saturday's Plant sale organised by Carol Gay and her family we raised over £600 which will be divided between Macmillan Cancer Support and St Mary's Church. Thanks also to Sheila for selling her home-made preserves and Nell with her chutneys. It was great to see some of the youngsters helping and making great salesmen!

St Mary's Branch of the MU (Mothers Union)—The Portchester Mothers' Union Branch will be restarting next month. An invitation to attend an open event on Tuesday morning, 20 July at 10.30am to 12 noon in Portchester Parish (Small) Hall. Valerie Edmonds, MU Fareham & Gosport Deanery Co-ordinator, and Elizabeth Groves MU Diocesan President will be attending, and Rev Ian will be there. Please contact Janice Sargent on 01329 289741, leave a message or email sargent.jan@sky.com for more information.

Tea Room—Our visitor numbers are increasing month by month and we are in need of volunteers to join our team, even if just for a few hours or one day a week. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, give Ron a ring on 02392 325180. If you have visited the Tea Room recently, please consider leaving us a review on TripAdvisor.

Service Sheets—Please take home your service sheets, you can then bring them back and re-use them at the next Service of the Word or Parish Eucharist.

Woodland Court—The Woodland Court team was delighted to welcome Carol Gay. If anyone else would like to join us please contact Carol, Barbara Andrews, Bryan Jerrard, or Sylvia Hunns. In view of the latest information about covid, the next visit to Woodland Court will not now be until the first Wednesday in September.

News and Covid Guidelines

The **APCM** (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) will be held on Sunday 27th June at 11.45 in the church. At this meeting we will be electing new PCC members and Churchwardens. Please speak to Denise or Rev Ian for more information. Booklets are available to take today, please take one per family.

Prayers for the Persecuted Church—Please note that our next meeting has been rescheduled for Friday 2nd July at 2.30pm in the North Transept.

For those attending services please help us by following the guidelines below.

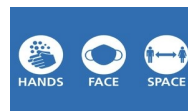
Covid-19 guidelines will include, but not limited to:

- 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.
- Face coverings are required to be worn by all over the age of 11.
- Seating will be designated to arrange social distancing. 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.
- Please do not congregate at the back of the church or in the aisles.

Covid home-testing lateral flow test kits are available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

You can order a pack of tests to allow for weekly testing at home.



SUNDAY 20TH JUNE 2021

TRINITY 3



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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Monday—Office Closed, please contact Emma, who will be working remotely via phone or email.

Tuesday-Friday—Office open 9.30am-2.30pm

During this time the Parish Hall doors may be locked, visits will still need to be pre-booked.

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This Sunday

Welcome to St Mary's this morning!

- 8:00am Holy Communion**
Celebrant and Preacher: Rev Ian Meredith
- 10:30am Service of the Word**
Leader: Emma Capps
Preacher: Pauline Gennings
- 11:45am Burial of Ashes—Maureen Raven**
- 6.00pm Evening Service - Parish Hall**
Worship and Teaching on
"The names of God"

Collect for Trinity 3

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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

1 Samuel 17 (1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49
2 Cor. 6.1-13
Mark 4.35-end

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

2 Samuel 1.1, 17—end
2 Cor. 8. 7-end
Mark 5. 21— end

Dates for This Week

ST. MARY'S WILL BE OPEN DAILY FROM 10.00AM-4.00PM

MONDAY 21ST JUNE

MPR: Psalm 71/Romans 11.25-end

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

TUESDAY 22ND JUNE

MPR: Psalm 73/Romans 12.1-8

WEDNESDAY 23RD JUNE—ETHELREDA OF ELY

MPR: Psalm 77/Romans 12.9-end

- 9:00am Morning Prayer
- 6.30pm Holy Communion

THURSDAY 24TH JUNE

MPR: Psalm 50/Malachi 3.1-6

- 9:30am Contemplative Prayer Group

FRIDAY 25TH JUNE

MPR: Psalm 55/Romans 13.8-end

- 9:00am Morning Prayer
- 10:00am Holy Communion (Parish Hall)
- 12:00pm Wedding of Nicolas Lee and Lucy Howe and Baptism of Emilia Lee
- 2:30pm Wedding of Nathan Carter and Jayne Burroughs
- 6:15pm CONNECT Youth Group (Parish Hall)

SATURDAY 26TH JUNE

MPR: Psalm 76/Romans 14.1-12

- 1:30pm Wedding of Marc Burton and Bianca Hoad

SUNDAY 27TH JUNE—TRINITY 4

- 8:00am Holy Communion
- 10:30am Parish Eucharist
- 11:45am APCM meeting at St. Mary's
- 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 and for those looking to serve on the PCC. We also pray for those volunteering in the Tea Room.

for other churches in the Fareham Deanery— This week the Deanery will be praying for the Parish of Whiteley —Pray for Philippa Mills, Amy Adeniran, Vikki Potts and Jo Vartan. They give thanks for Amy's return to work, for their annual meeting and for continued progress on the school and Chapel Space. Pray also for Whiteley Minis toddler group restarting outside this month, for preparations for the move in to the Chapel space and the relaunch of Whiteley Church as Hope Church Whiteley and for a new Foundation Governor for Cornerstone (needed now) and another in the autumn

for our Parish (Portchester and Port Solent—King George Road, Dore Avenue, Westbrook Road, Tudor Close and Port Way.

for the world around us—We pray for the 36 people injured during two car bomb explosions in Columbia at a military base near the country's border with Venezuela. Make your presence known in all the places where life precarious—yet still so precious. May all suffering and surviving in the midst of violence and terror feel the comforting embrace of the Holy Spirit.

for those who are ill or recovering—Sally Young, Bill Harris, Baby Ebony Sparks, Sophie Carnaghan, Peter Webb, Sue Hogg, Anelli.

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.