News and Notices

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.

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 will not now be until the 1st Wednesday in September.

High Tide Youth Event—Friday 16th July 6.00pm-8.30pm for ages 11-18 at St. Mary's. There will be crafts, music, inflatables, a BBQ, a chill out tent, worship and more! Please let Emma or Dan know if you would like to attend and they will send over the booking information.

Parking Charges—Fareham Borough Council are going to start charging £1 per hour after 10am for parking at both car parks by the castle, that will mean £2 per visit for Sunday services. It will not affect the 8.00am congregation but it will affect the 9.30am; 11.30am and Baptisms and weddings. The best we can do is to ask if the Council if they would consider free parking on a Sunday morning. You can take part in this public consultation until 16th July:

<u>Web site</u>: https://www.fareham.gov.uk/have_your_say E-mail: IRickman@Fareham.gov.uk

Phone: 01329 824409

<u>Write to</u>: Head of Environmental Health, Fareham Borough Council, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Fareham, PO16 7AZ or go to <u>Fareham Library</u> and they will help you to make an online comment.

News and Covid Guidelines

Junior Church—We are looking for new volunteers to join the Junior Church rota. Starting in September we hope to have children's activities at the 9.30am service and 11:30am service. If you are already volunteering or want to start, please join us for a meeting today following the Parish Eucharist.

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.

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 outside and Pews inside haven been arranged to allow for 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 4TH JULY 2021 TRINITY 5



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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For Churchwardens, Readers and other contacts see 'Who's Who' on notice board.

PARISH OFFICE

Parish Administrator: Emma Capps

Portchester Parish Hall, Assheton Court PO16 9PY 02392 321380 / stmaryoffice@btconnect.com 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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St Mary's Tea Room facebook.com/stmarystearoom

This Sunday

Welcome to St Mary's this morning!

8:00am Holy Communion

Celebrant and Preacher: Rev Ian Meredith

10:30am Parish Eucharist

Celebrant: Rev Anne Boggust Preacher: Rev Ian Meredith

11:45am Junior Church and Crèche Leaders

meeting in the North Transept

2:15pm Tea and Company—Parish Hall

Collect for Trinity 5

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

2 Samuel 5. 1-5, 9-10 2 Samuel 6. 1-5, 12b-19 2 Cor. 12.2-10 Ephesians 1.3-14 Mark 6. 1-13 Mark 6. 14-29

Dates for This Week

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

MONDAY 5TH JULY

MPR: Psalm 98/2 Corinthians 1.1-14

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

TUESDAY 6TH JULY

MPR: Psalm 106/2 Corinthians 1.15-2.4

WEDNESDAY 7TH JULY

MPR: Psalm 111/2 Corinthians 2.5-end

9:00am Morning Prayer6.30pm Holy Communion

THURSDAY 8TH JULY

MPR: Psalm 115/2 Corinthians 3

9:30am Contemplative Prayer Group

FRIDAY 9TH JULY

MPR: Psalm 139/2 Corinthians 4 9:00am Morning Prayer

10:00am Holy Communion (Parish Hall)6:15pm CONNECT Youth Group (St Mary's)

SATURDAY 10TH JULY

MPR: Psalm 121/2 Corinthians 5

1:30pm Wedding of Steven Herd & Melanie

Howell

3:00pm Wedding of Owen Riggs & Emily Boss

SUNDAY 11TH JULY—TRINITY 6

8:00am Holy Communion 10:30am Service of the Word

4:00pm Family Café Church (pre-booked)



Rev Ian will be on annual leave until July 20th

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.

for other churches in the Fareham Deanery—

This week the Deanery will be praying for the Parish of St John the Evangelist, Fareham—Pray for their clergy, readers, wardens, and Parish Administrator. They give thanks for making it through a really difficult year, for some relaxation of the covid-related rules and some more summery weather, for all the great work that has gone on to keep reaching one another and the wider community with the love of Jesus. Pray also for everyone involved as they 're-energise' church life as the country comes through the pandemic, for good decisions to help them grow in numbers, improvements to their financial position, and for a positive outcome to the Diocesan Reorganisation

for our Parish (Portchester and Port Solent—Jute Close, Vincent Grove, King John Avenue, Albion Close and Carne Place.

for the world around us—Let us pray for all those who are homeless wherever they are in the world and for all those who seek to provide support for them.

for those who are ill or recovering—Phil Rodway, David Edwards, Sally Young, Bill Harris, Baby Ebony Sparks, Sophie Carnaghan, Peter Webb, Sue Hogg, Annelli.

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