



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.

ST MARY'S CHURCH, PORTCHESTER
SUNDAY 1ST AUGUST AND SUNDAY 8TH AUGUST 2021

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TRINITY 9
SUNDAY 1ST AUGUST 2021

Welcome to St Mary's this morning!

- 8.00am** **Holy Communion**
Celebrant and Preacher: Rev Ian Meredith
- 10.30am** **Parish Eucharist**
Celebrant: Rev Phil Hiscock
Preacher: Rev Ian Meredith
- 2.00pm** **Wedding of Jack White and Lauren Keely**
- 2:15pm** **Tea and Company (Parish Hall)**

COLLECT FOR TRINITY 9

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace;
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.

TODAYS READINGS

2 Samuel 11.26-12.13a
Ephesians 4.1-16
John 6.24-35

NEXT SUNDAY'S READING

2 Samuel 18.5-9, 15, 31-33
Ephesians 4.25-5.2
John 6.35, 41-51

Prayers for the week of 1st August:

for this parish - Let us pray for Rev Ian and all the members of the staff team. We pray for all those who attend our events and services and for all our wedding couples this year.

for other churches in the Fareham Deanery -

For the Parish of St. Mary's, Hook with Warsash – Pray for their Clergy, Readers, Wardens, Families' Work Team and Office Team. They give thanks for good opportunities to celebrate and pray for the leavers in their Stay and Play mums' and

toddlers' group, and the Academy Year 6, as they move on to the next phase of life. For the opportunity for rest and recuperation for many over the summer period and for visiting clergy covering for Sundays and occasional offices, especially in the summer; Pray also for continued wisdom and time to hear God for all involved in the diocesan and deanery restructuring and preparations for their 150th Anniversary Services and Flower Festival.

for our Parish (Portchester and Port Solent) - Grindle Close, Marlborough Grove, Audret Close, Tattershall Crescent and Newlyn Way.

for the world around us—We pray for the world, our common home: that through God's grace we may hear its cry of the damage done and be moved to protect it for future generations to enjoy.

for those who are ill – Valerie Agar, Jacqui Wheatley, Antonia Morgan, Rosemary Peake, Margaret Ayling, Phil Rodway, David Edwards, Bill Harris, Sophie Carnaghan, Peter Webb, Sue Hogg, Anelli.

for those who have died— Peter White

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

Recent games and reflection time at CONNECT



Please keep these notices to be used for next weeks readings, prayers, collect and events.

TRINITY 10
SUNDAY 8th AUGUST 2021

Welcome to St Mary's this morning!

- 8.00am** **Holy Communion**
Celebrant and Preacher: Rev James Hair
- 10.30am** **Service of the Word**
Leader: Jeff Gennings
Preacher: Carol Gay
- 4.00pm** **Family Café Church**

COLLECT FOR TRINITY 10

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.

TODAYS READINGS

2 Samuel 18.5-9, 15, 31-33
Ephesians 4.25-5.2
John 6.35, 41-51

NEXT SUNDAY'S READING

1 Kings 2.10-12, 3.3-14
Ephesians 5.15-20
John 6.51-58

Prayers for the week of 8th August:

for this parish - Pray for Rev Ian, our clergy, readers, members of the PCC, staff and all those who give of their time to help the ministry and mission of our church.

for other churches in the Fareham Deanery -

For the Parish of SsPeter and Paul, Fareham – Pray for Fr Roger Jackson. They give thanks for those who have regularly worshipped with them throughout this last lockdown and for the gradual return of those who have, because of their own health, been forced to remain away from worship. They also give thanks for the good number of people who have been added to the congregation through worshipping with them

on-line. Pray also for this next transition period as they cautiously lift ongoing Covid restrictions and move towards a full resumption of their worshipping life and for those preparing to celebrate the sacraments of Holy Church over the next couple of months. For those whose wedding ceremonies have been long delayed; those parents now able to bring their children for Baptism.

for our Parish (Portchester and Port Solent) - Heritage Gardens, Caer Peris View, Portchester Heights and Cadgwith Place

for the world around us— for all those who are persecuted throughout the world because of their race, religion and sexual orientation.

for those who are ill - Valerie Agar, Jacqui Wheatley, Antonia Morgan, Rosemary Peake, Margaret Ayling, Phil Rodway, David Edwards, Bill Harris, 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.



Do you follow our Facebook page?

It has up-to-date announcements on services and events. We often share thought provoking reflections and encourage discussion on our posts.

This sketch is by Reverend James Hair from his recent reflection posted on our Facebook page.

NEWS AND NOTICES

Parish Prayer Chain—We are updating the prayer chain as we have lost a few people over time. If you want to know more about this important part of church ministry, please speak to Sheila Gardner 02392 381736

Alpha Course—Beginning on 14th September at 7.00pm, this is a great course for newcomers to the church, and for those exploring the Christian faith. The evening begins with a meal together, followed by a video presentation and then discussion. Please speak to Penny McIlroy or Carol Gay to sign up.

Back to Church Sunday—On Sunday 12th September we are holding just one service to invite all our different congregations to come together for a great Celebration in thanksgiving for our deliverance from Coronavirus and the re-launching of the church. This is also our Patronal Festival. Because of numbers, we are holding this at Portchester Community School in White Hart Lane at 10.30am. The service will be followed by a parish lunch.

Welcomers, Readers and Intercessors – We are in the process of putting together the next rota, and are looking for people to join the list for readers and intercessors at all services. We are also in need of welcomers to join week 1 at the 10.30 service. If you are able to help, please contact Emma and the office.

CONNECT Youth– There will be a CONNECT sleepover on August 13th, please keep an eye on your emails for information regarding the event. If you are not on the contact list for CONNECT and would like to be, please email stmarysconnectyouth@gmail.com

Flowers – Flowers for the 8th of August are in memory of Maureen Tomlinson and Michael May.

Rev Ian is on annual leave from Monday 2nd August until Tuesday 17th August. Please contact one of our honorary assistant priests if you have a pastoral need during this time.

Office Closure - Please note that over the summer the office will be closed Aug 4-10th and Aug 16th-23rd. Emails will be checked occasionally during this time, but may not be answered immediately.

“Magic of the Musicals” - Songs from the Shows & Hollywood Movies, including Oliver, Les Miserables, South Pacific, Disney, Grease and much more! We welcome back Fiona Harrison in concert. Friday 24th September, 7.30 pm, Tickets are £8.00 and available from the Tea Rooms, Parish Office, or after Sunday services.

SITUATIONS VACANT

We are still looking for people to fill the following roles.

Deanery Representative: To attend the Fareham Deanery Synod which meets about three times a year, and also to have a place on the PCC.

PCC member: We are one member short of our full complement and could co-opt one person for one year.

St Mary's Lambs Leader: We meet each Wednesday during term time from 10.30am – 11.45am. The morning consists of notices, a prayer, songs, a story, the Lord's Prayer and then free play, while the parents and carers have coffee and chat.

Sound and Recording Team: We are looking for additional people to join the visual/audio team, please speak to Ray or Peter if you can help with the recording and editing of live services.

Concert Co-ordinator: We are looking for someone who has an interest in helping to coordinate concerts at St. Mary's and has contacts in the local music scene.

Tea Room volunteers: As the Tea Room becomes more popular, so we need more volunteers particularly on Monday, Thursday and Sunday afternoons.



DATES FOR THE TWO WEEKS

MONDAY 2ND AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 44/Mark 1.1-13

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

TUESDAY 3RD AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 48/Mark 1.14-20

WEDNESDAY 4TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 119.57-80/Mark 1.21-28

9:00am Morning Prayer
12:00pm Burial of Ashes of Ted
Blackburn
6:30pm Holy Communion

THURSDAY 5TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 57/Mark 1.29-end

9:30pm Contemplative Prayer
Group

FRIDAY 6TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 27/1 Kings 19.1-16

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

SATURDAY 7TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 68 /Mark 2.13-22

SUNDAY 8TH AUGUST – TRINITY 10

8:00am Holy Communion
10:30am Service of the Word
4:00pm Family Café Church

MONDAY 9TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 71/Proverbs 1.1-19

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

TUESDAY 10TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 73/Proverbs 1.20-end

WEDNESDAY 11TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 77/Proverbs 2

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

THURSDAY 12TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 78.1-39/Proverbs 3.1-26

9:30pm Contemplative Prayer
Group

FRIDAY 13TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 55/Proverbs 3.27-4.19

9:00am Morning Prayer
10:00am Holy Communion (Parish
Hall)
6:00pm CONNECT Sleepover

SATURDAY 14TH AUGUST

MPR: Psalm 76/Proverbs 6.1-19

12:00pm Wedding of Ellis Timms and
Luke Bracegirdle

SUNDAY 15TH AUGUST

8:00am Holy Communion
10:30am Parish Eucharist
12:30pm Baptism of Olivia Collins