

Diary

Tue. 8th 7.30pm Home Group at 40 Henley Drive
Fri. 11th 7pm Choir Practice in Church
Sat. 12th 4pm Messy Church in the Church Hall

Notices

1. Beetle Drive. The next Beetle Drive will be just before Easter on Saturday 6th April 2019 at 7.30pm.

2. Joyful Praise Services. Joyful Praise Services are now held on the first and third Sundays of each month at 6pm at The Church of The Holy Spirit, Southway. The next one is this afternoon, Sunday 6th January. All are welcome to come along.



3. The next Messy Church is this Saturday, 12th January 2019, in St. Mary's Church Hall, at 4pm.

Fun, food and free! For families of all ages.

4. Oasis Youth Group. The Oasis Group next meet on Tuesday 15th January at 5.30pm in the Church Hall.

5. Together @ Ten. The monthly Family Services have changed. They are now known as 'Together @ Ten' – All Age Praise and are no longer a Messy Church style service. The next one is on Sunday 20th January at 10am. Please come and support this venture and bring someone with you.

6. PCC Meeting. The next PCC meeting is on Monday 4th February at The Vicarage at 7pm.

7. Home Group. The Home Study Group next meets at 40 Henley Drive on Tuesday 8th January at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

8. Fair Trade. St. Mary's is registered as a Fair Trade Church and Jo Parker can still supply you with a Traidcraft brochure or take any orders you may have. Tel. 786409.

9. Easy Fund Raising. Don't forget, when doing your shopping on-line, to shop via www.easyfundraising.org.uk to raise some extra money for St. Mary's at no cost to yourself. We currently have 23 people supporting us. We recently received a cheque for £15.35 bringing our total raised so far to £369.60. Ask Andy or Debbie King for more details. (07708590704)

10. Church News. Please address all queries and notices for the Church News to andy@saintmarys.org.uk.

CHURCH NEWS



Saint Mary's, Tamerton Foliot

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EPIPHANY
6th January 2019

Welcome! to St. Mary's, especially if you are visiting today.

Sunday Club (ages 4 - 11) There is no Sunday Club at present due to lack of numbers. It will start up again if any children are looking to join.

For Sunday Club contact Revd. David Gill. Tel. 771033

The Oasis Youth Group (ages 11 - 18) next meet on Tuesday 15th January in the Church Hall at 5.30pm and then on alternate Tuesdays during school term time.

For Oasis contact Joanne Parker Tel. 786409.

Today's Services

8am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)
Ephesians 3: 1 - 12, Matthew 2: 1 - 12

10am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)
Ephesians 3: 1 - 12, Matthew 2: 1 - 12
(CAH) 700, 152, 49, 724

6pm JOYFUL PRAISE at The Church of The Holy Spirit, Southway

6.30pm EVENING WORSHIP FOR EPIPHANY
Isaiah 60: 1 - 9, John 2: 1 - 11
(CAH) 49, 152, 85, 326, 724

The 'Epiphany' (Greek *epiphaneia* = revealing, manifesting) is celebrated on 6 January, the last day of the Christmas season. It refers to the revealing of Christ to the 'Magi', the Wise Men from the East who searched for truth and found it at Bethlehem. The main theme of the Epiphany season is the revelation of Christ as the light of the world and the King of all nations - Gentiles and Jews.

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.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

Those living in: Waring Road

The sick and those in need: Thomas Baker, Baby Emily, Brian, Cameron, Jane Dakin, Hannah, Hilda D. Diana Hill and family, Emma L. Kay, Ken, Sam L. Layla, Linda T. Luke MacWhirter, Margaret, Michael P. Mo W. Pat, Oscar, Ruth, Samantha and family, Sue Stephens and family.

Personal consent must now be given by the person, (or their parent/guardian) to have their name displayed.

Please let Andy King have any names those who are in need of our prayers or who can be taken off the list. Tel. 300758. Thank you.

Next Sunday

13th January 2019

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

The Baptism of Christ

10am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)
Acts 8: 14 - 17, Luke 3: 15 - 17, 21 - 22

4pm EVENSONG (BCP)
Isaiah 55: 1 - 11, Romans 6: 1 - 11

Team Rector:

Revd. Preb. David Gill, The Vicarage, 53 Whitsoncross Lane, Tel. 771033

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First Reading Ephesians 3: 1 – 12

¹ For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles – ² Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. ⁴ In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵ which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. ⁶ This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. ⁷ I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. ¹⁰ His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, ¹¹ according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Second Reading Matthew 2: 1 - 12

¹ After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, 'Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.' ³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴ When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ 'In Bethlehem in Judea,' they replied, 'for this is what the prophet has written: ⁶ "But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."'⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. ⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem and said, 'Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.' ⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

Christmas Card Pledges

Please let Revd Preb David Gill have your money pledged for ShelterBox in lieu of sending Christmas Cards as soon as possible. Don't forget to read all the Christmas Cards on the noticeboard at the back of Church before they are removed.

First Reading Isaiah 60: 1 – 9

¹ 'Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. ² See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. ³ Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴ 'Lift up your eyes and look about you: all assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip. ⁵ Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. ⁶ Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the Lord. ⁷ All Kedar's flocks will be gathered to you, the rams of Nebaioth will serve you; they will be accepted as offerings on my altar, and I will adorn my glorious temple. ⁸ 'Who are these that fly along like clouds, like doves to their nests? ⁹ Surely the islands look to me; in the lead are the ships of Tarshish, bringing your children from afar, with their silver and gold, to the honour of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendour.

Second Reading John 2: 1 – 11

¹ On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.' ⁴ 'Woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My hour has not yet come.' ⁵ His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶ Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres. ⁷ Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim. ⁸ Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.' They did so, ⁹ and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰ and said, 'Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.' ¹¹ What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Safeguarding Officers

Sara Grier is our nominated Safeguarding Officer and is the nominated person responsible for vulnerable adults. Jo Parker is the nominated Safeguarding person responsible for children. Their photos are on the Church noticeboard in the porch, together with photos of the Vicar, Revd David Gill, and your Churchwardens, Andy King and Susanne Burnett. A copy of our Safeguarding Policy is in a folder at the back of Church and is available on our website at www.saintmarys.org.uk