

Diary

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| Mon. 16th | 7pm | Lent Group meets at The Vicarage |
| Tue. 17th | 7.30pm | Home Group meets at 40 Henley Drive |
| Wed. 18th | 11am | Holy Communion (BCP) |
| Fri. 20th | 7pm | Choir Practice in Church |

Notices

1. Beetle Drive. The next Beetle Drive will be held on Saturday 4th April, the day before Palm Sunday, and will be the Easter Beetle Drive.

2. APCM. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is on Friday 3rd April in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. All members on the Electoral Roll are invited to attend.

3. Joyful Praise Services. Joyful Praise Services are now held on the second Sundays of each month at 6pm at The Church of The Holy Spirit, Southway. The next one is on Sunday 12th April 2020 – Easter Sunday. All are welcome to come along.



4. Thanks to everyone who helped out at **Messy Church** yesterday. The next one is on Saturday 11th April at The Church of The Holy Spirit, Southway, from 4pm – 6pm. **Fun, food and free!** For families of all ages.

5. Together @ Ten. The monthly Family Services on the 3rd Sunday of each month are now known as **'Together @ Ten'** – All Age Praise services. Please come along today at 10am and meet Jack and Jill, our friendly puppets, who help explore the story for the day. Why not bring someone with you?

6. 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.

7. Home Group. The Home Study group meets at 40 Henley Drive on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm during term time. They meet this Tuesday, 17th March. All are welcome.

8. Easy Fund Raising. Don't forget, when doing your Christmas 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 and our total raised so far is **£401.21**.

Ask Andy King for more details. (07708590704 or andy@saintmarys.org.uk)

9. Oasis Youth Group. Oasis next meet in the Church Hall on Tuesday 24th March at 5.30pm.

10. Amazon Echo. If anyone has an Amazon Echo they can now access prayers, church and Bible information by saying "Open the Church of England".

Next Sunday **22nd March 2020** 4th Sunday of Lent **Mothering Sunday**

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| 10am | HOLY COMMUNION (CW) + BAPTISMS |
| Exodus 2: 1 – 10, | 2 Corinthians 1: 3 – 7, Luke 2: 33 – 35 |
| 6.30pm | EVENSONG (BCP) (Patronal Festival) |
| Micah 7. | James 5. |

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3rd Sunday of Lent
15th March 2020

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 meets at 5.30pm on alternate Tuesdays during School Term Time.

For Oasis contact Joanne Parker. Tel. 786409.

Today's Services

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| 8am | HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) | Ephesians 5: 1 – 14, | Luke 11: 14 – 28 |
| 10am | TOGETHER @ TEN | John 4: 5 – 42 Dramatised Bible | Psalm 95: 1 – 7 Congregation led by Jack and Jill |
| | | Everybody's Welcome, 817, 352 | |
| 6.30pm | HOLY COMMUNION (CW) | Exodus 17: 1 – 7, Romans 5: 1 – 11, | John 4: 5 – 42 |
| (CAH) | | 484, 342, 303, 205 | |

Jesus Christ came to seek lost human beings, and bring them back into a right relationship with God. But it cost him dearly – his death on the cross. He calls his followers now to journey together with him 'in the way of the cross'. That means making sacrifices in the service of God and neighbour, and finding it, in the words of today's Collect, below, to be 'the way of life and peace'.

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life 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.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

Those living in: Horsham Lane

Recently bereaved: Family and friends of Jane Green

The sick and those in need: Angie, Joan Bagwell, Clare B. Bruce and family, Elizabeth Curling, Margaret D, Graham B. Brian, Marie and Thomas Baker, Cameron, Jane Dakin, John Dean, Eileen Giles, Graham, Hannah, Hilda D. Dave and Lyn Hill, Oliver Hawkins, Imogen, Jill, Katie S. Kay, Ken, Sam L. Lorna, Luke MacWhirter, Margaret, Michael P. Jill Parry, Mike, Mo W. Oscar, Pat, Ruth, Sue Stephens and family, John Tweedley 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 of those who are in need of our prayers or who can be taken off the list. Email andy@saintmarys.org.uk or Tel. 300758. Thank you.

Welcome to



Together @ Ten



Our Fundraising Projects

We are currently working on the addition of a toilet in Church to save the long trek to the Church Hall.

You may be interested to know that over the past year, the profits from the Sunday refreshments have contributed £447 to the St Mary's projects and, since we started in 2017, the total contribution has been £1478. Sincere thanks are due to the kind volunteers who help to run the scheme and who very generously provide many of the high-quality consumables. Without their generous support the costs (currently approx. 20%) would be much higher.

You may also like to know that the Flush Fund donation box at the back of the Church raised £353 last year.

Lent Boxes

Where does our Lent Box money go?

Drs Steve and Catriona Bennett, working in Gahini Hospital, Rwanda, write (in the current issue of of the CMS newsletter, 'The Call'): "In order to move forward you sometimes have to trust that God will supply your needs and guide your steps. If you want to "walk on water" you have to get out of the boat! At the same time you have to consider the potential cost and while it is all very well to say that God will provide, sometimes His means of providing involves you doing the work to gain that provision. For us, that has meant "stepping out of the boat" that is the NHS and moving to work for CMS in a Rwandan hospital ... and we are incredibly grateful to all the Churches and individuals who continue support us financially ... so that we keep trying to "walk on water".

Please read the full article posted on the notice board at the back of Church and take a Lent Box to fill for Easter in order to bolster our support. Thank you.

Holy Pilgrimage to The Holy Land

The Bishop of Plymouth, Rt Rev'd Nick McKinnel, and the Archdeacon of Plymouth, Ven. Nick Shutt, are planning to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in November 2020. Details are on a poster which is posted on the noticeboard at the back of Church but individual posters can be requested if you are interested. - Speak to Andy King, (Mob 07708590704 or email andy@saintmarys.org.uk). They are keen that this should be more than a sightseeing tour and rather an opportunity for those who came, to grow in faith and discipleship.

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.

First Reading

Exodus 17: 1 – 7

¹ The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, travelling from place to place as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² So they quarrelled with Moses and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses replied, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the Lord to the test?' ³ But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, 'Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?' ⁴ Then Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me.' ⁵ The Lord answered Moses, 'Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink.' So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarrelled and because they tested the Lord saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Second Reading

Romans 5: 1 – 11

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. ⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Gospel Reading

John 4: 5 – 42 See Insert



JOY 2020

Bishop Robert, Bishop Jackie and Bishop Nick will be touring the county and popping up in all sorts of places this year. These promise to be great events for those with a strong faith or none at all. They will show that Christianity isn't about buildings, rules and rotas, but it is about people and God's immeasurable love for every single person in Devon.

Plymouth 26th – 28th June