

Notices

St Mary's Online Services

Rev'd David Gill and Fenny will continue to put a short service on our St Mary's Facebook page each Sunday and these are also available via the St Mary's website. Copies of the service sheet are also on the website so you can join in with the responses at home. There are videos of a Christingle Service and a Crib Service on the St Mary's website and Facebook Page, featuring our puppets, Jack and Jill.

Planned Giving Envelopes

There are still a few Planned Giving envelopes ready for collection from the table at the back of the Church. If you can't remember your number, Val Howell is happy for you to phone her on 787511 as she has a list of names and the associated numbers. Please can you ensure you only take your own envelopes. If you are not coming to Church at the moment and would like us to deliver your envelopes to you at home, please let us know. Many thanks.

Prayer Requests

If anyone would like prayer for any reason, please do get in touch. We can add your name to the prayer list on the weekly Church News, or we can pass your request on to other members of the Church who are praying regularly via a couple of WhatsApp groups. Give as much or as little information as you feel able to share. Alternatively, please contact Rev'd David Gill on 01752 771033 or by email to dbmgill@tiscali.co.uk

Belief in Action and Honey for Hope

Pat Eyres writes, "Thank you to everyone who is continuing to support the work in Transylvania with donations of childrens' clothes, toys, shoes and knitted blankets. As you might imagine, in this area where health services are very limited and there is extreme poverty, they have been severely hit by COVID-19. Please keep hold of any items until we are again able to meet in church – where you can leave things in the collection box. In the meantime, if you would like to learn more about the work please look at the website www.beliefin-action.co.uk or on Facebook www.facebook.com/Hemlingford

One of the fundraising initiatives is the Honey for Hope project where we import lovely organic honey from local Transylvanian beekeepers. I have a small stock of both the Acacia and the Wild Flower honey – please contact me if you would like a jar of either - £5 each pateyres@talk21.com ”

Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal

Email notifications with details of the destinations of the Shoeboxes from the Christmas Shoebox Appeal are starting to arrive. Have you had yours yet?

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Prayers for the Coronavirus Outbreak

The Diocese have provided some prayers for the COVID-19 outbreak. They have also provided a prayer as an act of Spiritual Communion. These have been emailed to everyone previously and are available via our St Mary's website. Separate copies are available if anyone would like them. Please ask. Not everyone has access to online resources. So, Church House Publishing (CHP) have produced a downloadable/printable selection of Prayers for use during the coronavirus outbreak. The booklet includes prayers for children, as well as a simple form of morning and night prayer designed for individuals and families to use at home. The files can be freely downloaded, emailed or printed by anyone via the Church of England website, with versions suited to sharing digitally or for printing at home. If you would like a copy, and cannot access it online, please ask and we will ensure you get a copy. Otherwise, a copy can be found here:

https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/Prayer%20Book%20Digital%20%20April_0.pdf

There is also a link to the booklet from our website at www.saintmarys.org.uk

Church Collections

While the Church building is still open for services, we will be pleased to see you at either of the services on Sundays at 10am or Wednesdays at 6.30pm. We would greatly appreciate it, if you use the envelope scheme, to bring your planned giving envelopes to Church each week if you are able to attend. Otherwise, please keep them until you are able to attend in future. We will be really thankful for the income at any time. Please do not send money in the post.

If you are able to pay by BACS or a standing order and do not already do this, it would be great if you could do this. Our BACS details are Sort Code: 30-96-68 and Account number: 00503131. Please include your surname as a reference. You can also pay by cheque payable to 'The PCC of Tamerton Foliot' via the Vicar or Treasurer. You can also Gift Aid any monies paid via these means. If you need any more help or information on how to do this, please contact our treasurer, Phil Sloggett via: phil.sloggett.treasurer@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support

Keeping Up To Date

The Church News is still being distributed to as many Church members as possible each week in person or via email. It is also available each week, as usual, via the St Mary's website at www.saintmarys.org.uk

Updates about any further changes to the restrictions on Church attendance will continue to be posted on our website and Facebook pages and will be communicated to you as and when we receive revised guidance.