

Diary Please stay safe, stay well, and stay connected

Mon. 6th	7pm	PCC Meeting at St. Mary's Vicarage
	7.30pm	Home Group meets via Zoom
Thu. 9th	am	Mary Dean School Nativity Rehearsal
Fri. 10th	am	Mary Dean KS 1 Nativity
	pm	Mary Dean KS 2 Carol Service Rehearsal
	7.30pm	Starts Singers Concert in St Mary's
	N.B.	No choir practice this evening

Notices



1. Great News! We are restarting Messy Church to see how it works with Covid safety in mind. We are holding the first one at St Mary's, in the Church Hall, on Saturday 18th December from 4pm – 6pm.

2. St Mary's Youth and Children. Sunday Club (ages 4 - 11) will start up as soon as possible. If you know of any children who might be interested in joining Sunday Club please ask their parents to contact Revd. David Gill. Tel. **771033**

3. Together@Ten. The monthly Family Services at St. Mary's are now known as 'Together@Ten' – A monthly All Age Service. The next one is on Sunday 19th December.

4. PCC Meetings. The next meeting of St. Mary's PCC is on Monday 6th December at St. Mary's Vicarage at 7pm.

5. Home Group. The Home Group now meet on Mondays during school term time. They usually meet at 7.30pm each week via an online Zoom video meeting at present. All are welcome to join in at any time. Please get in touch with your email address if you would like to be involved. Tel. **07773170714**.

6. Fair Trade. St. Mary's is registered as a Fair Trade Church and Angela and Steve Chandler are our new reps. Angela has catalogues, if you would like to have a look at one, and can take any orders you may have. Tel. **518696**.

7. Church News. Please address all queries and notices for the Church News to **andy@saintmarys.org.uk** or call **07708590704**.

Next Sunday's Services 12th December 2021

3rd Sunday of Advent

St Mary's:

10am	Holy Communion (CW)
11.45am	Baptism Annabelle Taylor
2.30pm	Baptism Reuben Cox-Symonds
6.30pm	Evensong (BCP)
	Isaiah 35. Luke 1: 57 - 66

Holy Spirit:

10am Holy Communion (CW)

Readings for Holy Communion

Zephaniah 3: 14 – end, Philippians 4: 4 – 7, Luke 3: 7 – 18

Team Rector:

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Church News



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Tamerton Foliot & Southway Team Ministry

5th December 2021

2nd Sunday of Advent



Today's Services

St Mary's:

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
	Romans 15: 4 – 13,	Luke 21: 25 – 33
10am	Holy Communion (CW)	Preb. John Richards
(CAHON)	633, 722, 406, 265	
2.30pm	Baptism Barnaby Ledgerwood-Evans	
4pm	Christingle Service	
(CAHON)	839, 901, 55, 399, 776	

Holy Spirit:

10am 'Everyone's Welcome' – An All Age Service
Communion Readings: Malachi 3: 1 – 4, Philippians 1: 3 – 11
Luke 3: 1 - 6

The four weeks of Advent are a season of hope: we pray and prepare for the day when god's Kingdom will come among us with 'power ... and great might' (as today's Collect, below, puts it). The first Advent Candle represents the **Patriarchs** and first leaders of Israel through whom God's rule on earth dawned. Today we remember the **Prophets** of Israel who challenged Israel to return to God's ways. –

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

Those living in: Brymon Way, Runway Road, Jetstream Way

Recently bereaved: Family and friends of Peggy Burkhalter

Baptised today: Barnaby Ledgerwood-Evans

The sick and those in need: Angie, Joan Bagwell, Clare B. Sarah Bezzina & family, Marie and Thomas Baker and family, Florence Barcas, Peter Bolam, Liz Brady, Keith Brindley, Graham B. Brian, Cameron, Val Collins, Ava Cornell, Margaret D, Jane Dakin, John Dean, Peter Fraser, Graham, Hannah, Dave and Lyn Hill, Janet and Phil Hill, Oscar Hawkins, Imogen, Jill Tooze, Katie S. Kay, Ken, Ann and John King, Gill L. Sam L. Lorna, Sonia Lyndon, Heather M. Mand-King family, Margaret, Elizabeth Mundy, Di N and family, Harriet Nelson, Jill and Bob O'Sullivan, Michael P. Mo W. Pat, Anne Shaw, Margaret Sparshott, Trish T. Angie W.

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. 07708590704 or email: andy@saintmarys.org.uk. Thank you.

First Reading Malachi 3: 1 – 4

¹ 'I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come,' says the Lord Almighty. ² But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, ⁴ and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the Lord, as in days gone by, as in former years.

Second Reading Philippians 1: 3 – 11

³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. ⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. ⁸ God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹ And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, ¹⁰ so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ – to the glory and praise of God.

Gospel Reading Luke 3: 1 - 6

¹ In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar – when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Tracōnitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene – ² during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³ He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁴ As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet: 'A voice of one calling in the wilderness, "Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. ⁵ Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. ⁶ And all people will see God's salvation."

Sterts Singers In Concert

The Sterts Singers will be returning to St Marys for a concert this Friday, 10th December at 7.30pm. Tickets are still available beforehand and on the door. Refreshments will be available.

Plant Britain

The BBC, through its Country File programme, has launched an initiative to plant a tree for every child starting Primary School in 2020. Mary Dean School has embraced the idea and St Mary's PCC have unanimously agreed to support the idea of a partnership with Mary Dean School. The initiative will involve the St. Mary's' community sponsoring the purchase of trees, and the necessary protection, as a means of showing our strong partnership with the school. Whilst the Country File programme is offering the chance to apply for packs of trees through The Woodland Trust – and Mary Dean School will apply for one of these – The proposal is that the PCC would buy a pack of 105 saplings plus protection, which would cost approximately £200. The Head Teacher supports the idea enthusiastically and has already earmarked a suitable location on the school site. Ros Watkins has also agreed that some of the flower fund could be used for the project. If you would like to contribute to the cost, any donations would be gratefully received. If you can, please use BACS transfer (Account Name: PCC of Tamerton Foliot; Sort Code: 30-96-68 and Account number: 00503131) with the reference 'Trees'. Thank you.

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%202%20April_0.pdf

There is also a link to the booklet from the St Mary's website at www.saintmarys.org.uk

Historic Plymouth

Stephen Trahair is selling copies of his new guide to Plymouth. The cost is £10 which includes a donation of £5 to the Flush Fund. His pocket-size guide lists 120 places in Plymouth which he's chosen because there is something interesting to say about them, or about the people or events associated with it. It's an easy read, with a full page colour photograph on each two-page spread. Perfect Christmas stocking fillers!