

## SERVICES TODAY

### 9.00AM - BREAKFAST CHURCH (IN THE HALL)

Leaders: Ann Scouse & Emma Taylor

Theme: Let's Explore

9.45am - 10.10am

*Refreshments served in the Beacon Café*

### 10.15am - Family Communion

Leader: Patches Chabala Preacher: David Scouse

Reading: Nehemiah 12: 27-43 (p.497)

Theme: Finishing Well

### 6.30pm - "Hungry"

*(in the Beacon Café)*

Leader: Patches Chabala Preacher: Mike Farthing

Theme: Proclaim the Gospel

Reading: 2 Timothy 4: 1-2 (p.1,197)

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**Rev. Patches Chabala** - Team Vicar  
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## WELCOME TO

# St Mary's



## 27TH AUGUST 2017

Welcome to St Mary's.  
It's great to have you here.

If you are new or visiting us today,  
please visit our WELCOME AREA  
at the back of the church  
or speak to one of our Welcome Team  
(who are wearing white badges).

Find us online at  
[www.stmarys-ferndown.org.uk](http://www.stmarys-ferndown.org.uk)

Find us on Facebook  
"Like" St. Mary's, Ferndown's page



## TODAY'S GROUPS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AT OUR 10.45AM SERVICE

Sparklers (self-help crèche - 0-3s)  
in the Church Lounge

Children (aged 3 to 14) will be meeting together in the Hall for games and activities

### Evening

Please note, CYFA won't be meeting through the summer holiday.

## SERVICES NEXT WEEK ...

THURSDAY 31ST AUGUST 2017

10.00am - Holy Communion

SUNDAY - 3RD SEPTEMBER 2017

9.00am - Breakfast Church

9.00am - Morning Worship

10.15am-10.40am

*Refreshments served in the Beacon Café*

10.45am - Family Communion

6.30pm - "Hungry"

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## PRAYER FOCUS

**Monday:** Give thanks to God for the freedom we have in the UK to worship Him in churches without fear of attack and persecution. Pray too for countries where this is not possible. Pray for courage amidst danger.

**Tuesday:** 2 Chronicles 7:14 says "if my people who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land". Pray for the UK that it may turn back to God so that times of refreshing may come.

**Wednesday:** Proverbs 14:34 says "Righteousness exalts a nation". Pray that the government may rule this nation in righteousness and so will other governments around the world.

**Thursday:** 1 Peter 5:8 says "Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour". Pray that you remain strong and steadfast in the Lord amidst the attacks of the devil.

**Friday:** Pray for those that preach. Pray that God will continue to give them deep insight in the word of God. Pray too for supernatural anointing over their life and ministry.

**Saturday:** Pray for all those who are going through difficult times. Pray for God's sustaining grace in all they face.

**Sunday:** Luke 11:28 says "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and obeys it". Pray that when the word of God is preached, we will respond in obedience to God.

### PRAYER FOCUS

"Be holy , because I am holy" ( 1 Peter 1:16)

*If you have anything you would like prayer for, or would like to receive prayer requests, please email St. Mary's Prayer Link: [stmarysprayer@fastmail.co.uk](mailto:stmarysprayer@fastmail.co.uk)*

**Teddy Bears Picnic** - Tuesday 29th August, 12.30-1.30pm in the Hall. For pre-school children and their parents/carers. Please bring a teddy and a packed lunch. No booking required. Speak to Emma Taylor for more details.



**Bible Reading Notes for September** - Now available to collect from the book stall at the back of church. If you would like to subscribe for Bible Reading Notes please contact the Church Office.

### Rev. Patches Chabala - Paternity and Annual Leave

Please note that this is Patches' last Sunday on duty until 8th October. Baby Chabala is expected very soon! Please do pray for Patches and Zenaida at this exciting time - we will keep you updated! You will appreciate that this is a very special and busy time for the family so we ask you to please respect their privacy, particularly in the early weeks. Any messages, cards or gifts can be brought to the office and we will make sure that they are delivered. Thank you for your prayers and understanding. Let's pray abundant blessings on them all.

### Baptism Preparation Course

Are you thinking about having your son/daughter christened? You are warmly encouraged to book onto our upcoming Baptism Preparation Course which will run on Monday 4th, 11th and 18th September, 8pm - 9.30pm in The Beacon Cafe. Take a copy of our "Special Services For Families" booklet from the hall foyer or contact the Church Office on 01202 897087 for more information and to book.

### Soul Survivor

A massive "thank you" to everyone for their prayers and support for our recent Soul Survivor trip. Everyone had an amazing time and wonderful encounters with God. Keep an eye out for testimonies from our Young People in upcoming editions of Spotlight. We were really grateful for your financial gifts that enabled this trip to happen. Bless you!

## The Alpha Course

Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Each session starts with a meal followed by a talk and discussion in groups, where no question is off-limits.



Alpha starts on Tuesday 26th September at 7pm in the Beacon Café with an introduction session "Christianity: Boring, untrue, irrelevant?"

### Who will YOU invite?

Leaflets with details of our next Alpha Course are available at the back of church. Please take some to invite friends and family to come along. Why not offer to join them for the introduction session?

### Be part of the Alpha adventure!

Alpha cannot happen without YOU! We are looking for teams of volunteers to help set up the cafe for the evening sessions (from 4pm onwards) and to provide a delicious meal followed by coffee for our guests. Why not get together with your small group or a group of church friends? Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or contact the Office if you can help or would like more information.

### Blessing Bin

We are now collecting non-perishable items again for people in need living on the Heatherlands Estate. The Blessing Bin can be found at the back of church. *Thank you.*

### Ferndown Civic Service - Friday 8th September

St. Mary's will be hosting the annual town Civic Service and the Mayor, Counsellor Cathy Lugg, would like to warmly invite all at St. Mary's to attend. The service starts at 6.30pm.

### Monday Prayers

Every Monday, 12-12.30pm in the Church Lounge