Prayer Diary

Monday: Lift the Office staff up in prayer as they begin the week. Mondays are always busy! Pray for peace and efficiency and that people see something different in the way we work.

Tuesday: Pray for the toddler group running today. Ask the Lord for good relationships and fruitful conversations.

Wednesday: Pray for our Mayor Cathy Lugg as she works with other councillors for the good of our town

Thursday: Pray for those who have been bereaved this year, as Christmas approaches, that they will encounter the Prince of Peace, the Lord of hope, the God of all comfort.

Friday: As December begins ask God to show you who you could invite to a Christmas service. Pray for all those preparing for the services - for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit - and that many will come and respond to the Lord..

Saturday: Pray for the work of the Bible Society in distributing scripture to those who don't have it. Pray that through their resources, many will encounter the Living Word.

Sunday: Come Lord Jesus! As we begin advent pray that we would speed his return by sharing the good news of Jesus and working for the extension of His kingdom.

PRAYER FOCUS

"This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Acts 1: 11b

If you have anything you would like prayer for, or would like to receive prayer requests, please email St. Mary's Prayer Link: prayerlink@stmarys-ferndown.org.uk

Services Next Week ...

Thursday 30th November 2017 10.00am - Holy Communion

Sunday - 3rd December 2017 9.00am - Breakfast Church

9.00am - Morning Worship 10.45am - Family Communion

6.30pm - "Hungry"

Welcome to

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26th November 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



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



St. Mary's Contact Details

Open Hours: Mon - Fri 9.30am- 4.30pm

Rev. Sarah Pix - Team Rector	(01202) 890798	Day Off: Wednesday
Rev. Patches Chabala - Team Vicar	(01202) 895099	Day Off: Friday
Mike Orman - Worship Pastor	(01202) 959453	Day Off: Friday
Emma Taylor - Children's Pastor	(01202) 989452	Day Off: Saturday
Lynne Rees - Pastoral Care Co-ordinator	(01202) 871936	Day Off: Saturday

Services Today

Leader: Patches Chabala

9.00am - Breakfast Church

Leader: Emma Taylor Preacher: Tony Thornton (in the Hall)

Theme: We are His Masterpiece

Reading: Psalm 139 & Ephesians 2: 10

9.00am - Holy Communion

Guest Preacher: Rt. Rev. Karen Gorham

Reading: Matthew 25: 31-46 & Ephesians 1: 15-23

(p.995 & 1,173)

10.15am - 10.40am

(in Church)

Refreshments served in the Beacon Café

10.45am - Morning Worship

Leader: Sarah Pix Preacher: Rt. Rev. Karen Gorham

Readings: (as for 9am Church service)

(in Church) 6.30pm - "Hungry"

(in the Beacon Café)

Leader & Preacher: Sarah Pix Theme: The Kingdom Advancing

Reading: Matthew 11: 1-15 (p.976)

Today's Groups for Children and Young People

Sparklers (self-help crèche - 0-3s) NEW LOCATION! - In Café with live link from church

Rockets (3-5s) in the Church Lounge Comets (5-8s) in Hall Ignite (8-11s) & Dynamo (11-14s) in the Beacon Room

7.00pm - SOUL (13-18s) in the Beacon Room

Monday Prayer Gathering

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Every Monday, 12-12.30pm in the Church Lounge All Welcome!

Mothers Union

There will be no branch meeting on Thurs 7th December as we will be having our fellowship Christmas Lunch that day. Contact Rita Bretzke on 01202 875154 for more information.

Christmas Day Dinner at St. Mary's Church, 12.30pm - 3pm

For those who would otherwise be on their own on Christmas Day.

Tickets £8.00 (entry by ticket only) available from the Church Office. Spaces limited. Please book by Fri 15th December.



Ministry in Wool - Tomorrow, Mon 27th Nov at 10am in the Cafe. All knitters welcome.

Funeral of Ron Ellis

Ron's funeral will be held on Monday 4th Dec in the East Chapel at Bournemouth Crematorium at 11.30am followed by refreshments at the Bridge House Hotel in Longham. All friends welcome. Please pray for Janet and all the family at this sad time.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES FLYERS AND INVITATION CARDS **NOW AVAILABLE!**

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Do take some to share with family, friends, neighbours and colleagues there are postcards with our Christmas service times and cards which you can send as personalised invitations. Who will you invite this Christmas?

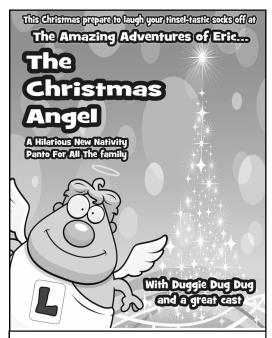
Christmas Flower Arrangers Meeting Wednesday 6th December 10.30am in the Church Lounge

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We will be meeting to discuss the arrangements for the Christmas floral decorations in church - anyone interested in helping is very welcome.

2018 Calendars

If you have pre-ordered a 2018 Calendar these will be available to collect during coffee time today and from the office during the week. If you haven't yet ordered yours, and would like to, please speak to Hugh or Valerie Rossiter or a member of the office team



Friday 15th December at 6.30pm at St. Mary's Church

Tickets £5

Tickets available either from the Church Office, or book online at www.wegottickets.com/event/422161 Selling fast! Don't delay, book today!

Appeal for Mulled Wine and Mince Pies For Carols By Candlelight

On Sunday 17th December we will be holding our Services of Carols By Candlelight at 4.30pm and 7pm. After both services we would like to provide our quests with excellent St Mary's hospitality. Please sign up on the sheets at the back of church or the hall fover if you can provide mulled wine and/or mince pies. Please bring in by Fri 15th Dec. We also need volunteers to help set up and serve on the day - please do sign up if you

can help. Many Thanks!