

Welcome to

St Mary's

Ferndown

14th October 2018



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).

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Services Today

9.00am - Breakfast Church
(in the Hall)

Leader & Preacher: Sarah Pix
Theme: The Lord's Prayer - For Thine is the Kingdom

9.00am - Holy Communion
(in Church)

Leader & Preacher: Patches Chabala
Theme: Above all - First Fruits
Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1-12 (p.203)

10.00am - 10.40am *Refreshments served in the Beacon Café*

10.45am - Family Service
(in Church)

Leader: Sarah Pix Preacher: Emma Taylor
Theme & Reaching: (as for 9am Church service)

6.30 - 7.00pm *Refreshments before "Hungry" Service*

7.00pm - "Hungry"
(in the Beacon Café)

Leader: Sarah Pix Preacher: Mark Farthing
Theme: Prayer for the Ephesians 2
Reading: Ephesians 3: 14-19 (p.1,174)

Today's Groups for Children and Young People at our 10.45am service

Sparklers (0-3s) in the Beacon Café
(with live-link from church)

"Flame" (for children aged 3 - Year 3 at school) - in the Hall

"Recharge" (for children in School Years 4-7) - in the Beacon Room

6.30pm - "SOUL" meeting in the Beacon Room

Does God play Dice? Lessons from Nanotechnology

A public lecture by Prof. Russell Cowburn

Thurs 1st Nov at 7.30pm

Lecture Theatre A Building 46 (Physics A), Southampton Uni

See www.cis.org.uk or speak to Derek White for more details.

November Service Rota

If you serve on a Sunday at St. Mary's and haven't received the November rota via email, please collect your copy from the pigeon holes. *Thank you.*

We want people in Ferndown to ask questions about life, God and eternity. There are cards at the back of church for people to write their questions on. Please pick some up and give them to your friends and family.

There is also a sheet at the back of church if you could deliver some to streets in Ferndown - please sign up at the back of church to say which streets you are going to deliver to.

We are having 4 evenings to look at the top 4 questions. These will be held at the Beacon Café on Mon 5th, 12th 19th and 26th November at 7.30pm. We'd love to see you there!



Ministry in Wool

Tomorrow, Mon 15th October
at 10am in the Cafe.
All knitters welcome.



This Tuesday, 16th October at 2pm in the Church Lounge

To sit in silence with others is unusual. It might seem a waste of time when there is always so much we could be doing. But to stop and rest in God's presence is never time wasted. It actually strengthens us for the busyness of life. *All welcome.*



If you have a car that you are not using that you are willing to lend to someone for 6 months, please contact Sarah.

Christmas Shoe Boxes Samaritan's Purse

Leaflets are available at the back of church and Beacon Foyer. Samaritan's Purse have produced some flat pack shoeboxes that don't require wrapping! They cost 40p each and will be available to purchase at the back of church during coffee time on Sunday, or from the Church Office during the week. **Completed boxes need to be returned by Sunday 11th November. Please leave them at the back of church in the marked area.**

Safeguarding Workshop

Wed 24th Oct from 6-9pm

Diane Newton, our Safeguarding Rep., is again running workshops for those who volunteer with our various groups and who have yet to complete a safeguarding course.

We take safeguarding very seriously and ask that all volunteers working with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults undertake this informal but important and helpful training.

Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church if you would like to attend. More details on page 16 of the September edition of Spotlight.

Harvest Sunday Today



Food Gifts - This year all food gifts will be donated to the Bus Stop Club who are making up Christmas Hampers for families connected with them, and also CAP ("Christians Against Poverty") clients.

Financial Gifts - These will be donated to the John Thornton Young Achievers Foundation (JTYAF) which was set up in memory of John Thornton who was tragically killed in Afghanistan in 2008. The JTYAF provides opportunities for young people to help them to develop as individuals and fulfil their ambitions in life as John was able to do. Please place donations in the envelopes provided in the pews. If you are a UK tax payer, and if you would like to gift-aid your donation, please complete a declaration form available from the back of church.

Bring & Share lunch - our Harvest Service will be followed by a bring and share lunch in the Hall. All welcome.

We are hoping to arrange a Christmas Dinner on Christmas Day for those who would otherwise be on their own, as we have done in previous years. If you would like to be involved in preparation, washing up, clearing down etc. please email Sarah to register your interest revsarahpix@yahoo.co.uk

Art in Worship - "Pray, Listen, Create"

Wed 31st October, 1-3pm in Church

Come along and get creative. We will be reading Scripture, praying, and then creating something arty, whether that be a painting, sketch, writing a poem or song, etc.

Speak to Krystyna Evans for more details.

Bible Society Quiz Evening

Sat 27th Oct at 7pm at the United Church

£5 per head (max of 4 people per team). Includes a light meal with tea and coffee. All proceeds to Bible Society. Tickets available from the Office.

Prayer Diary

Monday: What are you thankful for today? Begin the day in gratitude and keep it going throughout the day! Try giving thanks for every good thing you encounter.

Tuesday: Pray for the PCC as they meet this evening. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide all the conversation and decisions, and that it will be a fruitful meeting for God's kingdom.

Wednesday: Pray for the people of Indonesia as they continue to sort through the devastation caused by the earthquake and tsunami. Pray that donated aid will quickly reach those most in need.

Thursday: Pray that the name of Jesus will be exalted in this nation. Pray that the Church will be faithful in proclaiming the Good News, and that people will hear and respond.

Friday: Pray for local children and families as schools break up for half term. Pray that God would strengthen and protect families and pray for safety, rest and refreshment.

Saturday: Pray for the team planning Ferndown's Big Question and for those going into Ferndown today to ask people for their questions. Pray for a great response to the campaign and for wisdom for the team as we consider how best to respond to the questions that are asked.

Sunday: Pray that today you will encounter the Presence of God as we gather to worship. Ask God to show you what you can bring. Who can you bless?

PRAYER FOCUS

'Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.' *Revelation 22:1-2*

Every Day with Jesus (Bible Notes)

The November/December edition is now available to buy from the bookstall at the back of Church.

Indonesia Tsunami Appeal

Tearfund is working as a part of the DEC to send relief to Sulawesi in the wake of the earthquake and tsunami. Any donations can be directed through them:-
www.tearfund.org/en/latest/indonesia_tsunami_appeal/

Services Next Week ...

Thursday 18th October 2018 - 10.00am - Holy Communion in Church

Sunday 21st October 2018

9.00am - Breakfast Church in the Hall

9.00am - Morning Worship in Church

10.45am - Morning Worship in Church

6.30pm - "Hungry" (with Holy Communion) in the Café