

Welcome!

A warm St Mary's welcome to you! If you are new or visiting St Mary's please make yourself known to us - We hope you will feel at home here. Please take a **Welcome Leaflet** from your pew or the back of the church and hand in the reply slip if you wish.



NEWCOMERS EVENING Monday 30th November, 8pm - 9.30pm in the hall
If you are new to St Mary's please speak to a member of our welcome team at the back of church or the office for more info about this event.

Children – We are delighted to welcome all children to St Mary's! Our crèche and children's groups meet during both of our morning services. The children and young people are normally in church for 10-15 minutes before going out for their groups. They will return to join us for the final song and the end of the service.

Crèche: 0-3 yrs (Vestry) **Rockets:** 3-5yrs (Venue 2) **Comets:** 5-8 yrs (Hall)
Ignite: 8-11yrs (Venue 1) **Pathfinders:** 11-14yrs (Youth Room)

Induction Loop in operation. If wearing a hearing aid, please turn to position **T**

LARGE PRINT SONGSHEETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM OUR WELCOME TEAM

8.00am – Holy Communion

9.15am & 11.00 am – Morning Worship

This morning we are delighted to welcome Tanas Alqassis from the Church Mission Society as our guest preacher this morning

Come and join us for tea, coffee and biscuits
in the hall between the services from 10.25am – 11.10am



7.00pm - HUNGRY Contemporary Service

New Sermon Series: Hidden Warfare

Theme: "Battle Orders"

Leader: Debbie Austin Preacher: Andrew Harmer

Come and join us for Bible Teaching and contemporary worship.

Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, juices and donuts will be available after the service.



St Mary's Church Contacts

Parish Office: St Mary's Church, Church Road, Ferndown, Dorset BH22 9EU

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Rev. Martin Howard (Team Rector)

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Day off: Friday

Mary Tyler (Children & Families Ministry)

Tel. (01202) 861516

Day off: Friday

Collect for the last Sunday Before Advent (Christ the King)

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen

Church Events & Notices



BIBLES AND BIBLE STUDY NOTES

During coffee time and after the 11am service today and next Sunday there will be a wide selection of Bibles and Bible Study notes available for you to browse through. All these resources are available to order – simply fill out an order form from the book stall. There are also copies of a Bible Reading Plan to help you read the Bible in a year.

BARNABAS FUND PETITION – there is a petition at the back of church for the Abolition of the Islamic Apostasy law, which is being coordinated by the Christian charity “Barnabas Fund” to support efforts by Muslims to ensure that if a Muslim chooses to leave their faith they are not liable to any penalty. If you would like to participate in this campaign please add your name to the petition.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DISPLAYS If you would like to sponsor one of our Christmas window displays please speak to Ann Jones or contact the Office.

A few tickets are still available for...

The Ladies' Christmas Craft Evening
This Friday, 7.30pm – 10pm - St Mary's Hall

Come and join us for some festive fun with Christmas crafts
Each craft will cost between £1 and £3 each – pay as you make.

Tickets are £2.50 (to include a glass of mulled wine & nibbles)

Available from Liz Howard (Tel. 876552)

See flyers for further information – DON'T MISS OUT!

CHRISTMAS LEAFLET COLLATION – We will be meeting in the youth room next Saturday from 10am – Noon to collate the Christmas leaflets into bundles for all the roads in Ferndown. Many hands make light work so if you can spare an hour or two please contact Tracey on 897087 or office@stmarys-ferndown.org.uk

COMPUTER VISION SYSTEM TRAINING - There will be a Computer Vision System training session on Wednesday 25th November at 7:30, in the church. If anyone would like to learn how to run the system that displays the songs and readings at Sunday services, please contact Andrew Harmer via the office - Thank you.

MOTHERS' UNION CHRISTMAS APPEAL – Please support the Mothers' Union appeal for Christmas gifts for the Salisbury Women's Refuge. Specially requested are presents for girls aged 4, 8, 11 and 14, boys aged 4, 6, 10 and 11 plus a one year old baby. Also 'trendy' ladies' pyjamas, sizes 8-18. Please do not wrap, but wrapping paper etc. welcomed. There is a box at the back of the Church and the **closing date is next Sunday**. Thank you.

MOTHERS' UNION CHRISTMAS CONCERT – The Ferndown MU invite you to a Christmas Concert performed by the choir of Ferndown First School on Thursday 3rd December, 2pm – 4pm in St Mary's Hall. Teas will be served afterwards. All are welcome but please RSVP to Monica Gillings via the office by 30th November.

MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES – Christmas is now looming large on the horizon and plans are in full swing for our Christmas services. Following on from the success of last year we would like to provide mulled wine and a non-alcoholic alternative along with mince pies after our two services of Carols by Candlelight on Sunday 20th December. If you would like to donate a bottle of mulled wine, non-alcoholic fruit punch or some mince pies please add your details to the sign up form at the back of church. Thank you for helping with our festive hospitality!

SARAH PIX - Sarah officially begins work on Sunday 6th and we look forward to her preaching at St Mary's on Sunday 6th December. Sarah will be preaching at both services of Family Communion at 9.15am & 11am and in the evening at the youth-led Contemporary Carol Service at 7pm. Please do try to come to one of these services to welcome and support Sarah as she joins our church leadership team.

SCRIPTURE UNION NOTES – If you would like to start a subscription or if you currently subscribe to Scripture Union notes and wish to change or cancel your order for next year please contact the office in 897087 by Friday 27th November.

SMALL TABLES MISSING – A number of the small square GO-PAK collapsible tables normally stored in the hall have gone missing. If you have borrowed a small table and have simply forgotten to bring it back please can you do so ASAP. These tables are very expensive to replace so any returns would be much appreciated.

Other Notices & Local Events

LIVING IN FREEDOM PRAYER APPOINTMENTS – If you have undertaken "The Living In Freedom 1" course at Hampreston you are welcome to book in for a prayer appointment on Wednesday 2nd December. The slots available are 9.15am, 10.15am, 1pm, 2pm, 8pm and 9pm. To book please contact Louise Horlock via the office.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO JOIN "THE WAVE" AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE - Churches Together Wimborne have at least one coach booked to travel to London on Saturday 5th Dec for the Coalition March of over 100 organisations concerned with the Copenhagen Summit of World Leaders discussing Climate Change and its effects on the poor in December. They ask for people to wear blue and to bring blue banners, if possible. A coach will pick up St Mary's folk (and any friends) at church at 7.45am to arrive at Westminster Central Hall in time for the 11am service where the Archbishop of Canterbury will be speaking, prior to the march. The cost is £12 for adults (£10 for children). Arrive back in Ferndown at approx. 6.45pm. Please speak to either Judith Goldie on 877898, Liz Wood, 873456 or Sue Sanderson, 875310 for info, or to book.

St Mary's Website

Missed a sermon? Simply log onto our website <http://stmarys-ferndown.org.uk> and you can listen to sermons online or download them to listen to later.

There is also a new search filter to help make finding the sermon you want easier.

Christmas Leaflets – will be available from next Sunday!

Diary for next week . . .

Prayer meetings in the choir vestry every weekday (except Thurs) 9.00 -9.30am

Tuesday 24 th	10am – Noon 2pm – 3.30pm	Painting Group meets in venue 1 Toddlers meet in the hall
Wednesday 25 th	7.30pm	Computer vision system training & Worship band practice in church
Thursday 26 th	10.30am 5.45pm – 7pm	Holy Communion in church G-Force meets in the hall
Friday 27 th	7.30pm	Christmas Craft Evening in hall

Sermon Notes

