

# 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.

**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)

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LARGE PRINT SONGSHEETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM OUR WELCOME TEAM

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**EDUCATION SUNDAY** – This morning we are delighted to welcome staff from our local schools as we give thanks for all their hard work for the children and young people in our community and pray God's blessing upon them.

8.00am – Holy Communion

9.15am and 11am – Services of Morning Worship

Leader and Preacher: Martin Howard

*Sermon Series: "The Fruit of the Spirit" - This Week: "Patience"*

Readings: Luke 4:14-21 & 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

*Come and join us for tea, coffee and biscuits in the hall between the services*

7.00pm – Hungry Contemporary Service in the Hall

Leader: Martin Howard      Preacher: Sarah Pix

*Sermon Series: "The Life of Joseph" - This Week: "A Sexually Pure Stunner!"*

*Come and join us for focussed Bible Teaching and passionate worship.*

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

**St Mary's Prayer Link** - Would you like to send & receive prayer requests?

Join the St Mary's prayer link network - [stmarysprayer@fastmail.co.uk](mailto:stmarysprayer@fastmail.co.uk)

## **HAITI EARTHQUAKE APPEAL - THANK YOU!**

Donations from the last two Sundays have totalled £1,075. This has been sent to help the victims of the Haiti earthquake via Tearfund. Thank you for your generosity!

## **St Mary's Church Contacts**

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

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Day off: Friday

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Day off: Weds

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# Church Events & Notices



*Last chance ladies!*  
Join us at St Mary's for a Girl's Night In  
"COLOUR ME BEAUTIFUL"  
Next Friday at 7.30pm



Come along for a fun evening of information, inspiration and motivation with our award-winning speaker and image consultant Gayna Cooper.

*Gayna will be sharing her inspirational testimony with us so why not invite a non-Christian friend to this brilliant event?*

Tickets are £5 (includes a glass of wine) available from Liz Howard (Tel. 876552).

Don't miss out! Get your tickets today!

*Also available: Mini consultations with Gayna on Sat 6th Feb (10-11.30am) - £50 each (includes colour swatches) Only 4 spaces — speak to Liz to book ASAP*

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**CAR PARK** – You will have noticed today that the parking area between the hall entrance and the church north door entrance has been sectioned off. We are going to do this as an experiment for a month with the view of improving the safety of children and those with mobility difficulties as well as to ensure clear access to our church and hall buildings. Work also needs to be done to fix some tarmac which has "blown" following the recent extreme weather. If you are able-bodied please park in the Tesco car park and walk through, allowing less mobile church members and those with babies and small children to use the main car park.

**FREEZER** – The freezer in the kitchen will be defrosted and cleaned on Wednesday. If you have anything stored there please remove it before then.

**LOST PROPERTY** – Today is your last chance to collect any lost property that has been left behind over the Christmas period. Please check the display in the hall and collect anything that belongs to you. Any items left will be given to a local charity shop or disposed of.

**Men's Group**

## Planning Night

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm  
at 45 Albert Road (Gary Tyler's)  
Contact Gary via the office on 01202 897087 /  
office@stmarys-ferndown.org.uk

## CURRY NIGHT - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm in the Hall

Is there more to life than this? Find out from Hurricane Survivor, Fire Fighter and ex-Falklands Commando Mark Stubbs.

Great Curry with Great Company – Bring a non-Christian friend!

Invitations are available from the back of church & hall foyer

Tickets available from Gary Tyler at coffee time and from the office in the week.

*Single Tickets: St Mary's Man - £12.50, Guests - £11, Youth (under 21) (£8).*

***Double Tickets : Special Offer: St. Mary's Man + Guest = £22***

**MOTHERS' UNION** - We meet this Thursday in the hall at 2.30pm for our AGM & enrolment of new members. Please remember subscriptions of £15.50 are due.

**PRAYER POWER HOUR** - It has been hugely valuable to pray each month for the work of the parish. But other ideas are bubbling up, and Sarah is working on a new pattern for small groups, discipleship and prayer, and I think now is the time for me to lay down this small monthly prayer gathering and see what God wants to say to us. I wonder what other areas of church life we need to lay down so that the Lord can truly lead us into fruitfulness? Now there's a thought to challenge us! I intend to lead you, however imperfectly, by example. Please keep praying for our Church and use the monthly prayer diary as your key focus in the mean time.  
*Yours in Christ, Martin.*

**PRAYER MEETINGS THIS WEEK** – All are welcome to join us for “Prayers for Children & Young People” on Monday, 2.30pm at Wickham Court and also for “Prayers for the Persecuted Church” on Wednesday, 2.15pm at 4 Woodside Close

**SERVICE ROTA AVAILABILITY REQUEST** – A reminder that a message has been sent out via e-mail and the letter rack to all service rota volunteers requesting your availability over the March – May period. Please complete the availability form and return it to your rota co-ordinator by Monday. Thanks.

**SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATIONS** - From the 15th February, there will be one monthly communication going to small groups with requests for help, or highlighting forthcoming events. If you have something that you would like to be included in the first issue, please can you email it to Tracey at the office or put a note in the office pigeon hole, by Wednesday 10th Feb. The next issue will be out in mid-March.

**THANK YOU!** – The Ferndown Cancer Research UK Relay For Life committee would like to thank everyone at St Mary's for their support of the Spanish Extravaganza evening held last week. After expenses, the evening raised £700. Particular thanks go to Barry and Chris Robertson who worked incredibly hard washing up in the kitchen.



**Pilot Session: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February, 10am – Noon**

Give Mum a break! Drop-in session for pre-schoolers & their dads, stepdads, granddads and male carers with coffee, bacon butties and newspapers.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** – We need two volunteers to staff the kitchen on Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Feb and Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> April to make teas & coffees and bacon butties and to wash up and clear away afterwards. Please contact Gary via the office on 897087 or e-mail [office@stmarys-ferndown.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarys-ferndown.org.uk) if you would be available or would like more info.

## Other Notices & Local Events

**BIBLE SOCIETY CELEBRATION SERVICE** – All are welcome to this special service at Wimborne Minster on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 5pm – 7pm. The latest edition of “Bible News” is also available at the back of church.

## *Events next week...*

*Prayer meetings in the **youth room** every week day (except Thurs) 9.00 -9.30am*

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	11.30am	Funeral of Shaun Seabright in Church
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30pm	Dance Ministry in the Hall
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm-4.30pm	Mothers' Union AGM in the Hall
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	"Girl's Night In" in the Hall
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	10am – Noon	"Who let the Dads out?" in the Hall



*We are sad to report that last weekend two members of our church family, Beryl Jarvis and Eric Wilkins, died. Beryl's funeral will be held at St Mary's on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 1pm. Eric's funeral will be held at St Mary's on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 1.30pm. Please pray for their loved ones, that they will know God's love and comfort at this time.*

### **Sermon Notes**

