

St Mary's : Church Diary

Monday - Saturday (except Bank Holidays): 8.30 am Morning Prayer &
5.30 pm Evening Prayer:

Wed 15th Nov	10.00 am	Holy Communion (followed by coffee)
Thurs 16th Nov	2.15 pm	M&M's (Mary and Martha's) Service for very young children (in the Leslie Room)
Fri 17th Nov	11.00 am	Holy Communion (at Horsham Hospital)
Sat 18th Nov	7.30 pm	West Sussex Philharmonic Choir Concert
SUNDAY 19th Nov	8.00 am	Holy Communion
2nd Sunday	9.30 am	Parish Communion (with the Lighthouse Children's Club)
Before Advent	11.30 am	Holy Baptisms
	5.00 pm	Informal Service

St Mary's : For our Prayers

Sunday Intercessions & Prayer Focus for each day this week

In 2017 St Mary's is supporting in the wider world: World Vision & Christian Aid

In the UK & Sussex we are supporting: The Bible Society.

In Horsham we are supporting the Horsham Churches Together Projects; Anchor Counselling & Therapy. For more information on these organisations please see the Serving and Transforming the Community noticeboard at the back of church.

At St. Mary's – **Our Worshipping and Praying.**

We give thanks for the success of World Vision in providing bicycles to thousands of children in Zimbabwe, enabling them to make their long journeys to school more quickly and safely and helping them to complete their education.

Monday	Our ministry of intercession (School for Prayer, Prayer Chain, Healing Prayer Team)
Tuesday	Our visitors prayers (votive candles, prayer fish etc.)
Wednesday	Our midweek services and home communions.
Thursday	Our intercession leaders, lesson readers, servers and vergers
Friday	Our choir and musicians.
Saturday	Our Sunday Services

12th November 2017
Remembrance Sunday

Welcome to St Mary's!

Especially if this is your first visit – we hope you will enjoy the service. If you are new to us please pick up information about all that St. Mary's offers from the Welcome Table near the Church door. Members of the welcome team will of course be delighted to answer any questions you may have.

We hope you will be able to stay after the 9.30 service, and join us for a cup of coffee. Please do introduce yourself to one of the clergy or a member of the welcome team, who would love the chance to get to know you better.

To find out MUCH MORE about life at St. Mary's please visit

www.stmaryshorsham.org.uk

(or contact the Church Office on 01403 253762)




YEAR OF THE BIBLE 2017

Today at St Mary's

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| 8.00 am | Holy Communion (Service Book p 199; Reading 2 Timothy 1.1-14 & Matthew 25.1-13) |
| 9.30 am | Parish Communion (with the Lighthouse Children's Club) |
| 11.15/30 am | Remembrance Day Parade Service (No Kairos) |
| 5.00 pm | Evensong (Hymns from NEH448, 366, 244; Ps 70; Readings Judges 7.2-22 & John 15.9-17) |

St Mary's Church Family News

This Week

 **Year of the Bible Competition for everyone at St Mary's to enter:** We're going to make a book! We've picked some verses and numbered them from 1 – 100. It's £1 to enter. Pick a number – you'll be emailed the verse to illustrate as you wish: paint, collage, pencils, photos etc. All pictures to be submitted to either the church office, Richard Pearson or Fiona Prentice by Nov 19th. See the team at the font after the 9.30 service in church. Full details on registration. ALL PROFITS GO TO THANKS A MILLION. **Please note the deadline has been extended to 19th Nov and we want to make it clear that it is open to EVERYONE to enter – young/old, children/adults!**

TONIGHT Youth Alpha Course Year 6-13 Starting on 2nd Sundays every month. Introduction Evening to **Sun 12th Nov @7pm Holy Trinity Church Hall**, Rushams Road. PIZZA. DRINKS. FUN. OTHERS YOUR AGE... EXPLORE CHRISTIAN FAITH WITH NO PRESSURE, AND NO QUESTION TOO SILLY. More info: Judi Cox. 01403-210207. judi@youthworker.plus.com or Your Church Youth Leader.

St Mary's School's HSA shopping evening, with nearly 30 handpicked local businesses coming under the same roof. There will be a wide range of businesses at the school on the night, including artists, fashion stalls, food outlets, beauty therapists and even a florist. For just £5 a ticket visitors will not only gain access to this event in the school hall on **Tuesday, November 14 (6.30pm to 9pm)** but also receive a glass of prosecco and a mince pie. All funds raised will go to St Mary's School. **Tickets can be purchased after the 9.30am service in church today** or by contacting celiahurren@hotmail.com or on the door. We hope to see you on the night.

Thursday 16th Nov 2.15pm M&M's (Mary and Martha's) service for very young children; in the Leslie Room - all welcome.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Thankyou for Jimmy Young : Jimmy and Debs Young are leaving us on Sunday 7th January 2018, as Jimmy completes his curacy at St. Mary's and moves to his new Parish in Crawley. A special farewell will be held for them after the 9.30am service on 7th Jan, during which a gift will be presented as a token of our warm thanks for Jimmy's ministry among us these last 4 years. If you would like to contribute to this leaving gift please make your contribution through the church office, clearly marked "Jimmy's Leaving Gift". Thankyou.

St Mary's Christmas cards: These are on sale in packs of 10 for £3.50 at the back of the Church and in the Church Office. The proceeds will be shared equally between St Mary's Choir and St Mary's Church Fabric Fund. We hope you will support us as before, thank you. Contact Jo Benson . Phone: [01403 255477](tel:01403255477). Email: jobenson@btinternet.com

HCT NIGHT SHELTER 1st Dec 2017-15 Mar 2018: Thank you for sending in completed and signed Volunteer Applications. More volunteers are still needed. Application forms are available in Church or from the Church Office. Thankyou.

The Oasis Centre was established to provide compassionate and independent advice and support to those facing decisions associated with unintended pregnancy and pregnancy loss as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion. It also runs an education programme in local schools for around 2,000 pupils every year. Next prayer meeting is in Horsham on **Mon 13th Nov at The Oasis Centre, 11 Queen Street, Horsham**. Everyone is welcome.



BIBLE STUDY DAY: Understand the New Testament in a Whole New Way! Join us on **Saturday 18th November at 10am at St Andrew's School, Nuthurst RH13 6LH**; bring a packed lunch. Tickets £14 Book online at: www.bible.org.uk or by ring Julia Peters on 01403 730633

Fellowship Sunday: 3rd Sunday of the month - **Nov 19th & Dec 17th 2.15-4pm** in St Leonard's Hall, Cambridge Road. Open to all for sharing company with optional crafts and games with refreshments. For more information contact Margaret Hearnden 01403 210733

Saturday 25th November Fairtrade Christmas Market at St. John's RC Church Hall Horsham between 10am – 4pm. Come and buy for your Fairtrade Christmas presents, choosing from a wide variety of different Fairly Traded crafts from across the world.

There will shortly be a vacancy for a PCC foundation governor for St Mary's C of E (Aided) Primary School. For further information about the role please contact the PCC Secretary brendalarge@btinternet.com, who will be able to put you in touch with the Joint Chairs of Governors Claire Swarbrick and Celia Hurren.

Coming soon

Thursday 23rd Nov 10.30 am: The **Informal coffee morning** will take place in the church centre. These coffee mornings follow on from a **simple Eucharist (in St Peter's Chapel in the church centre) at 10.00am** to which all are welcome and are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays in the month: next date is 14th Dec.

St Mary's Choir Cake Stall - St Cecilia's Day: To celebrate St Cecilia's day and raise funds for our Choir, we are holding a cake stall after the 9:30am service on **Sunday 26th November** at the back of the church. Please support us!

Sun 26th Nov 12.15-2.30pm St Mary's Pre-School Christmas Fair at the Barn: Come for a Christmas BBQ with New St Butcher's sausages, Weston Farm Pumpkin Soup and Mulled Wine. Christmas Market stalls including personalized gifts, Santa's Grotto, Bouncy Castle, Raffle, Face Painting & Winter Woodland Crafts with the new accredited Forest School... All proceeds go to Thanks a million for the Pre-School so Bring your CASH!

Saturday 2nd Dec 4.30pm Horsham Chamber Choir Concert in Church: Monteverdi: A Christmas Vespers; Elgar: The Snow; Taverner: The Lamb; Lauridsen: O magnum mysterium; Tickets available on the door or call 07730 983314: £13, under 18's: £6. Mulled apple juice served from 4pm; concert ends by 6.30pm.

Mon 4th Dec 7.30pm – HOPE Monthly Parish Prayer Meeting at St Mary's: All the St. Mary's church family are encouraged to join with members of our 3 sister churches in Horsham Parish, in making this monthly prayer meeting a priority in our diaries.



Friday 8th Dec 7.30pm Mediaeval Baebes Concert tickets (£25) now available from the church office and online from www.mediaevalbaebes.com

HORSHAM CHURCHES TOGETHER CHRISTMAS EVENT – SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2017
11am-4pm; Children's Musical Nativity with Little Notes; a Christmas Concert; Family Nativity Trail; Carol Service. If you would like to help, please contact Rosemary Couchman, HCT's Development Co-ordinator rosemary.couchman@horshamct.org.uk 07566 202741

Sunday 3rd Dec 8am Breakfast - all welcome in the Leslie room for free continental breakfast after the service.



Sunday 3rd Dec: 18s to 30s Brunch: Calling all young adults to enjoy brunch together after All Age Worship. A chance to hang out and enjoy good food together on the **First Sunday of every Month** at 11:15am at Bills, Market Square. For more information contact Matt Lee on youthwork@stmaryshorsham.org.uk or 07597 702394

Sunday 3rd Dec 3.00pm-4.30pm Welcome Tea in the Vicarage – A chance for all newcomers to St. Mary's Church to meet church leaders, ask any questions and hear about our vision as “a Church inspired by God's passion for the world”. Please RSVP to the vicarage H. 272919.

Mothers' Union – All welcome in the Barn, refreshments served at **10am for 10.30 start Tuesday 28th November** Rev'd Canon Ian Hutchinson-Cervantes, World Mission Officer Diocese of Chichester talk on 'Companion Links: Sharing the One Bread and Journey'.

Thursday 30th Nov from 8:30pm: What's the Pint? A number of us from the Parish meet on the last Thursday of each month for a social evening. Please feel free to join us at the Foresters Arms, St Leonard's Road, Horsham – contact Martin Dexter 01403 268859.

Café Connect happens every 2nd Sunday of the month (term time only!) 7 - 8:30pm at Holy Trinity Church, Rushams Road. For year 7+. A chance to explore faith, ask questions and hang out with your mates & eat pizza! For more information please call our Youth Worker Matt Lee on 07597 702394

St Mary's Pre-School Christmas Fair

Sunday 26th Nov
12:15pm – 14:30pm at
the Barn, Causeway



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