

20th Oct 2019 18th Sunday after Trinity

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: Tel. 01403 253762 Email: office@stmaryshorsham.org.uk)

Today

8.00 am Holy Communion (Genesis 32.22-31 & & Luke 18.1-8)

9.30 am Parish Communion (with the Lighthouse Children's Club)

11.30 am Holy Baptisms

6.30 pm Healing Service with Guest Speaker Rev'd. Alan Mayer

Revd Canon Lisa Barnett

The Churchwardens are very pleased and delighted to announce the appointment of The Reverend Canon Lisa Barnett to be the new Team Rector of the Horsham Team Ministry.

Lisa joins us from Scaynes Hill where she is currently the Vicar of St. Augustine's Church. She will be licensed in St. Mary's Church on Thursday 6th February at 7.30pm.

To find out a little more about Lisa please see our Church Website.

This Week

Come and pray for our nation in the run up to 31st October, as important decisions are made regarding our future. We will have prayer stations to support you in doing this set up in the Holy Trinity Chapel, next to the main entrance. Open from 9am-2pm every day. Further prayer resources are available: https://www.eauk.org/what-we-do/prayer-centre/praying-ahead-of-brexit/brexit-prayer-series

Roof Rafter repairs October 2019: During the roof rafter repairs, which are expected to take 4 weeks, the East End of the South Aisle will be closed. During the 9.30am service on Sunday mornings communion will not be administered from St. John's Chapel. Instead communion for those sitting in the South aisle will be administered from the Font. Please wait to be guided by a sidesperson. Laying on of hands will continue in as usual in All Saints Chapel. The prayer globe has temporarily relocated to All Saints Chapel. Thank you for your patience during these essential repairs. Kind regards, your Churchwardens

TONIGHT Sunday 20th October 6.30pm Healing Service with Guest Speaker Rev'd. Alan Mayer. The theme is "Christ's Healing Touch". All are welcome as we come together to seek God's blessing and His healing of soul, mind and body.

Mon 21st Oct: 7.30pm in the Barn: Horsham Music Circle presents an appearance by the acclaimed improvising pianist Harry the Piano. Tickets from Horsham Museum, from the Circle on 01403 252602, on the door, or on line at www.wegottickets.com/HorshamMusicCircle Mothers' Union Talks: 10am for 10.30am in the Barn – all welcome for 22nd Oct Talk by David Pellatt - Mission to Seamen; 26th Nov Talk by Karen Hill – "Hayley's Wish" (Children's Hospital & campaign).

Thurs 24th **Oct 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 Nov.

Coming soon



In conjunction with Horsham Deanery SPIRITUAL TREASURES – A GREAT HALF TERM ACTIVITY: As part of the year of culture, Churches in our area are taking part in a 'Spiritual Treasures Trail' which involves visiting all the churches taking part, answering questions and collecting stickers along the way. Anyone can take part and there is a prize draw for children who enter their completed trails. Trail sheets are available at the back of church.

LIGHT TENT IN THE CARFAX (THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER 10am-4pm) Horsham District Council will be partnering with Food Rocks to deliver a Halloween Event in the Carfax. Horsham Churches Together will be providing light-themed activities for children and families from 10am to 4pm.

Sun 3rd Nov 8am Breakfast - all welcome in the Leslie room for free continental breakfast after the service. Next date is 1st Dec.



Sunday 3rd Nov at 6.30pm Service of Commemoration & Evensong for All Souls / **All Saints':** A special service when we remember all our loved ones who are no longer with us. "Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, and let Light eternal shine upon them". All are welcome. If you would like your loved one's name to be remembered in prayer in the service but you can't attend in person please let the church office know and we will make a note for their name to be included.

H.O.P.E. Parish Prayer Evening 7.45-9pm Monday 4th Nov at St. Leonard's (Horsham Open Prayer Evening) We 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. Next date is Sunday 29th December 2019 10am Communion Service at St. John's Church in Broadbridge Heath.

Thurs 7th Nov 9.30am St Mary's Church of England Primary School Open Morning: For parents of children interested in joining our school in September 2020. There will be a presentation from the Headteacher followed by a tour of the school. We look forward to welcoming you, there is no need to book. www.stmarysschoolhorsham.co.uk

Thurs 7th Nov 7.3opm in the Manor Room, Church Centre - St Mary's Book Club We are reading Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a relentless God by Francis Chan. All are welcome. No need to let us know in advance, but if you want to find out more, either speak to the Church Office or Katherine Potter in church.

Meditation course 7.45pm Thursday evenings 7th Nov – 5th Dec: "A pathway to a new life" Alan Mayer is giving a series of talks based on his book "The Empty Circle and the Cross", using as its starting point the Parable of the Sower and the ancient parable of the Oxherd seeking a lost Ox. The idea is to help us to find the spiritual path in a confusing world, and Alan draws on his own experience alongside scripture and tradition to help us progress in our spiritual understanding. Sessions are in the Leslie Room or Church Centre – please sign up online (church website or mychurchsuite) or via the church office (places are limited).



Sat 9th Nov 7.45pm St Mary's Jazz Evening with fish and chip supper –tickets (£18) are now on sale from the church office, our website and Waterstones.

Girl Guides / Coco Foundation Craft Fair Sat 16th Nov 10am-3pm in the Barn – wide ranging stalls including hand painted silk items, pictures, jewellery, gifts for Christmas, birthdays and other celebrations, gift cards – all hand crafted. Also enjoy a homemade cake and a cuppa.

Thankyou for Rev'd. Natalie Loveless: As many of you will already know the Rev. Natalie Loveless is leaving St. Leonard's Church and the Parish of Horsham at the end of November to move to Rustington. Natalie's last service at St. Mary's will be the 6.30pm evening service on 17th November. We hope that as many people from St. Mary's and from across the Parish as possible will be able to join us for the service. A gift will be presented as a token of our warm thanks for her ministry among us. If you would like to contribute to this leaving gift please make your contribution through the church office, clearly marked "Natalie's Leaving Gift". There is a card for everyone to sign a farewell message - available at the back of church. Thankyou.

Getting ready to welcome Rev. Lisa Barnett

Adding your photograph to ChurchSuite: For those of you who use MyChurchSuite, have you thought about uploading your photo? Some people have already and it has been very useful. We thought that it would very helpful if more people could add their photos to help Rev. Lisa Barnett get to know us when she arrives. If you want to know how to do it or have your photo taken, then please speak to Nigel Stalley.

Vicarage Garden Tidy Up: Since Guy and Jebs moved out of the vicarage last year the vicarage garden has become rather overgrown. Steve Benson has kindly been mowing the lawns but the flower beds, in particular, need some tidying up. We are arranging for a working party to meet on **Saturday 9th November** between 9am and 1pm to do an autumn tidy up. The more who turn up the easier it will be, so please think about giving a few hours to help out. Martin Dexter will be supplying his famous bacon butties! so it would be really helpful if you can let the Church Office or the Churchwardens know if you are coming, so that we have enough bacon butties to go round.

HORSHAM CHURCHES NIGHT SHELTER – 1st December 2019 to 31st March 2020: Volunteer recruitment for the Horsham Churches Night Shelter has started – application forms are available at the back of church or from the church office if you are able to help. We will be hosting the Night Shelter in the Barn, Church Centre on Sunday evenings this year. Completed and signed application forms should be sent to Horsham Matters by 1st Nov. Any queries to emma.elnaugh@horsham-matters.org.uk Thank you.

Informal service Late November 2019 to March 2020: The 6.30pm informal service, that normally takes place in the Barn, will now be taking place either in Church or the Leslie room over the winter months. This is because the Horsham Night Shelter will be in the Barn on Sunday evenings.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ECO Church: Do not pollute the land where you are." Numbers 35:33 In our common goal of getting one step closer to an even greener church, we are eagerly inviting you to bring your own reusable cup for refreshments to church. This will cut down hugely on our use of paper cups. Thank you for your attention.

Volunteers to help at St. Mary's Pre-School: Would anyone be willing to help us out at the Pre-School, for an hour now and again, to help with odd jobs such as the washing up from 10 - 11am. We would arrange for you to have a DBS check and safeguarding training if you had not already completed this. If you are interested contact Lai Brooking or Karen Inglis-Taylor on 01403 250223 (between 9-3 weekdays) or email stmaryspreschool2o@gmail.com

YMCA Downslink Group: could you make a real difference to the lives of vulnerable young people? Volunteers needed at the Horsham Y Centre, to prepare a hot meal and sit and eat around the table with the residents of the Y Centre. Thursday evenings 7.30pm to 9.30pm one evening every 2-3 weeks. Contact Samantha, West Sussex YMCA Chaplain: Samantha.burton@ymcadlg.org or call 07557855779 for details.

Church Office Volunteer Request: Do you have a heart for the work of the St Mary's Church Family? Our Church office administration increasingly uses computer technology, so we need more help and expertise particularly in this area. If you are computer literate, good at administrative tasks, and can commit to at least two regular sessions a week then please speak to one of our Churchwardens (Nigel, Steve or Morag) for more information or alternatively pop in to the office and speak to Ali (our Church Administrator). Ideally, we are looking for someone to help during Church office hours (9.15am-2pm), but if you can't get into the office, there are plenty of jobs that can be done remotely across the internet! If you might be interested please either call into the Church office, ring Ali on 01403 253762 or email the Churchwardens churchwarden@stmaryshorsham.org.uk or Ali via office@stmaryshorsham.org.uk

ONE GOOD FRIDAY 2020 - HORSHAM PASSION PLAY (10TH APRIL 2020)



The One Good Friday 2020 – Horsham Passion Play will be performed in Horsham on Friday 10th April 2020 at 12noon and 3.15pm, with the permission of Wintershall. This is a Horsham Churches Together project which page 1. performed in Horsham on Friday 10th April 2020 at 12noon and Churches Together project which needs volunteers from across the churches and the community:

Actors: the next audition is planned for mid November; cast rehearsals will be January-April 2020 – we're looking at Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons. Disciples and priests are especially needed! Other speaking and non-speaking parts are also available.

Costumes and props: would you like to join the costumes and props team? We will be borrowing, adapting, making or buying the costumes and props needed and will especially need people with making and sewing skills.

Financial donations towards the cost of the performances would be very welcome and may be made direct to Horsham Churches Together's Bank Account - please email for information.

Prayer: to join the One Good Friday 2020 – Horsham Passion Play WhatsApp Prayer Group, please email your mobile number asking to join.

For further information and to volunteer, please email horsham@onegoodfriday.com www.onegoodfridaycom/horsham

Fri 15th Nov 7pm Organ Recital in Church Join international concert organist D'Arcy Trinkwon and Friends for a programme of popular organ music paired with words and readings by Nigel Parkin. Tickets £15 available from http://www.shipleyartsfestival.co.uk/

Thurs 21st Nov 7pm Dragon Event - Children from five Horsham District schools, Windlesham House, Great Ballard School, The Yehudi Menuhin School string orchestra and the String Academy breathe fiery life into a dragon-themed concert. This is one of two Horsham District Year of Culture closing events, presented by Horsham Festival and Shipley Arts Festival. Tickets £15 available from http://www.shipleyartsfestival.co.uk/

Choir teas: the Mothers' Union is organising the rotas for provision of afternoon tea for the choir once a month before Choral Evensong. Would you be able to help serve? Or to provide sandwiches or cake? Please contact Sue Lismer or the office.

Treasures talk with Rupert Toovey February 2020: We are looking for a team of people to help plan and run the Treasures Talk with Rupert Toovey on 8th February 2020. This is to be a social and fundraising event in aid of our Thanks A Million appeal. If you might be interested in helping or would like to find out more please speak to our Churchwardens (churchwarden@stmaryshorsham.org.uk) or Ali (office@stmaryshorsham.org.uk) in the Church office (01403 253762).

Pastoral Support: if you or anyone you know are going into hospital or are poorly please let the church office know so that we can offer practical support and prayer. **Pastoral Care at St Mary's:** we now have the ability to keep a confidential record of a contact name and phone number for our parishioners for use if an emergency happens. For example if someone is taken ill in a church service or if we haven't seen someone for some time and are worried about them. If you'd like us to record your "in case of emergency" or "ICE" contact details please let the church office know. Only key staff would have access to this information. (Forms available at the back of church.)

	Mon - Sat (St Mary's: Church Diary [except Bank Holidays): 9 am Morning Prayer
Wed 23 rd Oct	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Thurs 24 th Oct	10.00 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Chapel, Church Centre (followed by coffee)
Fri 25 th Oct	11.00 am	Holy Communion (at Horsham Hospital)
SUNDAY 27 th Oct Last Sunday after Trinity	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion (with children's activities in the Leslie Room) Kairos (informal service for children and their families) Informal Service in the Barn, Church Centre

St Mary's: For our Prayers

Sunday Intercessions & Prayer Focus for each day this week

In 2019 St Mary's is supporting the following organisations:

- In Horsham: Horsham Matters, Turning Tides (formerly Worthing Churches Homeless Projects) Horsham Services, & Salvation Army's Hope In project
- In Sussex: Family Support Work
- In the wider world: TeachBeyond & Christian Aid

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 Growing as Disciples

We ask for God's blessing on the Trustees and staff of **Family Support Work.** We pray that His wisdom and compassion will guide their decisions and actions as they serve vulnerable families across Sussex.

Monday	Our Church homegroups
Tuesday	Our ministry with children (The Lighthouse, Little Footprints, Nursery School)
Wednesday	Our personal growth in faith & godliness (via Bible reading, prayer life, etc)
Thursday	Our study courses (Bishop's Certificate, Confirmation classes, Ministry training)
Friday	Our youth ministry (TGI Fridays, "Enter" services, etc)

Saturday Our preaching & teaching ministry at St. Mary's (Sermons etc)