



Welcome to
St. Mary's
Andover

NoticeSheet

**We are a community of faith
that SEEKS God in worship
SERVES one another
and SHARES the love of Jesus**

Sunday 5th February

Theme: Eco Church Green Communion

9am Holy Communion

Readings: Psalm 8:1-9

Matthew 5:13-16

Theme: Creation Care

10.30am Active All Age Worship

Readings: Psalm 8:1-9

Colossians 1:15-20

12.15pm St. Mary's Walkers

Wednesday 8th February

**Holy Communion Service at 10.30am
in St. Mary's Church led by Canon John**

Sunday 12th February

**We extend a warm welcome to Rob and Trish MacCurrach
who served for 7 years in Serbia as Crosslinks Mission Partners**

Theme: Life as Mission

Readings: Acts 2:38-41

John 15:9-16

9am Holy Communion with Prayer Ministry

10.30am Morning Worship with Communion and Prayer Ministry

Children and Families Leaders

Thank you for the warm welcome you gave Andy, Jo, Steven, Nathan and Peter when they visited us recently. They were very grateful and appreciated the time they were able to spend with so many people. Please continue to pray for what will be their new home, that it will be made ready for them to move into once the existing two month lease is ended. Pray too for the current tenants as they seek alternative accommodation. Andy and Jo are already praying and beginning preparations for their ministry amongst us, liaising with Canon John and Sue.

Reverend Lee

Please pray for Lee, our Curate, as he begins shadowing the Chaplaincy Team in HM Prison, Winchester from the **5th February to the 19th February**, as part of his Initial Ministerial Training (IME).

Church Weekend Away Fundraising

To build up a reserve towards the cost of the Weekend Away in 2018, Paula Deverill will be selling pots of daffodils (£3 or £4) after the services on the **5th February**. Please do support this initiative and enjoy these lovely Spring flowers.

St. Mary's Walkers

It's time to get out the walking shoes after the winter break! The next St. Mary's walk will be on **Sunday 5th February, starting from church at 12.15pm**. Please bring a packed lunch and suitable footwear. If you are interested in coming, please speak with Simon Nash.

The Andover Passion

If you are interested in performing, or helping with the Passion Play in any way, please come to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Hall on **Sunday 5th February at 3.30pm**. Actors, stewards, transport and more are needed! Contact Sharon on sharon.oleary11@virginmedia.com or 01264 392837.

The Marriage Preparation Course

Please remember in your prayers all the couples who will be getting married at St. Mary's this year, and for the team members, Canon John and Sue, Tom Etherton, Richard and Pen Barnes-Gorell and Mike and Clare Castle. The Marriage Preparation Course is being held in St. Mary's Church on **Wednesdays 8th, 15th and 22nd February and 1st and 8th March**.

Men's Group

Our 'Pie and Pint' Evening on **Wednesday 8th February** will be at the Anton Arms, Salisbury Road at **6.30pm**. We order our food by 6.40pm which will be served at 7pm. Two main courses for £9.49, so we pair up to pay! Please would you make a contribution towards Trevor Sleath's meal, who will be speaking to us about Andover Foodbank. All men invited, especially new ones. Our monthly evening gathering is on **Sunday 19th February** from **6.30pm to 8.30pm**. Please note we are meeting in the **Church Centre**, starting with soup and rolls, help with setting up tables and chairs would be appreciated. Our speaker will be Tim Townsend on 'Islam, and the challenge it is to our faith.' All men welcome, do sign the lists at the back of church.

Andover Young Musician of the Year

This exciting Classical and Popular Music Competition will be held in St. Mary's Church on **Thursday 9th February starting at 6.30pm**. Tickets are £10, with under 14's FREE and are available from David Mellor Jewellers and Chris Lynn, telephone 01264 396511 or 07810 848984. All proceeds from the evening are for St. Mary's Church.

Eco Church - Tools for Transformation

The event on **Thursday 9th February from 7.30pm to 9.30pm, doors open at 7pm**, will now be held at The Bridge instead of St. Thomas' Church, Charlton.

Women's World Day of Prayer - Friday 3rd March

The service this year is being held at All Saints Church, Church Lane, Upper Clatford SP11 7HB at **10.30am**. The theme is 'Am I Being Unfair to You' and has been prepared by the Christian women of the Philippines. If you would like a lift, speak with Sue Harkin, Eileen Surtees or Rosalyn Peszkowski.

Change of Date

Kindly note the rescheduled date for the Away Day will now be **Saturday 24th June** at Tangleby Parish Hall at Hatherden.

Andover Foodbank

This week the Foodbank are in need of rice and fruit juice (1 ltr) and have kindly asked people not to donate OUT OF DATE items! They are not able to give out these items and it costs time and money to dispose of them. Recently the Foodbank have had an influx of out of date donations, so please could you check the dates. Thank you.

Eco Church - Your Personal Carbon Footprint

The Eco Church scheme requires that churches calculate their carbon footprint and set a target to reduce the figure. Our PCC has now set a target of 5% for our church buildings. The scheme also asks that the church community be advised about the causes and impact of the carbon footprint caused by our use of fossil fuels to heat homes and for driving our cars. Enclosed is a page about this and guidance on how to calculate our carbon footprint. Please take the time to calculate your footprint and give thought to how you may personally reduce your impact on the atmosphere of God's world. If we all make small changes and reduce our carbon footprint together the sum of our changes will accumulate. Small changes really do make a difference and next month we will be encouraging participation in an annual event that delivers just that. The event is the WWF Earth Hour. For more information please contact Ann Smith.

Toilet Twinning

This project has been running since September and has had an amazing response as we have sent £1,218 to Toilet Twinning, which represents 17 Certificates. We have nearly enough money for one more so if anyone has been collecting, saving or fundraising, and has money to give in, would you please do so. For further information please speak with Heather.

Can you help please?

We need more people to join the monthly rota to help serve refreshments after the 10.30am Sunday morning services. If you are willing to join the team, please speak with Diane in the Church Office. Thank you.

*When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,
what is man that You are mindful of him,
the son of man that You care for him?
You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
and crowned him with glory and honour.
You made him ruler over the works of Your hands;
You put everything under his feet.*

Psalm 8: 3-6

Eco Church - Personal Carbon Footprint

The Eco Church scheme requires that the church community are aware of, monitor and reduce the effect their actions have on the earth. This document is about reducing the carbon footprint caused by our use of fossil fuels.

What is a Carbon Footprint?

Burning fossil fuels to heat and power our homes generates carbon dioxide. Driving our cars generates fumes which contain carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases that have implications for the people and other life on earth. This is often called the causes of global warming. The carbon footprint is a calculation of how much carbon dioxide each household generates.

Why is it Important?

It is important to reduce the carbon emitted into the atmosphere as this causes the earth to heat up. This can be seen by the melting of the Arctic ice and the droughts in hotter countries. Globally governments agree that all must seek to reduce the amount of carbon dioxide generated.

What can I do?

Plan to reduce the amount of carbon personally generated. Firstly calculate the amount personally generated and look for ways to reduce it year on year. This can be by switching items off, turning thermostats down by a degree or two and walking instead of driving for shorter trips. Remember that every little helps so we all can and should contribute.

How is the Carbon Footprint Calculated?

Identify how much power is used in your home in a year and for your car the amount of fuel used for the miles that have been driven.

To undertake your personal carbon footprint you need the following information:

1. Annual amount of electric units (kWh) used for a year. You will find this on your electric bill.
2. The amount of gas used in kWh for a year. This is found on you gas bill.
3. The amount of oil used in litres.
4. If you have a car - the mileage you drove in a year and the amount of petrol/diesel you used in litres.

In the table below you input your data in column 2, multiply it by the factor shown in column 3 and put the answer in column 4. To convert Answer 4 to tonnes divide answer 4 by 1000.

Item 1	Usage 2	Multiplier 3	Answer 4	Convert to Tonnes /1000
Example Electric	1520	0.537	816	0.816
Your Home Calculation				
Electric		0.537		
Gas		0.185		
Oil		3.179		
Your Home Total				
Your Car				
Car -petrol		2.315		
Car -diesel		2.63		
Your Car Total				
Total Answers				

Your carbon footprint is total of all answers in tonnes (a mass equal to 1000 kilograms).