Grapevine



Welcome to St. Mary's Andover
We are a community of faith
that SEEKS God in worship
SERVES one another
and SHARES the love of Jesus

Sunday 13th January
Theme: Jesus, the Meaning of Baptism
Readings: Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3:15-17 & 21-22
9 am Holy Communion
Canon Martin Coppen leading, Tom Etherton preaching
10.20 am Children's Church register in church
10.30 am Morning Worship with Communion
Tom Etherton & Reverend Pete Steele leading

Wednesday 16th January 10.30 am Holy Communion Service Led by Canon Martin Coppen

Sunday 20th January
Theme: Jesus: Gifts we bring.
Readings 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 & John 2:1-11
9.00 am Holy Communion
Led by Reverend Sue Hobbins, Derrick Norton Preaching
10.20 am Children's Church register in Church
10.30 am Morning Worship
Led by Heather Norton, Derrick Norton Preaching

There is an unsupervised play area available, through the doors at the back of church. This area contains toys, books, colouring and comfortable seating, in addition to sound and vision, Timetable for the Resource Church.

- Chris and Naomi moved into Vicarage on 28 December
- End of December 2018 Chris appointed as Priest in Charge
- 29th January Standing Committee Meeting
- Saturday 2 February 2019 Chris joins the PCC for their Awayday
- Tuesday 12 February 2019 PCC Meeting
- Sunday 3 March 2019 Formal induction and licensing of Chris as
 Vicar with senior members of Civic/Military/Church/Town community
- Tuesday 16 April 2019 PCC Meeting
- Tuesday 30 April 2019 APCM
- Summer 2019 Launch Resource Church (date to be agreed)

Prayer Meetings_

The Prayer Meetings will start again on **Thursday 17th January 2019** from **8 pm to 9 pm** in the Church Centre. The focus will be "New Beginnings". Following dates are Thursday 7th February, Tuesday 19th February, Thursday 7th March, Tuesday 18th March, Thursday 4th April and Monday 15th April.

BCM Taster Evenings

15th January 2019, 7pm to 8.30pm, Wolvesey, Winchester. SO23 9ND 16th January 2019, 7pm to 8.30pm, St Mark's Church, Kempshott RG22 5LQ This coming term we will be running four Bishop's Commission for Mission streams, two each at the above venues. BCM Pastoral and BCM Disciple at Wolvesey and BCM Witness and BCM Children, Families, Youth at Kempshott. We are offering two taster sessions for the BCM programmes on the dates above. There is no commitment to join a BCM programme by attending, just an opportunity to find out more about what the BCM offers. Phil Dykes (Evangelism, Church Growth and Fresh Expressions Advisor) and Andy Saunders (Children and Family Advisor) will share how the programmes work and offer a taste of the BCM experience. It is not necessary to book to attend but it would be very helpful to have an idea of numbers if possible. Contact the office for more information.

Andover Unity Christian Theatre Pantomime

Unity Christian Theatre Pantomime this year is Jack the Lad (The untold tale of the prodigal son). The venue is **The Lights** Friday 18th Jan 7.30 pm and Saturday 19th Jan at 2.30 pm and 7.30 pm. Tickets £7 Adult, £5 Child from the Lights Box Office - 01264 368368. Proceeds to the British Heart Foundation.

to enable you to see and hear the service.

Week of Christian Unity - Theme: Justice, 18 to 25 January 2019

There is an ACT service on **Sunday 20th January**, starting at **6.30 pm** at the Methodist Church on Bridge Street. The Methodist Church will be open for 30 minutes prayers starting at 12 and finishing with Communion at 12.30 pm Monday to Friday for those who wish to participate. Would anyone like to lead the prayers at the Methodist Church on Tuesday 22nd, Thursday 24th or Friday 25th? Contact the office or Carmel Leraci for more information.

Christingle Service in aid of Children's Society

We hosted over 600 adults and children at this service and raised £624.27 for the Children's Society from the collection. Many thanks to everyone who had a part in this service.

The Vine Trust Bookshop

The Vine Trust is looking for volunteers to help in their Christian Bookshop in Bridge Street Andover. The Vine Trust Bookshop is open six days a week from 10 am to 4 pm. We operate two shifts per day 10 am to 1 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm. We are looking for volunteers to help on Wednesday mornings and Saturdays. Please contact Brenda Sleath on 01264 355706, or email vinetrustandover@gmail.com alternatively, call into the shop to find out more or arrange a time for training. Full training will be provided. 'The Vine Trust', is a Christian charity that has worked in Andover for over 30 years. They operate The Vine Trust Bookshop. Its purpose is to serve the Christians and Churches in Andover and the surrounding area, and to witness to the gospel of Christ"

Men's Evenings

The first 2019 Men's Evening is on **Sunday 20th January** from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm at Derrick's house - 3 Mercia Avenue, Charlton, SP10 4EJ. Please email Derrick to confirm you are coming. Please will would someone kindly volunteer to provide and serve the soup?

We continue with the Jeff Lucas themes in his book, "Staying in the Boat". Last time we looked at "Encouragement"; this time we consider a death theme, "It's okay not to have a death wish"!

Men's Breakfast

Please note that the breakfast at the John Russell Fox is re-arranged for **Saturday 9th February, 8.30 am to 10 am**. Peter Kinross will be there to tell us more about homelessness ministry.

Having a Clear Out?

2019 NEW YEAR resolution - please pass on those tools, that computer, printer, sewing/knitting machineto TOOLS WITH A MISSION!!

Food Bank

Happy New Year!! Due to all the fantastic food donations we received in the run up to Christmas (for which many, many thanks) we only need help with **NON-FOOD ITEMS** this week:- Shampoo/Conditioner (2in1 if possible), Deodorant, Kitchen cleaner, Bathroom cleaner, Washing Up liquid

Church Opening

The church is open to the public most Saturday mornings from 10.30am to 12.30pm. It is also open on a Tuesday morning from 10am to 12 noon. Do come along if you'd like to spend time in quiet prayer or just look around this beautiful building. If you'd like to join the band of volunteers who are there to man the church once every couple of months please contact Diane in the church office.

Free Worship Session

Come and join Lucy for a fun session of singing in Church **10.30am to 12.30pm, Saturday 19 January** a great chance to get together and sing your favourite worship songs, all levels of singing ability welcome.

Mustard Seed Parent/Carer and Toddler Group

Meet on Fridays in term time 10 am to 11.45 am in the Church Centre.

Art Group

Next meet on Wednesday 23rd January, 10 am to 12 noon in the Church Centre. If you are interested talk with Jane Bell.

St. Mary's Office, The Church Centre, Marlborough St, Andover SP10 1ER

Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 0930h to 1500h, Friday 0930h to 1600h

*** The office will be closed from 12.30pm on Tuesday 15th January ***

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