



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 25th June

Theme: The Challenge of the Gospel

Readings: Romans 6:1-11  
and Matthew 10:24-39

9am Holy Communion

10.20am Children's Church (3 - 13+) meet in the Church Centre

10.30am Morning Worship with Communion and Prayer Ministry

## Wednesday 28th June

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

## Sunday 2nd July

9am Holy Communion

Theme: God Rewards Righteousness

Readings: Acts 27:33-44  
and Matthew 10:40-42

10.30am Active All Age Service

Theme: Prayer

Reading: Philippians 4:6

12.15pm St. Mary's Walkers leave church

## Women's Group

Do join us for our next meeting on **Friday 30th June at 7.30pm** in St. Mary's Church. This will be a Cheese and Wine Evening, with Canon John and Sue who will be sharing their testimonies speaking on the theme of 'God's Calling.' All women are very welcome to join us, please sign the list at the back of church.

## The Friends of St. Mary's Coffee Morning

All are invited to the next Coffee Morning to be held on **Saturday 1st July from 10am to 12 noon** in the Church Centre. Do come and join us.

## Great, Great God 3G Concert

The concert will be held at The Lights on **Saturday 1st July from 5.30pm to 7.30pm**, featuring the Petra House Choir and others. Admission is free, but tickets must be pre-booked from [www.thelights.org.uk/whatson](http://www.thelights.org.uk/whatson) or the Box Office on 01264 368368.

## St. Mary's Walkers

The next St. Mary's walk will be on **Sunday 2nd July**, leaving church at **12.15pm** in order to meet at House Martin, Weyhill, from where the walk will start. Please bring a packed lunch and suitable footwear. The plan is to enjoy our lunch first, followed by a walk that includes some overgrown paths, so trousers are advisable. If you are interested in coming, please speak with Martin Bazire.

## 'Out of the Ashes' Stage Play

This theatrical dramatisation of Peter Gladwin's best-selling book will be performed by Searchlight Theatre Company and Regents Theological College at The Lights on **Monday 3rd July at 7.30pm**. Tickets are £10 and can be bought online at [www.searchlighttheatre.org](http://www.searchlighttheatre.org), from The Lights Box Office at 01264 368368 or on the night at the theatre.

## Prayer Meeting

Prayer is a privilege that doesn't come cheap, it came at a huge cost to Jesus, and whilst our personal prayer is to be prioritized and protected, we are also called to model community prayer. Do join us for the privilege of sharing an hour of prayer together on **Thursday 6th July from 7.30pm** in the Church Centre.

### **Art Exhibition**

The exhibition will take place on **Friday 7th and Saturday 8th July from 10am to 4pm** in St. Mary's Church, showing the work of local artists, with a variety of work on display and for sale. Entry is free and all are very welcome to come and enjoy viewing the pictures on display.

### **Alpha Holy Spirit Day**

This will be held on **Saturday 8th July from 10am to 4pm**. If you are interested in attending, please contact Kate Walbyoff via the Church Office.

### **Eco Church - Litter Clean Up Event**

As part of our Eco Church work we are organising a litter clean up event around the church and cemetery on **Sunday 9th July at 12 noon** for one hour. To enable the planning of the event, could those members of the church community who would like to participate please sign the list at the back of the church. Children should be accompanied by an adult please. Further details will be available in the Grapevine on 2nd July. Thank you.

### **St. Mary's Youth Bible Study Group**

A brand new, really exciting group is starting for young people who already have a faith in Jesus Christ, and who are from 11 to 16 years of age. The meetings will be held on the 2nd Friday of each month, starting on **Friday 14th July from 7.30pm to 8.30pm**, in the Church Centre Chapel, and then on the 8th September, 13th October, 10th November and 8th December. The format will be simple and enable space to explore God's Word together, starting with some contemporary worship before spending time exploring the Bible, and finishing with hot chocolate (and of course cream and marshmallows) or milkshakes!

Please pray for those leading the group, for wisdom and the guidance of the Holy Spirit as they lead and disciple these amazing young people. Pray too for the young people who attend, that their faith would be strengthened and encouraged so they learn how to defend the gospel and share it with those they meet. "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have" 1 Peter 3:15. If you would like further information, or if you wish to help facilitate this evening by praying when they are meeting, providing hot chocolate or milkshakes at the end, or meeting and greeting young people as they arrive then please speak with Andy Berry, Rob Savill or Kelsey Weymouth, or contact the Church Office. Thank you.

### **Baptism Team Members Training Evening**

All prospective Baptism Team members, or anyone who may be interested in finding out more about this role, are warmly invited to an evening on **Wednesday 19th July from 7.30pm to 9pm** in the Church Centre.

### **Eco Church Journey**

Care for our environment has featured from inception in our first draft pMAP in September 2015, to achieving the Eco Church Bronze Award in May 2017, and we are now preparing to work towards the Silver Award. The journey so far is both fascinating and memorable, a testament to the leadership of Ann Smith as our Environmental Representative, and her team. A summary of the journey so far is set out in a brief report which can be found on the pMAP noticeboard in church - it is well worth a read!

### **Andover Foodbank**

During May the Foodbank has given out 51 family boxes, 55 single boxes and 8 limited cooking boxes. In addition they have also given 28 packs of toiletries, 6 welcome boxes and 15 packs of cleaning products to clients. This week the Foodbank are in need of the following items please: shampoo, deodorant, saucepans and frying pans, as well as, coffee, rice, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit and tinned meat. Thank you.

### **10.30am Sunday Services**

"Here I am Lord, send me" Isaiah 6:8. Might God be calling you to share in the ministry of either being a sidesperson or helping with refreshments? If so, please contact Diane in the Church Office.

***There is an unsupervised crèche available for 0-3 year olds, through the doors at the back of church.***

***This area contains toys, books, colouring and comfortable seating, in addition to sound and vision, so you can see and hear the service.***

***And anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.***

***Matthew 10:38,39***



## Children's Church Holiday Club

This exciting activity for school years 1 to 6 will take place from **Wednesday 26th July to Friday 28th July from 9.30am to 1pm** in the Harris Hall, Church Close, Andover SP10 1DP

The final session on **Saturday 29th July from 9.30am** will be followed at **1pm by a Family Fun Afternoon**

**Volunteers are needed for the Holiday Club, so please speak with Andy or Jo if you can help**

- Children to bring a packed lunch, with lunch being eaten together between 12.30pm and 1pm
- There is no charge for the Holiday Club, although there will be an opportunity for donations to be placed in a container near the registration table, at the end of each day as parents collect their children
- Places will be limited to the first 50 children, although there may be the possibility of up to a maximum of 60 children
- Families are invited to a parent's session between 12.30pm to 1pm at the Family Fun Afternoon

- The Family Fun Afternoon on **Saturday from 1pm** is for children and their families, **and free food will be provided**
- Donations of cakes, burgers, hot dogs or jacket potatoes (or funds to purchase them) can be made nearer the time
- There will be lots of 'whole group' sessions, before splitting up into smaller groups for crafts/discussions

## How you can help please?

- Plenty of additionally helpers throughout Tuesday afternoon for setting up in the Harris Hall
- Leaders and helpers - possibly with one of the 5 groups of children; approximately 10 children per group (6/8 would be preferable) with at least one leader per group
- Singers, musicians, action song leaders to assist at times of worship
- Extra volunteers for the Family Fun Afternoon, to assist with the activities, prepare and/or serve food and drinks, monitor bouncy Cathedral (yes, an inflatable Cathedral!)
- Helpers to help clean up/tidy each day so the team involved can debrief/have a cup of tea and a pray together before going home

## Responsibilities

- Andy - leading worship and teaching from the front
- Team leaders - care for individual groups during the week
- All - prayer please!