

Parish of
Harpenden



St Mary's Monthly Missive January 2022



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Notices

SAS Youth Group – Sunday 9th and 23th January 5pm-7pm

SAS is our parish-wide youth group. SAS usually meets at All Saints for games, food, outings, talk and prayers.

Simply Worship – Sunday 16th January 4.30pm

Footprints: Carbon to Green

Contact Sally on associate.vicar@stmarys.parishofharpenden.org to join the contact list and book in.

Tuesday Afternoon Group – January 25th Note the new time of 2.30pm

Songs in the Key of Life – Rev James Christie Brown

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18th-25th January

The theme this year is 'We saw the star in the East and we came to worship him'.

Bible Reading Fellowship Notes

As the New Year starts, it could be a good time to begin some basic bible study by taking the New Daylight bible reading notes. The notes provide a short bible passage, a brief commentary and a thought to finish with, for every day of the year. There is a new theme every two weeks.

The readings are a mix of the familiar and those which you may never have come across. The commentators come from a variety of religious backgrounds. The notes cost £14.20 for the whole year (£17.95 for a large print version) or you can access them online for a small fee.

If you are really keen you could join the group which meets once a month on a Friday afternoon, led by Cathy Goodbun and Sally, to discuss what we have been reading; it is always interesting to hear other people's views on the notes. If you want to find out more, please contact Jenny Clark (01582 410682)

Food Bank

Thank you to everybody who has contributed to the Food Bank collections during 2021. You have all been very generous.

Please continue with your generosity in 2022, every item is most welcome to those who find themselves in need of the services of the banks. Our contributions are going to the Salvation Army Citadel in Harpenden who have reorganised their storage since their wonderful extension was completed and to FEED at The Vineyard Church in St Albans

Anne MacDougall does all the heavy work, my thanks to her; I just fuss round the edges! If you have any queries please ask her or me. Jenny Clark

Eco Church

As part of our Eco Church project, we are planning to offer St Mary's congregation a Freecycling section in the Missive, for a trial period. If you have an item you want to recycle you can send brief details (no photos) including either an e-mail or

phone number to the Missive editor and a list will be published each month. Items can stay on the list for 2 months. They must be in good condition, fit for their purpose and offered free.

Woodyard Café at Luton Hoo

The café is now open Tuesday to Saturday 10am to 2pm.

Morning Prayer – Tuesdays 9.15-9.40am

Do join Sally and Jenny each week to pray for church and world concerns.

Holy Communion – 1st and 3rd Tuesday @ 10am

A short quiet service with coffee afterwards. All welcome.

This Month Please Pray For....

- Those making any kind of new start in this New Year, including those looking for work.
- All who came to our Christmas services, that they will be drawn in by the Good News of Christ's birth.
- The work of our parish and our mission-giving charities who received our Christmas donations.

Future Dates 2022

- **Monday 7th February** First Little Lunch of the year.
If you would like to get involved, we are looking for drivers and helpers on the day. Please contact Sallyann Boschetti (07779387557)
- **Tuesday 22nd February** Tuesday Afternoon Group 2.30pm
A Dementia Friends Session with Cathy Goodbun
- **Simply Worship 20th February** Treading lightly; Walking humbly 4.30pm
- **SAS 6th and 20th February**
- **St Mary's Quiz** We are planning to have a quiz in the Spring, missed by many of us for the last two years. Watch out for the date which is yet to be decided.

St Mary's: Services January 2022

Sunday 2nd January – Epiphany

9.30am Family Worship – Revd Sally Goodson

11am Holy Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

Tuesday 4th January 10.00am Holy Communion (BCP):

Revd Sally Goodson.

Sunday 9th January – Baptism of Christ

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Sally Goodson and Hilary Pask

Sunday 16th January – 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Nick Goulding

4.30pm Simply Worship – Jenny Goulding and Sally Goodson

Tuesday 18th January 10.00am Holy Communion (BCP):

Revd Sally Goodson

Sunday 23rd January – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

Sunday 30th January – Presentation of Christ in the Temple

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Sally Goodson and Nina Featherstone

Sunday 6th February – 4th Sunday before Lent

9.30am Family Worship – Revd Sally Goodson

11am Holy Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

Please send submissions for February's Missive to

missive@stmarys.parishofharpenden.org by January 20th or speak to Jenny Clark/Sally Goodson