

Sunday 4th December

8am BCP Holy Communion Stewart Timbrell
9:30am Holy Communion
4pm Christingle Service – we will make our Christingles together

Sunday 11th December

8am BCP Holy Communion **10:30am** Community Carol Service –led by Church Family in Lytchett Matravers @ Village Hall

Sunday 18th December

8am BCP Holy Communion Stewart Timbrell
10am United Worship service at St Mary's with the Methodists
6pm Traditional Carol Service -Churches in Harmony choir

Saturday 24th December Christmas Eve

4pm Nativity Service - come dressed up as your favourite Nativity character
11pm Midnight Communion

Sunday 25th December Christmas Day

(8am BCP Communion - just Online) 10am All-Age Christmas Day Comr

Sunday 1st January

8am BCP Holy Communion 10am Christmas Communion – all ages welcome

Sunday 8th January

8am BCP Holy Communion 9.30am CW Communion @11am All-Age Worship

All morning services also available online

www.smlm.co.uk/livestream/

St Mary's Calendar

St Mary's News

"One Church Worshipping in Different ways"

Welcome to the St Mary's Church family We are a diverse Church community meeting in and for our village

Sustainable Christmas

December 9th/10th and 17th 11-3pm each day

Do you rue the fact that Christmas celebrations and traditions often generate such a lot of extra waste...much of which lands up in landfill? Come and visit 'Sustainable Christmas' at St Mary's Church for some ideas on how to make your festive season more eco-friendly.

Do come and see the displays from various groups within our community...and of course, it wouldn't be Christmas without a mince pie being on offer!

Chequers Christmas Market

10th December 12-3pm

Lucky Dip... a prize every time!

We look froward to seeing you at our seasonal fundraising. Thank you for supporting our events. We wish you a Joyous Christmas, and a healthy and happy new year. *The Fundraising Team*

Ongoing Church Work

We have permission to carry out some urgent repairs to two windows in the south wall of the nave, but were unable to secure any grant funding. We are appealing for donations towards the overall cost and suggest individuals might like to sponsor one or more panes of glass at £25 per pane. See chart in church to choose a pane to colour (once you have paid!!). *Bill Carter*

Christingle Request

Mince pies needed for the Christingle service on 4th December and the evening Carol Service on 18th December. If anyone is willing to offer any please contact *Elizabeth Carter*.

Thank You

I would like to thank you for the beautiful bouquet of flowers given to me in church on Sunday following the work I did on transferring the Hosting of our church website to a new provider. **Debbie**

News Sheet

If you would like to get the News sheet by email please contact Debbie (See below) Or visit <u>http://www.smlm.co.uk/blog/</u>

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Facebook

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Twitter

Prayers

- Pray for those we know and love who need your healing touch
- We give thanks for this joyful time when we can all be together as we celebrate our Saviour and his love for us

Work Parties

Tuesday 6th December Time: 9.00 to 12.00

A morning of Fresh air, Fellowship, Fun and refreshments. Your last chance to join the monthly church work party this year. Come and join us to help maintain our lovely building and surrounds in preparation for the festive season. Indoor and outdoor jobs available. Tasks to suit all abilities. **Bill**

Feeling Crafty?

We hope to have a 'Crafts for Sale' table at our 'Sustainable Christmas' event in December. If you are able to make and donate some Christmas themed items for us to raise funds then we would love to hear from you.

We are encouraging people to make things such as cards and tags/decorations/small gifts along the lines of *Reuse, Reduce, Recycle* as well as items made mostly from sustainable materials. If you think you can help do please email Karen on <u>heskethk@yahoo.co.uk</u> or speak to any member of the fundraising team. Donations of appropriate edible crafts/gifts also welcome.

The church will be open for people to come and view and we shall be offering hospitality. Any offers of homemade mince pies or Christmas 'cakes' to offer with tea/coffee will also be gratefully received. As always many thanks for all your help and support. *Fundraising Team*

Church Calendar

https://www.smlm.co.uk/events/calendar/

DECEMBER		
4 th 4pm	Christingle	St Mary's
6 th	Work Party	St Mary's
9 th , 10 th , 17 th	Sustainable Christmas	St Mary's
11am to 3pm		
11 th 10:30am	Community Carol Service	Village Hall
18 th 6pm	United Service 10am	St Mary's
18 th 6pm	Traditional Carol Service	St Mary's
24 th 4pm	Nativity Service	St Mary's
24 th 11pm	Midnight Communion	St Mary's
25 th 10am	Christmas Day Communion	St Mary's
JANUARY		
1 st 10am	Christmas Communion	St Mary's