

**Lifelines**

Cross Rhythms Plymouth are running an exciting project to reach our city with the good news of Jesus through sharing personal testimony. The project is called Lifelines and it takes testimony interviews that are broadcast on the radio across Plymouth, published in the Plymouth Chronicle newspaper and placed on YouTube.

You can see how the Lifelines project works here in this short 90 second video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bomfrndTOL8>

The aim is simply to share the ways in which Jesus is impacting the lives of ordinary local people to encourage those who read or listen to the testimonies to consider Jesus for themselves. What can you do?

1. Please keep this project in your prayers.
2. Are you willing to share your testimony on behalf of our church? If so, please get in touch with Rev'd Gerda: Tel. 01752 629255 or email [reverendgerda@outlook.com](mailto:reverendgerda@outlook.com)

**Remembrance: Poppies Project**

A big thank you to everyone who has contributed in any way so far! Please bring your finished poppies to church as soon as possible, but by Sunday 12th October at the latest. There will be working parties to assemble the displays as follows:

**St Mary's**

Sat 4th /11th /18th/ 25th October - from 10am until 12noon in church.

**Holy Spirit**

2nd October: ideas and planning during Tea & Cake 2-4pm

16th October: Knit & Natter 2-4pm

25th October: 2-4pm

30th October: final assembly, if necessary; after midweek Eucharist

Setting up:

**St Mary's**

In church on Friday 7th November (exact time tbd)

Outside church on the morning of 9th November (Remembrance Sunday)

**Holy Spirit**

On the morning of 11th November (Armistice Day)

Add the dates and times of our Remembrance services to your diary:

Remembrance Sunday – 9th November:

10am at St Mary's,

10:50 at the Memorial outside the church.

Armistice Day – Tuesday 11th November:

11am at Holy Spirit (gathering by 10:55)

**Tea and Cake**

A social group meets at The Church of The Holy Spirit, Southway from 2pm – 4pm on the first Thursday of the month. All are welcome. The next meeting is on Thursday 2nd October.

**Gospel Reading (Continued)**

found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

**Historic Churches Day**

Thank you to everyone who supported our Open Day on Saturday, to tie in with Devon Historic Churches Day.

The photo competition remains open today, Sunday, so if you haven't yet entered you still have time to do so. There is a prize for the person with the most correct entries.

**Coffee, Cake and Chat**

A St. Mary's Community Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month in St. Mary's Church Hall from 10am to 12pm. The next one is on Tuesday 7th October. It is a chance for anyone to come along for a coffee, cake and a chat. At present some people are also using it as an opportunity to work on the Poppies for our Remembrance Project. (See back of insert for more details.)

**Samaritan's Purse**

It is that time of the year again! If you would like to pack a shoe box for Operation Christmas Child, please take a leaflet, which are now available in both Churches. We also have some flat-packed shoe boxes you can use, or you can wrap one of your own if you prefer. The leaflets provide all the information you need on what to include. Shoe boxes need to be returned to either Church by Sunday 9th November so we can get them to a National Collection Centre in time. Thank you.

**Used Stamp Collection**

Please let Angela Chandler have your used stamps for 'The Society for Distributing Hebrew Scriptures'. Please leave them, with a border of the envelope around them to prevent any damage to the stamp. There is a container at the back of St. Mary's Church. Thank you.

**Patronal Festival**

It was nice to come together last weekend at St. Mary's Church to celebrate our Patronal Festival. We had a Team Service of Holy Communion where we sang a selection of Marian Hymns, and by enjoying a 'bring and share' lunch afterwards. We also enjoyed learning from Rev'd Gerda, during the sermon, how many feast days of St. Mary there actually are. Thank you to everyone who came and joined in with the festivities.

**Piano Tuner**

We need to have the piano in St. Mary's Church tuned. This will cost £85.00 and is booked in for Saturday 27th September. We would welcome any donations towards this cost. Please see Shaun Brady, Revd Gerda or Andy King if you are able to help. Thank you.