

Plympton Team Ministry
The Parishes of Plympton St. Mary and Plympton St. Maurice

Sunday 20th September 2026 – St Maurice

When we think about giving to the church, our minds might naturally turn to money. And money does matter: our churches need financial resources to maintain their buildings, support ministry and continue serving our communities. But Christian giving is about much more than what we put in the collection plate.

One way to think of giving is to speak of giving our time, talents and treasure. Each of these is a gift we can offer to God, and each has a part to play in the life of our churches.

Our time might be given through volunteering, helping at an event, visiting someone who is lonely, or simply making space to welcome someone new. Our talents might include singing, gardening, cooking, organising, teaching, listening or repairing things. There are so many ways in which the gifts we have been given can enrich the life of our church communities.

And our treasure? Financial giving, whether large or small, helps make possible the worship, ministry and mission we share at St Maurice and St Mary's. It contributes to the care of our buildings and enables us to continue being places of prayer, welcome and service.

Giving is not about comparing what we offer with what others give, nor about feeling pressured to do more than we are able. It is about gratitude: recognising what we have received, and considering prayerfully how we might offer something of ourselves in return.

As we reflect on our giving, may we each discover ways to share our time, talents and treasure with joy, generosity and freedom, so that together our churches may continue to be places where God's love is known and shared.

Rev'd Lizzi

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Church Diary

Sunday 20th September

9.30 am Parish Eucharist St Mary's church
11.00 am Family Eucharist St Maurice church

Wednesday 23rd September

10.00 am Morning Prayer St Maurice church

Sunday 27th September

8.00 am Eucharist St Mary's church
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11.00 am Parish Eucharist St Maurice church

Notices

Chancel repair work in St Mary's church has started and will continue until November. Please take care when in the church and churchyard, and follow all site safety notices.

Funeral information Brenda Spike's family has said that that her wish was that people attending her funeral should not wear formal mourning dress.

Quiet Spaces Friday 25th September 10.30 am, St Anne's, Glenholt

Table Top sale – 3rd October, 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. St Mary's church hall

Churchyard tidy-up Saturday 3rd October 10.00 am to 12.00 noon, St Mary's churchyard. All welcome; please ask in church for more details.

South Georgia talk Saturday 3rd October 2.00 pm St Maurice church hall. Following on from last year's talk on the Falkland Islands, Chris will be sharing his most recent adventures. He recently returned from South Georgia, working alongside a small team from the British Antarctic Survey.

His talk will focus on day-to-day life in one of the remotest places in the world where wind speeds of 70Kts and constant sub-zero temperatures were the norm.

Here nature and the natural world are literally on the doorstep but the signs of climate change and man's impact on the unique world were also clear to see.

Everyone is welcome.

Quiz night and Fish & Chip supper – Saturday 3rd October in St Mary's church hall from 5.30 pm. Tickets in advance by 28th September from church or the office.

The next combined service will be on Sunday 4th October at 9.30 am in St Mary's church

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Candles for Ukraine: we have received a card and letter of thanks from a representative of the Ukrainian refugee 'hub' in Bristol. They write: "I am genuinely humbled that people so far away have heard about our efforts and wanted to help. The kindness and generosity shown by complete strangers never cease to amaze me."

Thank you to everyone who helped with and supported the Cream Tea last weekend. This raised £277.00 for St Mary's church funds.

Open Church a big 'thank you' to all the volunteers who have enabled St Mary's church to open through the summer months.

Bible Study will resume this Tuesday 22nd September in St. Mary's Coffee Lounge at 6.30pm.

Knit and Natter Thursdays 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm St Maurice church hall

Meditation group will resume on 15th October

Rosary Group will be meeting every 2nd Thursday of each month at 6.15pm in St Maurice church. During the winter months the venue might change. Please ask in church for more details.

St Maurice Minors Fridays in term time, 10.00 am St Maurice church hall

Wasp nests – there are wasp nests in St Mary's churchyard. Please take extra care in this area.

St Mary's church – restricted access - Areas of the church have been cordoned off for safety reasons. Please only sit in the marked areas, and avoid the restricted sections.

Readings are available in church. Please ask a sidesperson for a copy.

Candle ends are being collected to be used to assist war-affected people in Ukraine. There is a box in each church for your donations. Thank you

Loop System - St Mary's church is fitted with a loop for those who wear hearing aids; please sit in the centre aisles and adjust your hearing aid as required.

Wills and Legacies - Please speak to Rev Lizzi or one of the churchwardens about leaving a gift to the church in your will.

The Team Office will be closed on Mondays in September

Prayer Requests

Those who are sick and those who have asked for the prayers of the church:

Ann, Lisa, Emma, Frank, Jan, Ray, Brian, Haydn, Kate, Phil, Geoff, Judy, Eric, Gill, Fred, Rose, Paul, Luke, Jenny, Jill, Christina, David, Margaret, Betty, Angela, Dave, Jean, Paul, Noelyn, Linda

The recently departed David Godefrey; David Evans; Brenda Spike

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Those whose anniversary of death falls in the week commencing 20th September

Sunday 20th Ronald Helman, Alfred Lamphee, John Patterson (Bp), Ella Muston, Peter Perrett

Monday 21st Violet Woollcombe, Gwendoline Turpin

Tuesday 22nd Wilfred Edworthy, Pauline Buckland, Rose Bushen, Iris Hartland

Wednesday 23rd Harriett Gray, Francis Pugh, Thomas Roberts, Ethel Beeley, Mary-Anne Hart, John Williams

Thursday 24th Paul Langman, Fred Everatt, William Hatherley, Kathleen Roberts, William Slee, Stephen Sandover, Mabel Davey, Sister Louise SC

Friday 25th William Veal, Leslie Fitch, Marina Williams, Elizabeth Comer, Thomas Hambly, Mina Garbett, Basil Braund (Pr), Florence Round, Maurice Dando, Olivia Nicholls

Saturday 26th Albert Mitchell, Frank Sluman, Rosslyn Nicholls, Sydney (Bob) Symons, Adele Lavers

Links and Information



Email: info@plympton.foodbank.org.uk

Tel: 07922 808086

Open: Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

St Mary's Church Hall, Market Road, PL7 1QW

Donations can also be left in St Maurice church porch

This week's urgent needs are Instant Mash, Tinned Fish/Tuna, Tinned Fruit, Long Life Fruit Juice, Sugar, Brown Sauce & Tomato Ketchup, Washing up Liquid, Shampoo, and Sanitary Towels.

We are also running low on Tea Bags, Tinned Soup, Tinned Spaghetti, Tomato based Pasta Sauce, Tinned Peas, Tinned Sweetcorn, Toothbrushes, Shaving Foam, and Baby Wipes.

It's a pretty long list but if we all work together, we can keep caring for those who are struggling. Thank you

The latest Prayer Diary can be found at: [Prayer Diary - Diocese of Exeter](#)

Live streaming [Click here](#) to access a service of Sung Eucharist from Exeter Cathedral at 10.00 am every Sunday

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**ST. MARY'S CHURCHYARD
CLEANUP DAY!**

**SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER
10AM – NOON**

MEET BY THE WEST DOOR, ST MARY'S CHURCH, PLYMPTON

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED. WHILST WE HAVE SOME EQUIPMENT, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU ARE ABLE TO BRING YOUR OWN SUITABLE FOR WEEDING OR GRASS CUTTING, ALONG WITH GLOVES IF YOU ARE ABLE TO COME, PLEASE EMAIL THE OFFICE AT PLYMPTONTEAMMINISTRY@GMAIL.COM

St Mary's Church, Plympton

Charity number: 1128769



**Quiz Night and
Fish & Chip Supper
Saturday 3rd October**

**St Mary's Church Hall
Market Road, Plympton**

5.30 pm start

**Tickets in advance only, by 28th
September**

Proceeds and raffle in aid of church funds

Tickets available from church or the team office.
Price depends on meal chosen.

Plympton St Maurice Church

Invites you to a talk by Chris Locke about his recent trip to South Georgia, working alongside a small team from the British Antarctic Survey as the Government Officer for the South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands.

His talk will focus on day-to-day life in one of the remotest places in the world where wind speeds of 70Kts and constant subzero temperatures were the norm.

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**Saturday 3rd October 2pm in the church
Followed by refreshments in the hall**

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Office hours – Tuesday to Thursday 9.00 am to 1.00 pm

Items for the weekly notices should be emailed to the Team Office by 10.00 am on Wednesday

Websites

St Mary's Church Plympton

🌐 [Plympton St Mary Church - A Church Near You](#)

Plympton St Maurice Parish Church

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