

Diary

Tue. 6th	10.30am	Coffee, Cake and Chat in St. Mary's Hall
Weds. 7th	10.30am	CAMEO meets at Holy Spirit Church
	11am	Holy Communion (BCP) at St. Mary's
	7pm	Bellringing Practice at St. Mary's
Thu. 8th	10am	Holy Communion (CW) at Holy Spirit
Fri. 9th	4.30pm	Rainbows meets at Holy Spirit Church
	5.40pm	Brownies meets at Holy Spirit Church
	7pm	Choir Practice at St. Mary's Church
Sat. 10th	1pm	Tabletop Sale and Southway History Day at Holy Spirit Church

Notices

1. Family Services. At Holy Spirit the All-Age Worship services are usually on the first Sunday of each month at 11am. The next one is on today, Sunday 4th October – Harvest Festival. The monthly Family Services at St. Mary's, 'Catch the 9.15!', are on the 3rd Sunday of each month. The next one is on Sunday 18th October.

2. PCC Meetings. The next meeting of the PCC at St. Mary's is at 7pm on Tuesday 10th November. The next meeting of the PCC at Holy Spirit is at 7pm on Wednesday 25th November.

3. Tabletop Sale. The next monthly Tabletop Sale at The Church of The Holy Spirit is this Saturday, 10th October, from 1pm – 3pm. There will also be a **Southway History Day**. Please bring along any photos and stories about growing up in Southway. Please contact Liz Nicholls on **07719959391** or email **liznicholls@blueyonder.co.uk** for more information.

4. Easy Fundraising. Don't forget, when shopping on-line, to use **www.easyfundraising.org.uk** to raise some extra money for St. Mary's at no cost to yourself. We now have **32** people supporting us who have raised **£980.04** so far! Ask Andy King for more details. (**07708590704**)

Next Sunday

11th October 2026

19th Sunday After Trinity

St. Mary's:

9.15am Holy Communion (CW)

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Proverbs 3: 1 – 18,

1 John 3: 1 - 15

Holy Spirit:

11am Holy Communion (CW)

Communion Readings: Exodus 32: 1 – 14,

Matthew 22: 1 - 14

Philippians 4: 1 – 9

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Tamerton Foliot & Southway Team Ministry

4th October 2026

18th Sunday after Trinity

HARVEST FESTIVAL



Today's Services

St. Marys

9.15am Holy Communion (CW)
(CAHON)

6.30pm Celtic Prayer

Proverbs 2: 1 – 11,

1 John 2: 1 – 17

(CAHON) 314, 77, 625, 69

Holy Spirit

11am All Age Worship

Morning Readings: Deuteronomy 8: 7 – 18,

2 Corinthians 9: 6 – 15,

Luke 12: 16 – 30

Harvest Festival has its origins in the Jewish Feast of the Ingathering. It is a thanksgiving for God's care towards his people, for His gifts that produce the harvest (sun and rain, soil and seeds, plants and animals) and for his partners in the harvest: farmers, fishermen and producers. We also remember the Industrial Harvest that turns the earth's minerals into energy and implements for human use.

Collect

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

Those living in: Powisland Drive, Hedingham Gardens, Wardour Walk, Prestonbury Close, Rifleman Walk, Holne Chase, Samuel Bassett Avenue, Whitehaven Way, Dennis Camp Road, Fleetwood Gardens, Clittaford Road, Southway Lane, Widewell Road, Little Fancy Close, Southway Drive, Launceston Close, Frewin Gardens, Butler Close, Langley Crescent, Langley Close, Lizard Close, Lizard Walk, Cromer Close, Bardsey Close, Hartland Close, Cromer Walk, Pentland Close, Stroma Close, Lundy Close, Kinnaird Crescent.

First Reading Deuteronomy 8: 7 – 18

⁷ For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, ⁸ a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹ a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. ¹⁰ You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. ¹¹ Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. ¹² When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, ¹⁵ who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, ¹⁶ and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. ¹⁷ Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' ¹⁸ But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today .

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 9: 6 – 15

⁶ The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹ As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' ¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹² for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³ Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, ¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Gospel Reading See Insert

You cannot reap a good harvest without planting good seeds!

Harvest Festival

We are celebrating Harvest Festival at both St. Mary's and The Church of The Holy Spirit today, Sunday 4th October. Thank you all for your contributions of non-perishable food items in a shoebox size box, or bag, which will be distributed to the foodbank and to parishioners, who are now unable to attend Church for various reasons. Help will also be gratefully received from any volunteers on Monday 5th October to sort out all the groceries in the Church, ready for them to be delivered.

At Holy Spirit, gifts can be left in front of the altar on Sunday morning, and after the Harvest service will be distributed to the local DCFA foodbank.

Coffee, Cake and Chat

A Community Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month in St. Mary's Church Hall from 10.30am to 12pm. It is a chance for anyone to come along for a coffee, some cake and a chat. The next one is this Tuesday, 6th October.

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. The next one is on Thursday 5th November.

CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other)

Cameo meets for Bible Study on Wednesdays at The Church of The Holy Spirit, at 10.30am. The group meets again this Wednesday, 7th October.

Knit And Natter

This group meets at The Church of the Holy Spirit on the 3rd Thursday of every month from 2pm – 4pm. Drop in for a bit of crafting and a chat. Bring your own craft, get or share tips and ideas, meet old friends and make some new ones.

Contactless Giving

We have a new card reader at the back of St. Mary's Church for making donations to Church funds. However, this current machine does not prompt for Gift Aid. If you are making a contactless donation and wish to claim Gift Aid, please speak to our Treasurer, Phil Sloggett, or email phil.sloggett.treasurer@gmail.com .

Bank details for both St. Mary's and Holy Spirit can be found on the back of this Newsletter.

Lifts For Church Services

We have 3 people at present who are able to offer a lift to those who need a lift to Team Services when they are not being held at their own Church, Please let Andy King (07708590704 or andy@saintmarys.org.uk) know if you require a lift to any services, and we will try and co-ordinate things.