THE BENEFICE OF STURMINSTER NEWTON, HINTON ST MARY AND LYDLINCH

‘Making Christ's Love Known to All’

THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Sunday 8th November 2026 – Remembrance

St Mary’s	*St Peter’s*	*StThomas’*
8:00am Holy Communion 10:15am Remembrance 6:00pm Evensong	10:50am Remembrance	10:50am Remembrance

Micah 4 1-4

In days to come the mountain of the LORD 's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: ‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.’ For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.

John 15.9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will

last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Post Communion

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

News and Notices

All events are open to all across the Benefice.

St Mary's Church Boiler

St. Mary's Church Boiler has died. It will take a while to find the right solution, for now and the future. So, if you're coming to St. Mary's, wrap up well.

Can you help?

Could you volunteer once a month to print off our Benefice Pew sheets using the photocopier in St. Mary's Church Hall. Training will be provided. Many will be grateful. Contact the Vicar.

Lantern Making, 21st November St. Mary's Church Hall 2:00pm - 4:00pm for the Lantern Parade on 28th November to the Stur Market Place for the light switch on and after to St. Mary's Church for the Tree Festival with refreshments (free) and carols by the Choral Society.

St. Mary's Christmas Tree Festival. This starts on Saturday 28th Nov, and runs through to Wednesday 2nd Dec. Help is needed please!. **We need people** to welcome visitors to the church during the festival, and extra help to serve refreshments on Saturday evening as part of the Make Stur Sparkle Christmas Light Switch on. Please sign the list at the back of church. **We also need donations** of jars of instant hot chocolate drink, wrapped chocolate biscuits, and mince pies. Please ask Fiona or Lucy for more details. Thank you.

Services & Events in the Benefice

Tuesday, 10th November
9:30am – Tots & Toast – St Mary's Church Hall
7:00pm St Mary's PCC Meeting

Wednesday, 11th November
10:00am – Holy Communion – St Mary's

Friday, 13th November
6:00pm – Choir Practice – St Mary's

Sunday 15th November – 2 before Advent
Readings: Zephaniah 1.7, 12–end | Psalm 90.1–8 | 1 Thessalonians 5.1–11 | Matthew 25.14–30

St Peter's, Hinton St Mary
9:30am Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism

St Mary's, Sturminster Newton
11:00am Holy Communion

St Thomas', Lydlinch
4:00pm Evensong

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