

NEWS

Sunday 13 September 2020



St Mark's Mini "Summer" Fete In the church garden

Saturday 12th Sept
from 11.00-1.00

FREE fun and games with
social distancing, all welcome!

St Mark SUNDAY@10
09.30 Sunday Prayer
10.00 Gathering
& Worship Service
With Communion

St Andrew 10.30 HC
10.00 Doors Open
10.30 Service
11.30 Close

New ONLINE Service
every Sunday morning.

LIVE SUNDAY

Live worship at St Mark
[Sunday@10](#) and St
Andrew [Sunday at 1030](#).
See our website or click
those links above for a
new service every Sunday
morning.

ONLINE THIS SUNDAY

Please visit [Breakfast@9
Online](#) for this week's
online service.

[B@9 Zoom](#) at 9am
[You Tube Channel](#)

NEXT SUNDAY 20th September

Breakfast@9 with Andy in
Philippians 1:1-11
Sunday@10 at St Marks
with Barry and St Andrews
HC at 10.30 with Diane.
Both in Philippians 1:21-30.

WEDNESDAY 9.30am Holy
Communion at St Andrews

Joining us this Sunday in person or online:

- **Breakfast@9** is *online* posted on Saturday for viewing when you like and we meet together in Zoom at 9am Sunday and in St Andrew's Churchyard at 7pm (Last one.)
- **Sunday@10** is a *live service* at St Mark's with Communion. Our fellowship starts at ten, our service commences shortly after. We have family friendly areas.
- St Andrew's **HC at 10.30** is a *Holy Communion service* with social distancing. *Please wear a mask inside our buildings.*
- **NEW Online Service every Sunday morning:** check into our website Sunday morning for an alternative service led by Andy, and catch this Sunday's service next Sunday!

Dear church family

New regulations prohibit more than two households from gathering (inside or out) and more than six people at a time. Thankfully our buildings are regulated and approved as we follow safe practices, and we are able to meet for worship.

Our **St Mark's Fete** (this Sat 12 Sept) will go ahead with social distancing and limited numbers. Come see our stalls and puppet show! We hope you will be able to pass through and say hi.

Unfortunately we have to end our very successful **Breakfast@9** churchyard chats after this weekend (even before the weather stopped us!) but the good news is that on 20 September Sunday

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at our website in full colour
with click-able links.

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14th Sunday after Trinity

Bible readings:

Acts 28

Acts 16

Romans 8:26-end

Matthew 18:21-35

Psalm 114

Collect:

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion:

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

ZOOM daily social

Join us for a social chat on Monday - Saturday 4pm by following this link.

[ZOOM SOCIAL](#)

Please feel free to use this for your own personal church meet-ups or prayer.

Do you know someone who would value receiving this newsletter? With their permission, please subscribe them using [this link](#).

morning worship will re-commence. A new **BreakfastZoom@7** will be an opportunity for those who can meet and those who can't to watch a video and continue the conversations.

We owe a great debt of thanks to **Anton Prior** for his technical expertise as we continue to support those who remain at home and we are pleased to say that from September we will now be paying him for the hours he offers us.

Unfortunately our talks with two potential **placement students** have not resulted in anyone joining our team this year. We thank you for your offers of support, and we to look to God to resource our work especially among young people and in the community.

A new feature for you who are still isolating at home is that we can offer you a **Sunday morning service online**. This week you will have original content and next week you will have our latest recorded service - with a week's delay! We hope it won't get too confusing for everyone.

Warm greetings, in the light and life of Jesus, from Andy.

Andy on Acts 16 'Everyone can belong'

Every morning and evening the head of a Jewish household would pray giving thanks to God that he was not "a Gentile, a woman or a slave." In contrast the early Christian church was discovering that God valued them all and the gospel unites all in a way nothing else can. Anyone through the grace of Jesus may be saved. And when Paul arrives in mainland Europe bringing this inclusive message a new church is formed that shows it's not just talk. A Gentile business-woman, a Jewish slave-girl, and a Roman prison guard are the first people transformed in Philippi. God opens their hearts to him and they open their homes to each other. It's a beautiful picture of how Jesus' new family transcends all race and culture, and social and economic divisions. As we come to the letter addressed to the Philippians over the next month, Acts 16 and the 'gospel for all' of Jesus our Saviour is the life-changing backdrop to this. What kind of church do you want to be?

Mary on Acts 28 'Unchained, Proclaimed!'

For the last 14 weeks we have been looking at the book of Acts in the New Testament. We have heard how the Holy Spirit came upon those early disciples, worked through them and sent them out with the good news of Jesus. Luke ends his book on this note: 'for two whole years Paul stayed in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him. Boldly and without hindrance he proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ...' A strange ending, what about all the loose ends, the other apostles, even Paul's final trial? But maybe this ending is an invitation for you to explore what life might be like if you ask the Holy Spirit to be with you, to start your own adventure with Jesus?

THE ELECTORAL ROLL — REVISION 2020

I attempted to carry out a revision of the Electoral Roll in March and April but I could not complete the revision due to the churches being closed. Now we are open again the time is right to try and complete a revision before the APCM on 14th October. Being included on the roll means you are a member of Salisbury St Mark and Laverstock St Andrew Churches, you may vote at the APCM, and you are willing to support the development of the church in prayer, time and giving.

If you are on the current electoral roll there is nothing for you to do. A copy of the current roll is in a blue folder at the back of each church for you to check after you have sanitized your hands. If you cannot get to church to check please contact me by email (alanrely@aol.com), by phone (01722 718259) or by post (College Farm, Rockbourne Road, Coombe Bissett, Salisbury, SP5 4LP). If you are not on the current roll there is a green Application Form at the back of the roll, or I can forward one to you, for completion and return by midnight 23rd September.

Alan Ely, Electoral Roll Officer

Need for Foundation Governors

At present the joint Local Governing Body of the 2 schools known as Wyvern/St Edmund's Learning Campus is short of 3 foundation governors out of a full complement of 6. They are people approved by the Diocese and are there to ensure that the Christian ethos of these 2 church schools is maintained and embedded in all areas of school life. In addition they take part in monitoring the running, performance and well being of the school and its students and staff.

This provides an opportunity for serious Christians to develop awareness of and engage in the inner workings of the school and support with informed and targeted prayer. If you have even a slight suspicion that God may be calling you to this, there is an official job description as well as an unofficial foundation governor's view available from Sharon Evans who can be contacted direct or via the church office.

UPPER ROOM

September - December 2020



If you have always wanted to write then this could be your opportunity...

The Bible Reading Fellowship is holding a writing competition to encourage new writers to contribute. All you need to do is send your own meditation in the same style as those in *The Upper Room* by midnight on Saturday 31 October 2020. Link [here](#) for more details on how to enter.

WE NEED YOU!

Is God calling you to be part of the Leadership Team of St Andrew's or St Mark's?

Contact Maureen Snook if you are interested in joining the PCC.



Tech at St Marks

Can you help with computer, sound desk, filming? Full training given. Contact Jo King 07771 858547 johnandjo.king@gmail.com

Welcoming at St Marks

Would you like to join the welcoming team on Sundays? Please contact the office if you would like to help.

Facilities Group St Mark's



Looking at ways in which we can improve the way we use our buildings. If you would like to join contact Jo King.

Send us your clips!

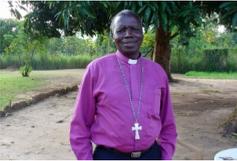
These are still very welcome as we seek to include those who can only watch online. Clips, photos, and stories to camera can be left [here](#).

Thanks for sharing.

Mission News

We have a **mission partnership with the Anglican Diocese of Yei**, South Sudan, in particular with Bishop Hilary and the Bishop Allyson Theological College. A third of our annual mission gift is sent to support work in South Sudan. Please do remember Bishop Hilary in your prayers as well as these current prayer requests.

- For security and food security.
- Lasting peace and growth for South Sudan.
- The church leading Covid education.



Our Mission Partners

*Yei Diocese
David and Shelley Stokes
The Bridge Project
Alabaré
Salisbury Street Pastors
Salisbury Food Bank*

We received a thank you from **The Bridge** "To the PCC of Salisbury St Mark & Laverstock St Andrew, On behalf of everyone at The Bridge Youth Project, thank you so much for the generous donation of £500 ...we've been on furlough for most of the last 5-6 months. In these uncertain times, we value your continued support as a church. The whole team are looking forward to revisiting our local schools to provide much needed Christian support for staff, children and young people."

PRAYER POINTS

- Andy, Mary and Diane preaching and leading this weekend.
- For all the office work that supports our ministry and promotes our activities
- For those on our **Prayer Chain: Janet Dominy** in hospital after a TIA. **Margaret** (Bob Wilson's Sister)- diagnosed with terminal lung tumor; **Elizabeth** (Ken's Cousin) - at home as she regains her strength; **Antony** (Jane's dad) - in hospital awaiting test results.
- The **Bridge Project** as they hope to be able to start working with schools again since being furloughed.
- The rise in cases of Coronavirus and those affected by this.

DONATE

Please use the link below if you would like to give to Church or Mission funds.



Many Happy Returns to Martin Walter who turned 80 on Wednesday 9th We wish you a very Happy Birthday

Contacts

All enquiries and requests for support to Jane Holme: church@stmarkstandrew.org or by calling 07933 952171
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If you would value prayer for anything please send requests to our prayer chain. This will be shared with home group leaders and passed to our dedicated pray-ers. All details will be treated respectfully.
prayer@stmarkstandrew.org

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Do pray for us and contact the office with suggestions.

APCM Wednesday 14th October 7.30pm at St Mark's

This link is for SALT & MALT and PCC members.

["Cobra" ZOOM](#)