

Prayer for the Vacancy

God our Father, you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His body in this place: Send us your Holy Spirit at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision and energy and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community. Give your heavenly wisdom to those who are to choose a new incumbent for this parish, that she or he may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people, ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your Son, Jesus. Amen.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE – IMPORTANT



If you are feeling unwell– please let Polly know. We can help with shopping, visits or any other supportive action you may need. The key points regarding service protocols at St Mary's are:

- The wearing of face masks is left to parishioners personal preference.
- We will be leaving the back door open as long as the weather allows – **please come dressed appropriately as it can get chilly.**

Why should I feel good about giving?

We can all be proud that, after more than 1,300 years, St Mary's is a beautiful and thriving church in which to worship. This has only been achieved through the generosity of our congregation over the years. You can feel good about helping St Mary's survive and prosper in the future. You might also feel good about getting a tax refund!

How to Donate

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The WC's are located in the Church Hall.



St Mary's, Stoke D'Abernon

Sunday 3rd April 2022

Fifth Sunday of Lent



April 2022 Services at St Mary's

Apr 3rd	10am	Choral Eucharist Revd Barnaby Perkins
Apr 10th	10am	Parish Eucharist – Palm Sunday Revd Frances Trickey
	6pm	Evensong Phillip Herbert, LLM
Apr 14th	8pm	Sung Eucharist – Maundy Thursday Revd Charlene Hollington
Apr 15th	2-3pm	Good Friday Devotion Revd Mary-Beth Hawrish
Apr 17th	10am	Festal Eucharist – Easter Sunday Revd Rosemary Mason
Apr 24th	10am	Parish Eucharist Revd Mike Branscombe
	6pm	Evensong Jane Hiley, Warden of Readers

Rector: Parish in Vacancy

Parish Administrator : Polly Zabari
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Church Wardens : Sue Prentice
Ian Read

New to St Mary's?

If this is the first time you are joining us please introduce yourself to the Church Wardens or sides people. Members of all Christian churches are most welcome to receive Holy Communion. We like to be able to contact new members and visitors, so please let us have your contact details. Please send us your name, address, telephone and email address to our parish administrator on 01932 866005 or admin@stmarysstokedabernon.org.uk.

Collect for today

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

10am Choral Eucharist

Minister : Revd Barnaby Perkins

Reading : Phil 3 : 4 - 14

Gospel : John 12 : 1 - 8

Hymns : 605 (t 416ii) om*, 127, 557 (i), 598 (i) om v5

Kyrie: Ukrainien Orthodox

Mass : Victoria – Missa Simile est regnum coelorum

Motet :

*God so loved the world,
that he gave His begotten Son,
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him
should not perish, should not perish
but have everlasting life.*

*For God sent not His Son into the world
To condemn the world.*

But that the world through Him might be saved.

God so loved the world.

Words : John 3 : 16-17 **Music :** John Stainer (1840-1901), from The Crucifixion

Postlude : Tiento Llano del primer tono – Aguilera de Heredia (1561 – 1627)



We will be serving coffee in the hall after the service. Please come and join us.



The Church will be open for visitors on Saturdays and Sundays from now until October from 2 – 4pm



MOST WANTED ITEMS THIS WEEK

UHT semi skimmed or whole milk	Nappies size 8
Sponge puddings	Tinned potatoes
UHT Fruit juice 1l	Savoury snacks
Chocolate spread	Baby wipes
Tinned dog food	Nappies size 5

Lent lunch and Bible Study



Our Lent lunches and Bible Study continue this week ALL WELCOME – regardless of whether you have previously attended. **11.30am on Wednesday in our hall followed by a soup lunch.**



If you have any safeguarding worries please contact the Parish Office in the first instance.



If you wish to join us but have no way of getting to St Mary's, please let Polly know and we will endeavour to arrange transport. We desperately need drivers – if you can help in any way with giving lifts to services and/or social functions please let Polly know asap.

Churchyard Working Party



We plan to hold our next Churchyard Working party on **Saturday 9th April from 9.30-1pm.** If you can spare some time to come along and help make our Churchyard look its finest before the Vacancy interviews take place we would be most grateful.



It is with great sadness we announce the death of **Sheila Arnoldi** on Sun 20th March. The funeral will be held at St Mary's on Wednesday 13th April at 1.30pm followed by refreshments in the hall.

May she rest in peace in rise in glory.

LENT APPEAL 2022 - Bishop of Guildford's Communities Fund

The Fund supports the vulnerable and marginalised throughout the diocese. With many continuing to feel the effects of isolation and food poverty as we emerge from the pandemic and now facing increasing inflation, this work is more important than ever. We can only continue this work with your generous support. Bishop Andrew is asking both parishes and individuals to dig deep and consider how you can help the Fund to continue to do this important work.

<https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/making-disciples/cultivating-community-partnerships/bishops-community-fund/lent-appeal>