



Welcome to St Mary's News

10 March 2024



Men's Munch

Calling all our men!! You are warmly invited to come along to lunch at 26 Guinevere Avenue, Stretton on Saturday 16th March from 12 noon to 2pm. There's no agenda, just good food and good company! If you would like to come, or even just want to know more, please contact Paul Spencer on 01283 561566 or email pspencer@uwclub.net. Early booking is very much appreciated to assist with catering arrangements!



Help with sheep needed

We are looking for anyone who knits or crochets, to help make the sheep for our baptism families. It's a lovely touch for the families to be given the sheep, but we have quite a few baptisms booked in, and so help is needed. Please speak to Janet Royall or Cheryl Broom for more details, or to offer to help. Thank you.



APCM and Church Wardens

St Mary's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place at 7pm on Wednesday 24th April. As usual we will have reports from all the church activities and will focus on two in particular. We will need to appoint two new churchwardens as both Ruth and Charles are standing down having both faithfully and energetically fulfilled their roles.

Now is a good time to consider whether God may be calling you to take on the role of churchwarden. The role is to be the chief lay representative of the church, taking an active role in ministry and maintaining the fabric the church. If God is not calling you, then perhaps he may suggest to you someone you would like to ask. Charles and Ruth will be both be happy to chat with anyone about what the role entails.



Brass Cleaning

The brasses will be cleaned for Easter on Tuesday 12th March at 11a.m.

It would be lovely if you could join us. Ruth.



Holy Week

We will be marking Holy Week by encouraging as many folk as possible to join together in worship, prayer and reading the bible. The following events will be taking place:

Monday - Saturday (with the exception of Maundy Thursday evening) Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer, alternating between St Chad and St Mary. We will have a Maundy Thursday bring and share meal in St Mary's church hall at 6pm concluding with a short act of worship. There will be an hour's reflection on Good Friday afternoon 2pm-3pm. We celebrate the start of Easter morning with a dawn service at St Chad's at 6.15am.

	Location
Monday 25th	
10am Morning Prayer	St Chad
7pm Evening Prayer	St Mary
Tuesday 26th	
10am Morning Prayer	St Mary
7pm Evening Prayer	St Chad
Wednesday 27th	
10am Morning Prayer	St Chad
7pm Evening Prayer	St Mary
Thursday 28th	
10am Morning Prayer	St Chad
6pm Maundy Thursday Meal	St Mary
Good Friday 29th	
10am Morning Payer	St Mary
2pm Good Friday reflection	St Mary
7pm Evening Prayer	St Chad
Saturday 30th	
10am Morning Prayer	St Chad
7pm Evening Prayer	St Mary
Easter Sunday 31st	
6.15am Dawn Service	St Chad

Diary Dates

House groups also meet at various locations and times on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursday. Please contact Kas in the office for more information.

		From		
Sunday	10 March	10am	Holy Communion	Church
Wednesday	13 March	10.30am	Prayer meeting	Church
Thursday	14 March	2pm-4pm	Chatterbox Cafe	Hall
Saturday	16 March	Noon-2pm	Men's Munch	Paul & Laura's house
		2pm-4pm	Outrageous Women	Lynette's house
Sunday	17 March	10am	Holy Communion	Church
Wednesday	20 March	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
Thursday	21 March	2pm-4pm	Chatterbox Cafe	Hall
		7.30pm	PCC meeting	By zoom
Saturday	23 March	2pm-4pm	Outrageous Women	Lynette's house
Sunday	24 March	10am	Holy Communion	Church
		3.30pm	IOBY Easter Egg Hunt	Church & Church yard
Monday to Sunday	25 March to 31 March	10am 7pm	Holy Week services—please see separate notice	St Chad & St Mary's Churches
Wednesday	27 March	10.30am	No Prayer meeting	Church
Thursday	28 March	2pm-4pm	Chatterbox Cafe	Hall
		6pm	Maundy Thursday meal	Hall
Sunday	31 March	10am	Easter Sunday Holy Communion	Church
Wednesday	3 April	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church
Thursday	4 April	2pm-4pm	Chatterbox Cafe	Hall

Stream link for Sunday's Service:

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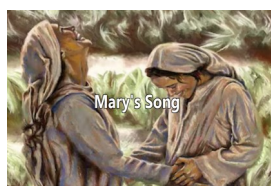
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