

ST MARY'S SPEEN PEW NEWS 36/2021

1) SERVICES

Please still wear a face covering inside the church throughout our services, as usual. Bring an umbrella if it looks like rain. We like singing the last hymn outside in our idyllic churchyard.

a) THIS WEEK

Sunday 29th August Service of the Word led by Julian Shelley.

READINGS

James 1:17-27

Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

HYMNS

A selection of sacred music by Henry Purcell and sung by the choir of Christchurch Oxford will be played during the service.

70 Be Thou my vision, to be sung outside after the blessing

12.30 pm Baptism We welcome Roxanne Taylor for baptism.

b) MIDWEEK PRAYER

Wednesdays at 2-4pm. St M's is open for private prayer .

c) NEXT WEEK

September 5th September 10.30am Holy Communion led by Rev Joy Mawdesley

2) QUESTIONNAIRES

Thank you for the questionnaires we have already received. They are really helpful. The worship group will be looking at them shortly and we will let you know the outcome. If you haven't filled one in yet please could you let us have yours this weekend.... Thank you.

3) MEN'S CURRY NIGHT THURSDAY 9th SEPTEMBER 7-9pm at ST MARY'S:

Invitation from Jim Lupton. This is an exciting new joint venture with St Nic's.

Men of St Nic's and St Mary's are warmly invited to a curry night to be held on Thursday 9th September at St Mary's. We are extremely grateful to Shalini Philip for cooking the curry. We are aiming to host in the grounds if weather permits (so bring a torch), but we can also use the Majendie Hall if required. So we know the numbers, please register if you want to come via Mandy at the St Nic's church office 016345 47018 or let Mavis H know 01635 43120. (please advise any dietary requirements). There will be a donations bowl but there is no charge for the event. Please bring your own drinks. Friends are also very welcome but must register! Jim Lupton (Hint: This looks like being a popular event, so book early. MJH).

4) 12th September 2021 HERITAGE AFTERNOON

A reminder about our Open Day. Volunteers still needed please
Our Open Day will be on Sunday 12th September, beginning with the blessing of the historic Ladywell after the normal Sunday morning service. Brian Nobes at briannobes48@hotmail.co.uk or Peter Rimmer at peterrimmer22@icloud.com.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY from Brian Nobes

Brother Francis, a Benedictine Monk formerly at Elmore, contacted me a couple of days ago to say that there are confirmed plans to inter the ashes of Brother Kenneth who died a couple of years ago, in the “Garden of Remembrance” on the 5th October. The plan is for a service in the Elmore chapel at 2:30pm to which we are all invited, and a “wake” in the Majendie Hall following the interment.

This will be an opportunity for our congregation, even if they were not connected with the Benedictine Brethren, to experience a service the beautiful Elmore Abbey Chapel.

Ann and Steve Fisher are very supportive of all the above. Brian N.

ST MARY'S BENEDICT CHAPEL EAST WINDOW REFLECTING EVENING LIGHT at 6.30pm, by Brian Nobes We don't usually get to see the text “Worthy is the lamb that was slain” lit up like this.



Best Wishes, Mavis

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