



Sunday 22 February Lent 1

Theme for today

This morning's theme is the Temptation of Jesus. We learn the nature of temptation and how to resist it through God's word. "Man does not live on bread alone...."

Services This Sunday It's half Term so two services.

10.30am Ising Morning Praise with Children's Group

Rev Tim Ward

Matthew 8 v 23-27

Matthew 4 v 1-11

6.00pm Holy Communion CW with Baptism

Rev Tim Ward

Matthew 9 v 9-13

Luke 15 v 1-10

Set Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Please pray for Rocco Richards' family, especially for his brother Levi, along with, Fliss Davies for strength & healing.

Pray for our Community:

Arundel Road, Barnfield Cottages and Orchard Crescent,
Fontwell

ST MARYS EVENTS

This evening, we welcome Novie and Mason Holly for Baptism into the family of Christ's Church.

Tuesday 24 February

8.15am Zoom Parish Prayer Meeting. Please email Tim Ward vicar@stmaryswalberton.org.uk if you need a link which stays the same throughout the month.

9.00am Churchyard Working Party. Churchyard working group working today. Contact Peter Brown 551829.

Wednesday 25 February

10.30am Morning Home Group at Vanessa's house 26 Henty Close studying the Diocesan Lent Course on **Matthew's gospel** vchurch@btopenworld.com 07717 075848

7.15pm Evening Vicarage Group studying Diocesan Lent Course on Matthew at The Vicarage. Cake or desert provided. Contact Tim on 01243 551488.

Friday 27 February

10.30am Coffee Stop. Come and enjoy tea and coffees and a chat in the Pavillion. £2 donation requested - all profits go to charity. Post Office is open from 9am –12 noon.

Tuesday 10 March

9.15am - Outreach Action Group at 10 Collins Close.

7.30pm Games Evening, at 10 Collins Close. Please speak to Peter Allday if you are interested. 544615.

Thursday 12 March

2.00pm Mothers Union Lenten Reflection talk at Church given by MU diocesan speaker Sue Hyland.

Thursday 19 March

10.00am Little Lambs for pre-school children, babes and their carers. Come and enjoy songs, crafts, story, coffee and chat in the Church.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEWS

~ New Wine 2026 - 28 July to 2 August. (option to pack and go the morning of 3 August which many of us do).

Do come to Somerset with us for a time of fun, friends and family as we encounter Jesus in new and wonderful ways and have quality time together. Camp or stay off site in a B and B. Children love it, young people love it, adults love it, we all love it. You'll come back refreshed and yes maybe exhausted, but you won't regret going. Please talk to Caroline Sewell who is intending to go for costs and logistics or to Sandra Cooke for an idea of what it is like. The Support Fund is able to offer help with costs (upto one third.) see Tim. This is a New Wine Event.

~ World Day of Prayer on Friday 6 March at 2.30pm hosted by Westergate Methodist Church, PO20 3RH. The theme is 'I will give you rest'.

~ **AV project at St Mary's** As church members will know a sub-group of the PCC has been working on a project to upgrade St Mary's audiovisual equipment. We plan to have modern loudspeakers, projector, screen etc which will both improve the quality of what we see and hear, and also reduce risks by removing trailing electric cables and eliminating the need for the projector to be in the main aisle. We are almost ready to submit our faculty application to the diocese to progress the work. The cost will be around £25 000 with funding **underpinned by the legacies we received last year.** We'll also approach some grant-making charities and ask for support from the congregation. If you would like to ask any questions please approach Tim, Jean, Steve, Martin or Brendan.

~ Giving envelopes If you would like to start using giving envelopes Please let Tom Evans know 544672.

~ Helplines: The Diocese recommends Childline on 0800 1111 for children who need to talk about personal issues and Kidscape on 020 78235430 for parents' advice on bullying etc.

Our Vision

"We aim to be a growing church: growing in the love of God as we grow in prayer, in understanding of our faith, and in the use of the gifts each has been given; growing in love for our community as we grow in service, in sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ"

Services for Next Week

1 March - Lent 2

9.00am Binsted Holy Communion BCP

10.30am Holy Communion CW

5.00pm Families at 5

CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer

Parish News Deadline for the Mar 2025 issue is Feb 10
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Newsheet deadline:
Thursdays 9.30am

Office Open:
Weds, Thurs & Fri
9.00am - 11.00am

Out of Office Hours:
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LARGE-PRINT COPIES OF HYMN, SERVICE BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE;
PLEASE ASK A SIDESMAN.
A WHEELCHAIR IS ALSO AVAILABLE.