Harvest Supper and Barn Dance

Come and Celebrate Harvest 2024 with us at St Mary's Church Purton

Saturday 5 October at 6.30pm.
Bring and Share Supper + own Drinks
Children please bring a responsible adult with you!
All welcome – no obligation to dance.....
Donations please for the work of St Mary's Church, thank you

For further information please contact – Sandra 01793 770157

Flowers for Harvest

Do you have any spare flowers in your garden that could be used in a Harvest display in Church? Would you like to come and help decorate St Mary's for Harvest? We would be so pleased to see anyone who has an hour to come and help. We shall also be glad to teach the basic skills of flower arranging if you need help. Every flower arrangement will look beautiful ...guaranteed! We shall be doing the flowers on Friday afternoon October 4th, ready for the Harvest Supper and Barn Dance and then Harvest Festival Service on Sunday October 6th at 10.30am. Please do come and help us celebrate our wonderful world. Libbie 771018 and Jane 772422

Church Maintenance and Cleaning Day Saturday 19th October: 9:30 - 16:30

Yes, another one! Just like our homes, our lovely Grade 1 listed building, needs continuing attention. Many jobs to be done ranging from cleaning gutters and gullies, re-decoration of the Vestry, to cobweb removal. **Please save the date and come for whatever time you can spare.** A snack lunch will be provided. So tools and materials can be resourced in time, please sign sheet in Church or contact Howard Smith on 01793 771493 before 15th October. Thank you.



Purton Churches Together



"In partnership with other Christians in Purton"

Purton Methodist Church

Sunday 6th October 2024 Welcome to our two Churches.

For more information about the service please see the welcome page inside the order of service. If you would like a visit from a Church member, or would value prayer or an opportunity to find out more about the Christian faith please contact

- The Vicar, Rev Ian Tweedie-Smith on 01793 770077 vicarage@stmaryspurton.org.uk
- The Curate, Rev Judith Wells on 01793 770627 judithwells36@googlemail.com
- The Methodist Minister, Rev Shirlyn Toppin on 01793 853197 shirlys8_@hotmail.com
- If you have any Church Safeguarding concern:

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Email: safeguarding@stmaryspurton.org.uk



Church Events

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Sunday 6 th	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian			
October		Tweedie-Smith			
	10.30am	United Harvest Parade Service at St Mary's			
		Church with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith			
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by			
		Rachel Dowling			
	6.00pm	"Raise a Hallelujah" at Purton Methodist			
		Church			
Mon 7 th	9.30am	St Mary's School Harvest Service at St Mary's			
		Church with Rev Judith Wells			
	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group			
		Zoom ID:907644918 Passcode:918865			
	2.00pm	Bible group in St Mary's Church - Proverbs			
Tues 8 th	7.30pm	Choir practice			
Wed 9 th	5.00pm	Prayer Group – Lady Chapel			
Thurs 10 th					
Fri 11 th	7.30pm	Bellringing practice			
Sat 12 th	2.00pm	Golden Wedding tea party at St Mary's Church			
		with Francis & Libbie			
Sunday	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian			
13 th		Tweedie-Smith			
October	10.30am	Holy Communion Service at Purton Methodist			
		Church led by Rev Shirlyn Toppin			
	4.00pm	Messy Church at St Mary's Church			

<u>Prayer:</u> In our street prayer cycle for October, we pray for Witfield Close, Glevum Close, The Common, Locks Lane, *(and from Moulden View)* Bretton Close and Bashkir Close, Quarrydene (Care Home) on Pavenhill and The Bungalow (Care Home) on Pavenhill.

Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Royal Wootton Bassett Methodist Church.

We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Ronald 'Ron' Kaupinnen. James Kent, Tony Bevington, George Duguid.

Eco-Prayer Calendar for October

Give thanks to God for his provision of the harvest. Pray for farmers and the challenges they face, especially with climate change. Please also pray for 'Africa Naturally' in Mozambique (a charity supported by St Mary's). https://africanaturally.com/

Collect: Harvest Thanksgiving

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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.

Reading: Psalm 67

- ¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us –
- ² so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.
- ³ May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
- ⁴ May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.
- ⁵ May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
- ⁶ The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us.
- ⁷ May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Readers: 6th Oct Jane Smith 13th Liz Martin 20th Libbie Sheppard Intercessions: 6th Oct Val Walker 13th David Nettleton 20th Jane Smith St Mary's Church website is: www.stmaryspurton.org.uk

If you want to add an article into the church notices, please email Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris, by first thing Thursday mornings. administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk