



STOCKPORT PARISH CHURCH
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Service times at St Mary's

**Sunday: 10:30am Holy Communion or
Morning Prayer**

Normally the first and third Sunday is Holy Communion
with Morning on the second and fourth.

**Tuesday: 10.00am Holy Communion
12.15pm Lunchtime Service**

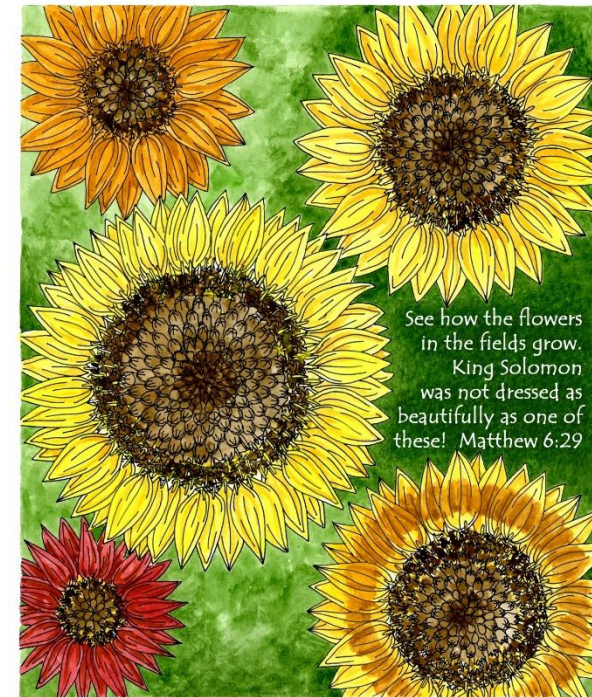
Wedding, Baptism, Funeral and other services by arrangement.

**St Mary's and the Nave Café is open – Tuesday, Thursday, Friday &
Saturday from 9.00am – 3.00pm**



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Parish Magazine – July 2016



See how the flowers
in the fields grow.
King Solomon
was not dressed as
beautifully as one of
these! Matthew 6:29

50p

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placed in the donations box please

St Mary's July 2016

Sunday 3rd July	Holy Communion Baptism	10.30am 1.00pm
Monday, 4 th July	St Mary's with St Andrew's Gardening Club	Meet at St Andrews Community Church at 10.30am
Tuesday, 5 th July	Holy Communion Lunch-time Service World Voice – Vernon Park Primary & Cale Green Primary	10.00am 12.15pm 2.00 pm
Sunday, 10 th July	Morning Prayer A Special Service for Sea Sunday	10.30am
Tuesday, 12 th July	Holy Communion Lunch-time Service	10.00am 12.15pm
Sunday, 17 th July	Holy Communion Nave Café Sunday Lunch	10.30pm 12.30pm for 1.00pm
Monday, 18 th July	St Mary's with St Andrew's Gardening Club PPC Meeting	Meet at St Andrews Community Church at 10.30am 7.30pm (St Mary's)
Tuesday, 19 th July	Holy Communion Lunch-time Service	10.00am 12.15pm
Sunday, 24 th July	Morning Prayer Baptism	10.30pm 2.00pm
Tuesday, 26 th July	Holy Communion Lunch-time Service	10.00am 12.15pm
Sunday 31 st July	Morning Prayer	10.30pm

Correction: The author and editor of this magazine got slightly carried away last month and stated the it was the 4th Nave Café Anniversary having looked at a 2013 back copy for when we opened. That is THREE years operational – not 2013/14/15 & 16 adding up to 4. Sorry got the maths wrong BUT we still need to review our ways of working and seek to improve usage!

Wordsearch

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Members of the Rotary Club of Stockport celebrated the 90th Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II with guests from "Contact the Elderly" at a special Afternoon Tea hosted at Stockport Parish Church (St Mary's in the Marketplace).

It was a most enjoyable afternoon with lots of sandwiches and cakes. As well as plenty of cups of tea, a glass of refreshing lemonade to toast the Queen, and a slice of birthday cake to take home.

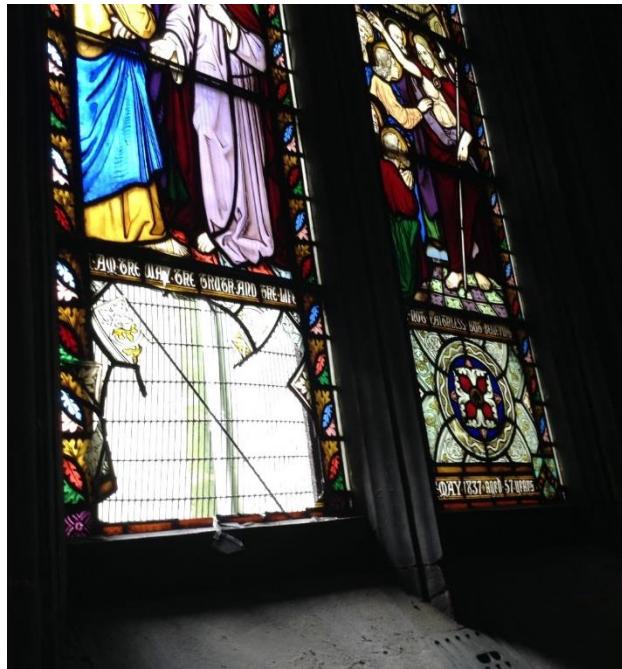


Also joining the party members of the congregation of St Mary's with an invitation to anyone walking by to come and join the celebrations. Catering by "The Nave Cafe".

Shown above: Stockport Rotary Club President, Rotarian David Smithson, Rotarian Robin Slack, Jennifer Smithson, Rotarian Sue Heap & Susan Slack.



Here we go again!



Yet another attack on our property, the third in as many months and the second at St Mary's. The memorial window (shown left) was seriously damaged at some point between Sunday 5th June (after our Civic Service) and being discovered by the Rev Ken Kendrick on his way to take our 10am service of Holy

Communion on Tuesday, 7th June. The last attack at St Mary's (7th April) was an attempted break-in, this time we are almost sure that the culprits entered the church, as the café float (in the blue tin) is missing. Thankfully, unlike at St Andrews (9th May), there was no damage to property or the interior of the church and nothing else was taken. It will be some time before the window can be restored to its former glory, as this is clearly no "two minute" repair job but we are in the hands of experts. It's a sad to see such beautiful workmanship smashed like this, it is sad to think that there are people out there that feel that they have to target a church.



St Mary's with St Andrew's Gardening Club

We can't guarantee such hot and sunny weather every time, but the first meeting took off in the heat of the day, clipping and weeding both at St Mary's Rectory and St Andrew's



Community Hall. With the warm and wet weather everything in sight is growing fast, so lots still to do.

Thanks to those who have bought more plants for the bed outside St Mary's. One consolation of the wet weather of course, no need to get the watering can out!



Thursday Evening Bible Study Group – St Mary's 7pm

It's a friendly and welcoming group with sessions that last around an hour and a half, but if you need to leave earlier that's fine! The group uses "study books" and you are welcome to suggest future studies. A copy of the relevant chapter will be provided each week. You can bring your own Bible or use the church ones.

Starting in July, a new study called "On That Day," which looks at the book of Zechariah. It will help the group to understand more about life as a Christian and to see how God used Zechariah to enable the Israelites to look beyond their own needs.

July 7th: The story of Zechariah- God's massive plan

July 14th: Sweet dreams or night terrors?

July 21st: Priest, King and temple restored

July 28th: To feast or fast?

NO MEETINGS DURING AUGUST

September 1st: The divine warrior

September 8th: Good shepherd, bad shepherds

September 15th: D-day and V-day

September 22nd: The day of the Lord

September 29th: The Good Living Guide (Studies in the Beatitudes based on Matthew 5: 1-12)

October 6th: The privilege of the poor

October 13th: The pleasure of the mourners

October 20th: The strength of the meek

October 27th: half term break

November 3rd: The satisfaction of the righteous

November 10th: The return of the merciful

November 17th: The sight of the pure

November 24th: The family of the peacemakers

December 1st: The joy of the persecuted

Studies will recommence in January

Sunday Lunch at the Nave Cafe



Trio of Melon, Chicken Provencal & Eaton Mess (with a glass of chilled Rose wine) was just the ticket for the first of our summer season Sunday Lunch (held on Fathers Day) events at the Nave Café .

Many thanks to those who attended and those who made a donation. We have made a profit of £120.00 towards church funds.

Do try and join us at one of our future Sunday lunch events on

Sunday:

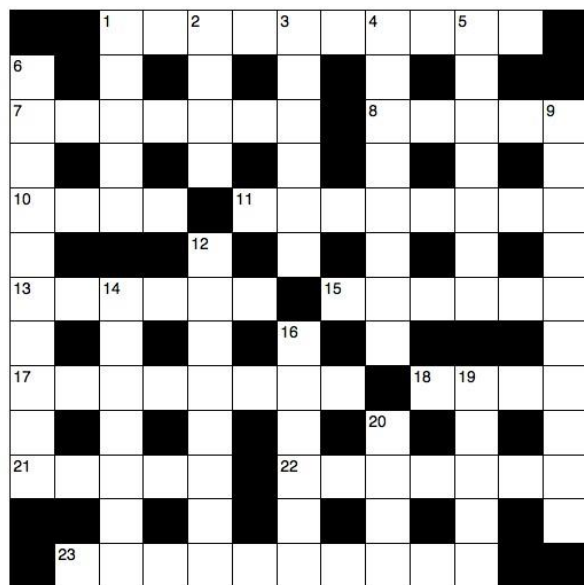
17th July

14th August

11th September

9th October





Across

- 1 Relating to the Jewish day of rest (10)
 7 Point of view (Matthew 22:17) (7)
 8 20th-century Brethren philanthropist whose construction company became one of the UK's biggest, Sir John — (5)
 10 Girl's name (4)
 11 Peter was accused of being one in the courtyard of the high priest's house (Luke 22:59) (8)
 13 The fifth of the

'seven churches' (Revelation 3:1–6) (6)

- 15 'Now the famine was — in Samaria' (1 Kings 18:2) (6)
 17 Banned by the seventh Commandment (Exodus 20:14) (8)
 18 Insect most closely associated with itching (1 Samuel 24:14) (4)
 21 Bantu tribe which gives its name to tiny landlocked country in southern Africa (5)
 22 Familiar material in churches that use an overhead projector (7)
 23 Last book of the Bible (10)

Down

- 1 The young David's favourite weapon (1 Samuel 17:40) (5)
 2 'Your vats will — over with new wine' (Proverbs 3:10) (4)
 3 Once yearly (Exodus 30:10) (6) 4 Milled it (anag.) (3-5)
 5 Region north of Damascus of which Lysanias was tetrarch (Luke 3:1) (7)
 6 Comes between Philippians and 1 Thessalonians (10)
 9 Lake where the first disciples were called (Luke 5:1–11) (10)
 12 Abusive outburst (8) 14 Are loud (anag.) (7)
 16 Printing errors (6) 19 'Take my yoke upon you and — from me' (Matthew 11:29) (5)
 20 Jacob's third son (Genesis 29:34) (4)

Art Exhibition at St Mary's 21st – 28th June



We were delighted to welcome members of the Tuesday Art Group at Vernon Mill, Stockport (under the tuition of Joan Bradley BA (Hons) FRSA) when they brought in some of their work to exhibit at St Mary's.

We hope that you managed to view

the exhibition and who knows you may have been inspired to pick up a paint brush and have a go yourself.

A wonderful selection of painting, by various artists, brought a splash of colour into the south aisle. Thank you to those who bought either paintings or cards.




Interregnum Update

Following discussions with ourselves and the Patron of St Mary's, (Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge) the Bishop of Chester has now officially issued a document "suspending the living". The wording of this has caused a little confusion which we wish to clarify. This notice does not mean that no one will be appointed to the vacancy for a number of years, it is a formality to change the way in which that vacancy will be filled, giving greater flexibility, now and in the future. We were required to "publish" that notice, which can be found on the glass panel by the East Doors.

The Churchwardens, in liaison with the PCC, Rural Dean and Archdeacon of Macclesfield are presently preparing the "Parish Profile" (which is basically a statement describing the conditions, needs and traditions of the parish) and "Fact Sheet" (more in-depth statistical information etc.) . We will be meeting with the Diocese (the Bishop of Stockport, Archdeacon of Macclesfield and others) on a regular basis to plan together the next step forward.

In the meantime we carry on as normal and thank all those members of the Clergy and Lay-Readers who have to date assisted us by conducting our Tuesday & Sunday services.

	Sunday, 10th July
	A Special Service of Morning Prayer for "Sea Sunday" to be led by our Reader Rita Waters.
	10.30am
	Everyone Welcome
160th Anniversary	

Easy Ice Cream

Do you think that ice cream is a foodstuff far beyond the reach of a chef without an ice cream maker? Well, here to prove you wrong is a no-churn recipe that can be easily adapted to make your favourite flavour ice cream. The secret ingredient is condensed milk, which retards the ice crystal formation that usually makes homemade ice cream so disappointing. This recipe can be quite sweet, so consider additions that counteract the ice cream base. Some suggestions can be found below.

Ingredients

200g sweetened condensed milk / 600ml double cream
1tsp vanilla extract

Method

Combine all ingredients and whisk until thick, and soft peaks form. Add your flavour of choice. Fill a tub, cover and freeze until solid.

Raspberry Ripple

100g of raspberry purée [Swirl through the mix before freezing]

Butterscotch Swirl

100g butterscotch sauce / 20g butterscotch pieces
Swirl both sauce and pieces through the mix before freezing.

Chocolate Chip

3tbsp cocoa powder
Sift the cocoa powder into base mixture and combine well. Freeze.

Rum and Raisin

90g raisins / 3tbsp rum
Soak the raisins in the rum for a couple of hours. Mix into base before freezing.

Much more than cows



Almost 30 years ago, Uganda was emerging from a long civil war. With communities – and their farmland destroyed and much of the country's livestock wiped out, a group of Christian dairy farmers flew to Africa to investigate how they could help. Outraged at EU milk quotas, which were forcing them to slaughter healthy dairy cows, and in response to an appeal from Uganda

for milk, they embarked on a project, which was set to become an innovative and practical charity.

Meeting with Ugandan farmers, the Bishop of Mukono, and a livestock expert, they saw how smallholder dairy farming in Africa could work. People there were unable to feed themselves and milk would provide an instant source of nutrition. They returned to the UK determined to help, and sent cows from their own herds to Uganda. Send a Cow was born. The charity doesn't believe in handouts, but in a helping hand – giving some of the continent's poorest people the tools and the means to secure their futures from the land. Send a Cow teaches people how to grow their own food by providing a proven package of training, support, tools, seeds and livestock over a period of 3-5 years. It's a long term approach which helps people to turn their backs on poverty for good. Within a few months, malnourished families are growing enough vegetables to eat regularly and are able to pay for children to attend school. Within a year farmers are diversifying their income streams to ensure they survive the hungry months and unexpected disasters like drought.

Send a Cow doesn't just provide cows or put them on planes, but it has helped over 1.3 million of Africa's poorest people to transform their lives.

To find out more about Send a Cow and how you can help, visit www.sendacow.org

Are you inspired to start a new hobby?

Maybe after looking at the pictures in the exhibition you feel like getting your own paint brushes out. But it doesn't have to be painting to set you off in a new direction.



Maybe you fancy having a go at jewellery making, sculpting, scrapbooking or calligraphy. Have you always wanted to learn a musical instrument and not found the time, learn to dance, learn a new language.... Then there are outdoor pursuits, performing arts, various activities concerning food and drink or even keeping pets.

You will never feel bored if you have a hobby (or two) with the added benefit of feeling that you have achieved something, if it is swimming 20 lengths, running a mile, completing a project, or knitting a scarf. Your hobby can be a topic of conversation, a skill to be proud of and an extra string to your bow.

It can be relaxing, help reduce stress and take our minds away from everyday problems.

Taking up a hobby is a pretty good idea – so why not give it a go.

Remember that we do have a "Craft & Chat" group meeting at St Mary's on a Thursday morning that you may be interested in attending and we are open to suggestions for other activities.