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ST MARY'S
SHIREHAMPTON

Festival of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour"

Sunday 16th August 2026

This week



No Rooted service this morning

10:30am – Patronal Service –
Worship for All

Rev Alison Sowton

Amy Boucher

Please stay for cakes afterwards

Monday 17th **10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

Tuesday 18th **10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

Wed 19th **10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

Thursday 20th **11am** Holy Communion Service
Rev Duncan Jennings

Friday 21st **10am – 2pm** Hot Drinks &
WELCOME Welcoming Space with food
available (grant-funded).

Saturday 22nd **10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

Sunday 23rd **10:30am** Worship for All with
Holy Communion
Rev Alison Sowton
Amy Boucher



*Please stay after the service to
celebrate June Miller's life with
her family over a hot drink and
cake.*

A reminder that the church will be closed on
Monday 31st August due to the Bank Holiday.
We will open as usual over the rest of the week.

Looking ahead

Tuesday 15th September 3:30 – 5:30pm

Harvest Pop Up including crafts and a chance to
create your Harvest Competition entry – create a
root vegetable character using potato, carrot, swede,
sweet potato etc.

Sunday 27th September 10:30am

Harvest Festival Service followed by a Bring & Share
lunch – we will be collecting non-perishable food for
Bristol North West Foodbank, so please bring these
along with you.

Many thanks to all of you who helped with the
Patronal Festival yesterday, whether it be setting up,
putting away, cooking, running activities, playing
music, flower arranging, displaying crafts etc. Your time
and help is appreciated. Thanks also to all of you who
came along – we hope you enjoyed.



Mission Giving 2026 – please indicate on
our noticeboard which charities you would
like to support in 2026 - 1 local,
1 national and 1 international charity.

If there are many suggestions, we will select from the
proposals.

August Bank Holiday Sale 31st August

10am – 1:30pm Bristol North West Foodbank at
St Andrew's Church BS11 9EN
Lots of new items available.

ALFA Christian Community: at Fulligrove House,
Woodwell Road, BS11 9UG.

Drop ins on Wednesdays August 2:30 – 4:30pm.

Quiet Garden Morning, Monday 17th August
10:30am – 12:30pm.

The theme is "Do we labour in vain?" All welcome.

For your prayers: Maureen M, Muriel V, John C, Peter L, Ian H, Genevieve, Dot,
Owen T, Paul, Jean E, Pam, Marilyn, Ron B, Jason, Teresa, Mike T.

From our Parish Prayer list for August

Lower High Street, High Street, The Green, Park Hill, The Coop,
High Street shops, and Lloyds Bank, Snapdragons Pre-School and Nursery



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Voluntary Hymns	Meditation in B minor Tell out my soul Christ's is the world in which we move To God be the glory	A Guilmant
Communion Final hymn	Shall we not love thee & Born in the night Come people of the risen King	
Voluntary	Postlude for the Feast of the Assumption of the virgin Mary	A Guilmant

Collect

Almighty God,
who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;
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.**

Post Communion Prayer

**Lord, we have broken your Bread and received your life.
By the power of your Spirit keep us always in your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Galatians 4: 4 - 7

⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Luke 1: 46 – 55

⁴⁶ And Mary said,
'My soul magnifies the Lord,
⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
⁴⁸ for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
⁵⁰ His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
⁵² He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
⁵³ he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
⁵⁵ according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

12th Sunday after Trinity – Sunday 23rd August

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16: 13 - 20