



To give to St Mary's

St Mary's Link



ST MARY'S
SHIREHAMPTON

7th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 3rd August 2025

"Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed"

TODAY



'Refresh' – social action from home



10:30am – Sung Eucharist
Rev Duncan Jennings



If you are able to stay after the service to help move chairs and set up part of the Pop Up Village, we would love your help.

Monday 4th

9:30am Morning Prayer

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning & Pop Up Village

Tuesday 5th

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning & Pop Up Village

Wednesday 6th

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning & Pop Up Village



10:30am Goldies at St Mary's
(The Prayer Hub may also take place)



6 – 7pm Rooted service here

Thursday 7th

11am Holy Communion Service
Rev Trevor Hearn

12 – 2pm Pop Up Village

Friday 8th



10am – 2pm Hot Drinks & Welcoming Space with food available.
Pop Up Village open at this time too.

Saturday 9th

10am – 12pm Coffee Morning & Pop Up Village. *If you can help pack away and move chairs afterwards, we would love your help. Thank you..*



Sunday 10th



8:30am Rise & Shine 'Mary's Munches' Breakfast



10:30am – Holy Communion
Rev Alison Sowton

Friday 15th August 6 – 7pm VJ Day Firepit, Praise & Peace Gathering in St Mary's Churchyard

Follow in the footsteps of the Shire folk who first celebrated VJ Day in 1945 by joining us around the firepit to sing a variety of classic hymns and pray for peace in our world.
Followed by hotdogs and marshmallows.

Monday 4th – Saturday 9th August - Pop Up

Join us for lots of fun in our mini version of Shire High Street, featuring lots of recognisable buildings. There will be an area for any age to share what you love about Shire and your hopes for its future. Free squash and biscuits for the children, café open each day to purchase hot drinks. We will be open as follows:

Mon 4th, Tues 5th, Wed 6th – 10am – midday

Thursday 7th – 12 – 2pm

Friday 8th – 10am – 2pm

Saturday 9th – 10am – midday



Children must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times please.

Sign-up sheets for volunteers at the back of church.

A special service is being held to say farewell to Bishop Viv as she retires. This will take place in Bristol Cathedral on Saturday 30th August at 3pm.



Everyone is welcome to attend this service which will be followed by light refreshments.

Please book a place no later than 20th

August 2025 by clicking on the QR code and click on the "Get Tickets" box. If you don't have internet access but wish to attend, please let Eleanor know in the office and she will book them for you.

For your prayers: Janet S, Maureen M, Maureen G, Muriel V, John C, Peter L, Ian H, Genevieve, Dot, Lucy, Sue S, Owen T, Sheila S, Claire B, Paul, Lyn S, Andi P, Derek.

Recently bereaved:

Chris Eynon

- please pray for Jill, Andrew, Shelley and family. His funeral will take place here on Tuesday 12th August at 12:30pm.

Albert Price

- please pray for Jean and family. His funeral takes place here on Wednesday 20th August at 1:45pm.

From our Parish Prayer list for August

Lower High Street, High Street, The Green, Park Hill, The Coop, High Street shops, Snapdragons Pre-School & Nursery.



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Voluntary	Arioso	N Rawsthorne
Hymns	All creatures of our God and King Be Thou my vision Here I am to worship	
Communion	Father in heaven	J Barnard
	How shall we sing salvation's song	
Hymn	Now thank we all our God	
Voluntary	Postlude in D	H Willan

Collect
 Generous God,
 you give us gifts and make them grow:
 though our faith is small as mustard seed,
 make it grow to your glory
 and the flourishing of your kingdom;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Prayer after Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
 ever giving himself that the world may live:
 may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion
 that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;
 for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Colossians 3: 1 - 11

3 So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Luke 12: 13 - 21

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' ¹⁴But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' ¹⁵And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" ¹⁸Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." ²⁰But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

8th Sunday after Trinity – Sunday 10th August

Epistle: Hebrews 11: 1 – 3, 8 - 16

Gospel: Luke 12: 32 - 40