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ST MARY'S  
SHIREHAMPTON

Second Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024

“Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother”

## Upcoming Diary

### TODAY



**8.30am** 'Mary's Munches' – all are welcome to join us for a nutritious breakfast for food, friendship, fun and faith.

**10:30am** – Holy Communion  
Lead & Preside - Rev Julie Summers  
Preach - Rev Alison Sowton

**4:45-5:30pm** Songs of Praise Café at the Community Centre, Dursley Rd, BS11 9HX - hearing about the Foodbank. All welcome.

### Monday 10<sup>th</sup>



**9am** Morning Prayer

**10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

**7pm for 7.30pm start** – Licencing of Rev Nicola Harris as Associate Vicar of St Andrew's Avonmouth & St Peter's Lawrence Weston, takes place at St Peter's Lawrence Weston. *Hot drinks from 7pm, cakes & refreshments served afterwards.*

### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>

**10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>



**10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

**10:15 – 11.45am** Prayer Hub in the Lady Chapel

### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

**11am** Holy Communion Service  
Rev Alison Sowton

**2pm** – Mothers' Union Deanery Festival at **St Mary's Henbury**

### Friday 14<sup>th</sup>



**10am – 2pm** Hot Drinks & Welcoming Space. Hot food available in the afternoon.

### Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>

**10am – 12pm** Coffee Morning

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>



**8:30am** Rise & Shine 'Rooted' – interactive Bible exploration with coffee & breakfast pastries

**10:30am** – Holy Communion  
Rev Alison Sowton  
*Followed by a very short Parishoners' meeting to suspend the rule disqualifying churchwardens after 6 years' service and to elect a churchwarden.*

**Going forward**, all main Sunday services will start at **10:30am** and there are also some changes to the Rise & Shine format, as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Rise & Shine 'Refresh'
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Rise & Shine 'Mary's Munches' – Breakfast
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Rise & Shine 'Rooted' – Interactive Bible Exploration
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	No Rise & Shine – Worship for All @ 10.30
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	No Rise & Shine

A short Parishoners' Meeting (around 5 minutes) will take place after the service on **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June** to suspend the rule disqualifying churchwardens after six years and to elect a churchwarden, so please stay after the service if you can.

If you are a Refreshment Helper and especially on our Coffee Morning Rota, it is recommended to complete online **Basic Awareness Safeguarding Training**. St Edyth's are hosting some group training sessions on the following days, especially for those not online:

- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June @1pm
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June @ 10am
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June @10am

Please let Eleanor know which of these dates you are able to attend, so that St Edyth's can organise group numbers and let you know which one you should attend. **If you have completed the training online, please let Eleanor and Claire Staynings know, so that this can be documented.**

### ALFA Christian Community

**Drop in every Wednesday 2:30 – 4:30pm** for cream tea and a chat at Fulligrove House/ Garden, Woodwell Road BS11 9UG. All welcome.

**Garden Cream Tea with various activities on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2.30-4.30pm** at Fulligrove House Garden BS11 9UG. All welcome.

**For your prayers:** Janet S, Maureen M, Sheila S, Julie M, Alexandra, Logan, Solveig G, Vicki C, Sue S, Maureen G, Graham, June B, Michael C, Owen, Muriel V, Eileen M, Mary D.

**Recently deceased:** Please pray for the family and friends of David Neate, especially Sandra.

**From our Parish Prayer list for June – Central Area**  
Priory Road, Walton Road, Church Leaze, Bradley Crescent, Bradley Avenue, Pembroke Avenue, Pembroke Road, Hampton Corner, Waverley Road, Severn Road, The Health Centre.



**Voluntary Hymns** Pastorale H Sumsion  
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
Only by grace  
How deep the Father's love  
**Communion** In thee O Lord I put my trust G F Handel  
O the love of the Lord  
**Final hymn** Lord the light of your love  
**Voluntary** Toccata from Gothique suite L Boelmann

**Collect**  
Faithful Creator,  
Whose mercy never fails  
Deepen our faithfulness to you  
And to your living word  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

**Lord God, you feed us with the living bread from heaven;  
renew our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love.  
Teach us to hunger for Christ who is the true and living bread,  
and to live by every word that comes from your mouth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

### **2 Corinthians 4: 13 – 5: 1**

<sup>13</sup> But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup> So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5</sup> For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

### **Mark 3: 20 - end**

<sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup> 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— <sup>30</sup>for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

<sup>31</sup> Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' <sup>33</sup>And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17

Gospel: Mark 4: 26 - 34