

Romans 8: 1-11

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

⁵ Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶ The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. ⁸ Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. ¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Diary Dates

Sun 27th September – Harvest Festival Parade Service 10.30am at St Mary's

Sat 3rd October – Harvest Supper & Barn Dance 6.00pm

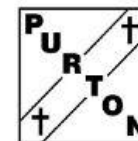
Sat 10th October 'Come and Sing' Day at St Mary's Church – Handel's Messiah



St Mary's
Church Purton

**Purton
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Purton
Methodist Church

Sunday 12th July 2026

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
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Church Events

Sunday 12th July	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's with Canon Michael Johnson
	10.30am	Holy Communion Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Rev Shirlyn Toppin
Mon 13 th	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group Zoom ID: 907644918 Passcode:918865 https://us06web.zoom.us/j/907644918
	12 noon	Funeral of the late Ron Townsend at St Mary's Church with Revd Sandy Railton
	1.45pm	Bible group (Pear Tree Close)
	3.00pm	Communion at the Ashgrove with Paul & Marie Dempsey
Tues 14 th	7.30pm	Music group rehearsal in St Mary's Church
Wed 15 th	3.45pm	Lady Chapel Prayer Group
Thurs 16 th	11.00am	Funeral of the late Hazel Beckett at St Mary's Church with Revd Sandy Railton
Fri 17 th	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Sat 18 th		
Sunday 19th July	8.00am	Extended Communion at St Mary's with Paul & Marie Dempsey and Richard Harris
	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's led by Peter Harris - and Richard Harris to speak
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church

Prayer: In July (in our cycle of prayer for those living and working in the Parish) we pray for those living and working in Hillside, Station Road, Willowbrook, Bamford Close, Shaftesbury Court, Smiths Court, Widham, Clardon, New Road, (*and from Ridgeway Farm*) Course Meadow and South View; and Ashgrove House Care Home on Station Road.

Methodist circuit prayers for this week are for Toothill Church.

We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Martin Gem, Ron Townsend & Hazel Beckett.

Eco-Prayer Calendar for July 2026

Thank God for the beauty of the earth, for the great variety of plants, birds and wildlife which enriches our lives. Pray for those who do not have access to green space; for our government, councils, industries and house-building companies to recognise the importance of working in harmony with the environment.

Collect: Trinity 6

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

Readers: 12th Christine Gill 19th Julia Knowles

Intercessions: 12th Revd Judith Wells 19th Libbie Sheppard

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