

ORGAN DEMONSTRATION RECITAL

All Saints Church, Lydiard Millicent 28th March 2026 at 3.30pm

The All Saints events team are pleased to announce that our splendid and recently repaired organ is being demonstrated by Paul Hale FRCO, ARCM.

PAUL HALE was Cathedral Organist and *Rector Chori* at Southwell Minister and in 2017 the Archbishop of Canterbury conferred on him the *Thomas Cranmer Award* in recognition of his 'outstanding contribution to church music in Southwell and beyond'. He is in national demand as an independent organ consultant with projects in recent years including new organs for Merton College Oxford, Manchester and Newcastle R.C. Cathedrals plus restoration or rebuilding projects at Rochdale Town Hall, Selby Abbey, Birmingham, Salisbury and Rippon Cathedrals. He is currently planning the restoration of the Hradetzky organ in the Royal Northern College of Music along with new organs for Gloucester Cathedral and St Barnabas Oxford. We were very fortunate that Paul helped All Saints bring the repairs/restoration of our splendid Nicholson organ to a happy conclusion being celebrated at this event.

Doors will open at 3pm and light refreshments served at the end of a one-hour concert. The music will span pieces from the 17th to early 20th Century and include composers such as Bach, Mendelssohn, Albinoni and Franck. Any donations will kick start an Organ Fund to both maintain the instrument and fully restore it in about 20 years' time.

Jigsaw Puzzle Sale: for Christian Aid

In Pips Café on Saturday March 7th from 10.30am.

Most puzzles £2: brand-new ones may be a bit more. Also some other board games for sale. If you have any puzzles/games to donate, please bring them along to Pips on Thursday 5th or Friday 6th March or contact Libbie 771018 and she will collect. Thank you

Readers: 15th Val Walker 22nd Jean Belt

Intercessions: 15th David Nettleton 22nd David Martin

St Mary's Church website is: www.stmaryspurton.org.uk

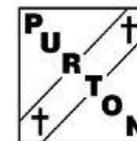
If you want to add an article into the church notices, please email Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris, by first thing Thursday mornings.
administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk



St Mary's
Church Purton

Purton
Churches
Together

"In partnership with
other Christians in Purton"



Purton
Methodist Church

Sunday 15th February 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
vicarage@stmaryspurton.org.uk
- The Methodist Minister, Rev Shirlyn Toppin on 01793 853197
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Marie Dempsey on 07455046815
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For general enquiries: Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris
01793 773035 (Tues/Thurs mornings)
Email: administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk

The Transfiguration

A voice came from the cloud, saying,

'This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.'

Luke 9: 28-36

Church Events

Sunday 15th February	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's with Revd Ian & Celia Tweedie-Smith. Luke 9: 28-36
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Phil Bunce
	4.00pm	Messy Church at St Mary's Church
Mon 16 th	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group Zoom ID: 907644918 Passcode:918865 https://us06web.zoom.us/j/907644918
	1.45pm	Bible group at Pear Tree Close – The Gospel of John
	2.00pm	St Mary's Fellowship of Women meet at Purton Methodist Church: 'Gradual loss of hearing' with Libbie Sheppard
Tues 17 th		
Wed 18 th	12 noon	Lent Lunches at Purton Methodist Church
	5.00pm	Lady Chapel Prayer Group
Thurs 19 th	2.30pm	Communion at White Lodge with Liz & David Martin
	7.30pm	Lent Groups at both College Road and Ringsbury Close
Fri 20 th	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Sat 21 st		
Sunday 22nd February	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Pam Mullin

Prayer: In February (in our cycle of prayer for those living and working in the Parish) we pray for those living and working in Blacklands, Red Gables Close, Ward Close, Highridge Close, The Masons, (*and from Ridgeway Farm*) Upper Mill, Ray Close and The Buffer Caring Hands (Wiltshire) Care Home at Battle Lake Farm. Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Highworth Methodist Church. We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Sheila Fowler, Trevor Maxfield, Patricia

Fryer, Tom Tickell, Jean Bamford, Reg Richardson, Derek Scuse, Marjorie Sansum and Robert Scott.

The funeral service for the late Marjorie Sansum will be at St Mary's on 26th February at 2.00pm; and for the late Derek Skuse at St Mary's on 3rd March at 10.30am, both with Revd Judith Wells.

Eco-Prayer Calendar for February 2026

Recent reports suggest that the world is on track to exceed a key global warming target soon. Pray that God will give wisdom to nations to honour the commitments they have made to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions; ask God to inspire scientists, industry and governments to find global solutions to the problem of generating clean affordable energy.

Collect: The Sunday next before Lent

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Lent Groups

This Lent we're running small groups using short clips from 'The Greatest Showman' to explore themes of hope, redemption, and new life through discussion and prayer. The groups run for five weeks, starting the week commencing 16th February, and are open to everyone—whether you've been part of a group before or are just curious to try one. There will be food and a film showing in **two** homes on 14th February. Details will be emailed out to anyone interested. For more information contact: Richard Harris 07854444663 richard@harris-family.co.uk or Paul Dempsey 07796378136

Passion Play by Rise Theatre. Wednesday 18th March 7.30pm

Don't miss this amazing event - Citifaith Church in Regent's Street 7:30pm. Doors open at 7pm. Under 14s to be accompanied by a parent, guardian or Youth Leader.

Tickets can be bought online from www.ticketsource.co.uk/risetheatre - concessions are available. To watch a trailer for the play, follow this link [Reading Passion Play 2025 - RISE Theatre](#)

