

St Mary's Church Christmas Market
Saturday 30th November 2024
11.00am to 2.30pm

Could you please help at this event by running a stall - cakes, books & jigsaws, produce, tombola, children's toys etc or by making cakes, preparing food for refreshments, providing tombola or raffle prizes or helping to set up and clear up chairs and tables. Your support is much appreciated.

Please give any donations of - Cakes/pies to Marie; Books/jigsaws to Judith; Tombola items to Sheila; Christmas Hamper items to Val; Paintings to Libbie. Children's toys or books to Mary Hodges or Mary Smith. Let us make this a joyous fundraising event to help support St Mary's Church and Family now and into the future. Thank you very much, Sandra

Concert: The Wessex Male Voice Choir & Purton Village Voices

at St. Mary's Church, Purton

The Wessex are once again joined by Purton Village Voices for an evening of winter music and carols. Refreshments will be available.

Saturday 7th December 2024 at 7.00pm

TICKETS: £15.00 Adult Under18's £6.50



St Mary's
Church Purton

**Purton
Churches
Together**

"In partnership with
other Christians in Purton"



Purton
Methodist Church

Sunday 24th November 2024

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 Curate, Rev Judith Wells on 01793 770627
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- The Methodist Minister, Rev Shirlyn Toppin on 01793 853197
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- If you have any Church Safeguarding concern:
Marie Dempsey: 07455046815
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Advent Bible Study Group

Come and study the biblical words of
peace, hope, joy, and love.

From 25th November for 4 weeks
starting at 7:30pm

Monday Group – Richard & Rosie's

Thursday Group – Paul & Marie's

Talk to Paul, Richard or contact
administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk



Christmas Concert



**Sing Four Four Community Choir
& Guests Voces Mates**
at St Mary's Church, Purton

Sunday 1st December at 3.00pm

TICKETS £6 (under 12s go free)

With a raffle and retiring collection in aid of St Mary's Church

Church Events

Sunday 24th November	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith & Richard Harris
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Joseph Musungu
	6.00pm 6.30pm	Simple supper at the vicarage before ... Dig Deeper at the vicarage with Ian and Tim Cross (see overleaf for more information)
Mon 25 th	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group Zoom ID:907644918 Passcode:918865
Tues 26 th	7.30pm	Music group rehearsal (venue tbc)
	7.30pm	Choir practice
Wed 27 th	5.00pm	Prayer Group – Lady Chapel
Thurs 28 th	7.00pm	Rehearsal for concert at St Mary's Church
Fri 29 th	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Sat 30 th	11.00am -2.30pm	St Mary's Church Christmas Market
Sunday 1st December	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd John Martin
	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's Church with Liz Martin & Peter Harris
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Adam Longhurst
	3.00pm	Concert at St Mary's Church – Sing Four Four Community Choir & Voces Mates
	6.00pm	Raise a Hallelujah at Purton Methodist Church

Prayer: In our street prayer cycle for November, we pray for Church Path, Church Street, Hyde Lane, The Hyde, Parkside, Church End, Manor Hill, (*and from Moulden View*) Criollo Place and Oldenburg Close; the Cedars Care Home on Purton High Street. Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Purton Methodist Church. We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Hedley Webb, Margaret Beaumont, Vicki Venter and Jill Mucklow.

Bible reading: Psalm 40: 1-17

¹I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. ²He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand....

Collect: Christ the King (Sunday next before Advent)

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Dig Deeper Sunday 24th November 2024 The Vicarage

6.00pm for **Simple Supper** – Casserole with Baked Potatoes (please inform Celia in advance with numbers and any dietary requirements)
6.30pm **Facing Uncertain Times with God's Certain Promises**
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."
Major General (retired) Tim Cross will be joining us remotely. He has experience of peace making and peace keeping in Northern Ireland, the Balkans, and Iraq. He will come with some reflections on the situation in Ukraine, Gaza, Israel, Lebanon and Iran; how a Christian can be a peacemaker in those places and elsewhere. How we individually, as a Church and as a nation can face uncertain times with God's certain promises. He will provide a presentation and be available for questions. We will aim to finish by 8.15pm. Ian Tweedie-Smith

movies@mary's Christmas showing is a well-known Christmas film in which a wooden father struggles to get home for Christmas. Saturday 21 December. Doors open 4.30pm for 5.00pm showing (including free popcorn!).

Walk Through the Bible Saturday 25th January 2025

Please save the date and look forward to a day to discover how the whole Old Testament hangs together.

Readers: 24th Brian Gill 1st Dec Godfrey Fowler 8th Sandra Horsnall

Intercessions: 24th David Martin 1st Libbie Sheppard

8th Celia Tweedie-Smith

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

