Saturday 11th October Harvest Supper and Barn Dance

at St Mary's Church, Purton starting at 6.30pm.

Free entry to this seasonal celebration with a Bring and Share Supper, please bring your own drinks and glasses. All very welcome, children please bring adults. No obligation to dance but it can be fun! Donations received will go towards the work of Africa Naturally in Mozambique. This is a charity that St Mary's Church supports. Please contact Sandra 01793 770157 or David 01793 770171 to book your seats. Look forward to seeing you there!

Harvest Decorations

Any help with Harvest decorations for St Mary's will be warmly welcomed by Libbie and Jane as they decorate for Sunday 5th October We shall be in Church on Saturday 4th (after having flu and covid jabs!) if anyone wants to join us! Flowers, fruits, garlands, sheaves of corn...anything harvest and seasonal will be welcomed with grateful thanks.

St Mary's Church Christmas Market -

Sat 29 November 2025 in the Church, from 11.00am - 3.00pm.

We are looking for new, different activities. Are you able to help on the day or run a stall? Do you know someone, a friend or neighbour who might be interested in booking a table? Let's make this a really exciting Community event this year! For more information please contact Sandra - 01793 770157

Advance notices

- 'Come and Sing' Day Handel's Messiah on December 6th at St Mary's
- Walk Through the Bible (New Testament) on Saturday 31st January 2026



Purton Churches Together



"In partnership with other Christians in Purton"

Purton Methodist Church

Sunday 5th October 2025 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 shirlys8 @hotmail.com
- If you have any Church Safeguarding concern:

Marie Dempsey on 07455046815

Email: safeguarding@stmaryspurton.org.uk

For general enquiries: Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris

01793 773035 (Tues/Thurs mornings)

Email: administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk



Church Events

Sunday 5 th	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian			
October		Tweedie-Smith			
	10.30am	Harvest Festival Parade Service at St Mary's			
		with Liz & David Martin			
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by			
		Robin Phoenix-Stone			
	6.00pm	Sunday Evening Music at Purton Methodist Church			
Mon 6 th	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group			
		Zoom ID: 907644918 Passcode:918865			
		Join Zoom Meeting			
		https://us06web.zoom.us/j/907644918			
	10.15am	St Mary's School Harvest Service at St			
		Mary's Church			
	2.00pm	(New) Bible study at 43 Pear Tree Close			
		looking at the story of Elijah			
Tues 7 th	7.30pm	Music group rehearsal (venue tbc)			
Wed 8 th	5.00pm	Lady Chapel Prayer Group			
Thurs 9 th					
Fri 10 th	7.30pm	Bellringing practice			
Sat 11 th	6.30pm	Harvest Supper and Barn Dance at St			
		Mary's			
Sunday	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian			
12 th		Tweedie-Smith			
October	10.30am	Holy Communion Service at Purton			
		Methodist Church led by Rev Shirlyn Toppin			
	4.00pm	Messy Church at St Mary's			

<u>Prayer:</u> In our street prayer cycle for October, we pray for Witfield Close, Glevum Close, The Common, Locks Lane, *(and from Moulden View)* Bretton Close and Bashkir Close & Quarrydene (Care Home) on Pavenhill

Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for MHA Fitzwarren House and Court.

We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Ron Scott, Roderick Wightman, Ken Cox, Nigel May, Simon Osborne, Claude Indge and Graham Quincey.

Collect: Harvest Thanksgiving

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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.

Eco-Prayer Calendar for October

Give thanks to God for his provision of the harvest. Pray for farmers and the challenges they face, especially with climate change. Please also pray for 'Africa Naturally' in Mozambique (a charity supported by St Mary's).

https://africanaturally.com/

Men's Breakfast

All Saints Lydiard Millicent Church Saturday 4th October 8.00am All welcome including from St Mary's! (Next date after that will be Saturday 8th November)

Readers: 5th Oct Libbie Sheppard 12th Jane Smith Intercessions: 5th Oct Libbie Sheppard 12th Paul Dempsey 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