

DIARY

Monday 14th January

2-4.00pm Bible Study at 9 Orchard Close

Friday 18th January

12.00 Funeral for Joyce MONK at
Woking Crematorium

Sunday 20th January

The Third Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion BCP

10.30am Holy Communion CW

Monday 21st January

10-12.00 Coffee Shop at Church Rooms

Stall "Unwanted Gifts"

Charity Crisis Centre Ministries

3.30pm Holy Communion at The Old Hall

Friday 25 January

4.00pm Confirmation Course 2. Follow the
Leader – Jesus

Sunday 27th January

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion CW

10.30am Holy Communion CW

Sunday Club

One body, many parts

1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 31a

Thursday 31st January

2.00pm Funeral for Barry Mason at
Woking Crematorium

NEWSLETTER

Any items for the newsletter to Linda Mumford,
please – telephone 225425 or email to
news@sendparishchurch.co.uk

Want an electronic version of this newsletter, go to
<http://www.sendparishchurch.co.uk/news.pdf>

SUNDAY CLUB welcomes all children aged 3 to 12 in the Church Rooms on two Sunday mornings each month during term time. For more information visit our website, email Sally Harrison at sundayclub@sendparishchurch.co.uk or phone 01483 223725.



FUNDRAISING

Pennies (11 months)	£160.93
December Coffee Shop (St Mary's Church, Send)	£254.55
Christmas Tree and Angel Festival and Fair	£1,128,75

GIFTAID

If you pay tax, please remember to GIFTAID any donation you make to St Mary's. It is surprising how much extra income this simple action generates. For a single donation please use the GIFTAID envelopes in church or for regular payments into St Mary's bank account please complete a GIFTAID Declaration Form. For a Declaration Form please speak with either Helen or Rachel our Church Wardens.

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NEWS AT ST. MARY'S

Sunday 13th January 2019 The Baptism of Christ

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am	Holy Communion CW
10.30am	Holy Communion CW
10.30am	<i>Sunday Club</i> <i>Surprising voices</i> <i>Luke 3: 15 – 17, 21-22</i>

*(After our 10.30am Service today there is the
Mothers Union AGM - see news)*

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water
and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your
adopted children;
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.

NEWS

MOTHERS UNION – AGM TODAY

Our AGM is TODAY directly after the 10.30am Service. Any one interested in knowing more about the Mothers Union is welcome to stay.

CHANGE OF DATE

The Baptism originally planned for next Sunday will now take place on 17th February. The 20th January will revert to the usual Holy Communion Service CW

ANOTHER THANK YOU

A very big thank you from the refugees for all the great presents from the people of Send. Once again it has been astounding. Beth

BIBLE STUDY

We will resume our studies this month, meeting on Monday 14th and Monday 28th January at 9 Orchard Way. We meet from 2 to 4pm with refreshments to follow. If you would like to join us please let Sally know on 223725 or email harrison.sally@btinternet.com

SUNDAY CLUB

The Sunday Club programme is on the notice board in Church. If any child aged between 3 and 12 years of age would like to join us, please contact Sally on 223725 or email sundayclub@sendparishchurch.co.uk

Thank you but no more plastic lids or jam jars are needed.

However, we are still looking for coloured wools for our Mothering Sunday craft. The box should be back at the back of church today.

CHRISTINGLE: On Sunday 3rd February we will be celebrating Candlemas and holding our Christingle service at the 10.30 am service. We will be collecting donations for the work of The Children's Society at the service and if you would like to start saving up your loose coins please help

yourself to a collecting candle today. There are plenty at the back of church. We will be gathering to make the Christingles in the Church Room on Saturday 2nd February from 1 pm onwards. There will be refreshments once the work is done and everyone is welcome to join us, no age limits! If you wish to provide some sweets for the Christingles please purchase those which will go easily on a cocktail stick and let Sally have them BEFORE the 2nd so that she knows how many she needs to purchase. Thank you.

COFFEE SHOP

The Coffee Shop is open again on Monday 21st January 10-12pm, when the stall will be *Unwanted Gifts* and the proceeds will go to the Christian organisation Crisis Centre Ministries in Bristol who

have over 30 years experience of helping those with life-disrupting problems like homelessness and addiction, to enjoy healthy, independent lives. Any items for the stall can be given to Ann, Pat or Sylvia as usual.

CRAFT AND CHAT

This popular and now well-established group will meet again on **Wednesday 30th January 2019**. Why not join us? Bring along your craft – knitting, crochet, embroidery, painting, scrapbooking – anything goes! Enjoy a pleasant afternoon with other crafters – and it's free!! Just 50p for a cup of tea and a biscuit. There is also a play area for toddlers.

CONFIRMATION COURSE

Ready for another step of faith? Christened as a baby but not give it much further thought? Looking to feel more a part of the church? Curious about Christian faith? Maybe the time is right for you to consider confirmation.

The next confirmation course begins in January to prepare people for confirmation at Easter 2019. A special confirmation service takes place at Guildford Cathedral on Easter Eve, Saturday 20 April at 8.00pm. Both of our Bishops lead the service, which includes the baptism and

confirmation of people from different parishes around the diocese of Guildford.

The normal minimum age for confirmation candidates in the diocese is twelve years. Let me know if you might be interested and we can talk it through. If the Easter Even confirmation service is inconvenient, there are other confirmation services we can aim for in June and November. The arrangements for the confirmation preparation can be flexible. Tony

DONATIONS AND GIFTAID

We are used to being approached by many charitable organisations to sign up to GIFTAID to enable them to claim back tax on your donation. St. Mary's too can claim back tax (provided you pay it) on any sums you donate to church funds. Whilst a number of our regular donors do currently GIFTAID their donations we could do more. For instance, have you considered setting up a regular donation to our lovely church to help us to meet our running costs and our Parish Share each year? A regular donation by standing order means that you don't have to rustle up your collection money each service you attend and allows you to support our beautiful church especially when circumstances mean attending church every week is a challenge. For more information on how you can support us differently please speak with St. Mary's Vicar, Tony Shutt,

SEND GARDENING SOCIETY

If you are interested in gardening or gardens in general then have you considered joining our friendly group to learn more and meet with like minded people? Our next meeting is Wednesday 6th February when our guest Speaker Irene Vincent will give a talk on "Anti-bacterial Resistance". We can be reached by email at sendgardening soc@btinternet.com by phone 01483 225425 (Chairman – Robert Harding-Payne) or by coming to one of our meetings at the Church Rooms, Send, at 7.30pm. Our meetings are open to visitors and our membership is a broad spectrum from experienced to novice gardeners.