

# SWANAGE & STUDLAND TEAM MINISTRY

## St. Mary's Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025 Safeguarding Sunday



A very warm welcome to St. Mary's

8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION (said)	Revd Ian Bird
10.30am	CHORAL EUCHARIST	Revds Ian Bird & Jo Levasier
6.30pm	COME & SING EVENSONG	Canon Anthony Clegg

### 10.30am – Choral Eucharist

Processional:	4
Gradual:	372
Offertory:	201
Communion:	403
Post Communion:	108
Psalm:	98
Setting:	<i>Sumsion in F / Archer</i>
Motet: Irish Blessing	<i>Chilcott</i>
Voluntary: Te Deum	<i>Langlais</i>

### 6.30pm Come & Sing Evensong

Introit:	If Ye Love Me	<i>Tallis</i>
Responses:	<i>Ayleward</i>	
Psalm:	97	
Office Hymn:	165	
Canticles:	<i>Stanford in C</i>	
Anthem:	Ave Verum	<i>Byrd</i>
Hymns:	372, 472	

### Readings for 8am

Malachi 4:1-2a  
Luke 21:5-19

### Readings for 6.30pm

Daniel 6  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

### Readings for 10.30am

Proverbs 31:1-9  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
Mark 12:28-42

#### Churchwarden

Avril Harris  
Ray Davis

#### Director of Music

Simon Lole

(please contact via the Parish Office)

Visit our Team website [www.swanageteam.com](http://www.swanageteam.com)

### Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:

grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure;  
that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;

where he is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord,  
in this holy sacrament  
you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last  
to that fullness of life for which we long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

### Coming to the 10.30am Sunday service at St Mary's ....

If you come with children, we have activity packs for them if required - please talk to a Welcomer. Also please don't hesitate to make use of our children's area.

If you find the chancel steps difficult, please ask a Welcomer to arrange communion at your seat. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please let a Welcomer know. Everyone is welcome for refreshments after the service.

**Donations** – All donations by whatever payment method are gratefully received. We have a contactless 'donation station' near the West (main) Door with the facility for Gift Aid.

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## ST MARY'S DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Daily (Mon– Sat)	8.00am	Morning Prayer – All Welcome
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	All Things Bright & Beautiful service
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	T-Pot in the Rectory Classroom
	11.00am	Holy Communion in the chapel
	7.30pm	PCC Meeting in All Saints Church
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	9am-6pm	David Evans recording in church (closed to public)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	8.30am-5pm	David Evans recording in church (closed to public)
	5.45/6.30pm	Choir practice
	6.30pm	Friday Fun Club in the Rectory Classroom

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### SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Christ the King

<b>8.00am</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION (said)</b>	<i>Revd Dave Richards</i>
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>CHORAL EUCHARIST</b>	<i>Revd John Cooper</i>
<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>CHORAL EVENSONG</b>	<i>Revd Dave Richards</i>

# TEAM NOTICES

**Safeguarding Sunday** – TODAY 16<sup>th</sup> November is marked in the Church of England as Safeguarding Sunday. Revd Jo Levasier will be preaching, at St Mary's 10.30am service, about how important safeguarding is for us all.

**'Come & Sing' Choral Evensong** TODAY, 16<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church. Our guest this month is Martin Baker, formerly Westminster Cathedral. *Come and Sing* event is open to all singers. Arrival at St Mary's is for a 4.00pm rehearsal start. Cups of tea are provided between the rehearsal end and the service starts at 6.30pm. All Welcome. Music provided. Just come and sing!

**Please Note:** St Mary's Church will be closed on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November all day for recording purposes. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

**WSLTableTop Sale. 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 10 am in the Village Hall.** St Nicholas Church has 2 tables, a book stall and a bric a brac stall. We would love your donations! Just bring them to the Church Hall, either on a Sunday morning or on a Thursday morning. Thank you!

**Christmas Gifts for Local Children** - Next Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup> November), we will be taking a collection to buy presents for primary school children in the area whose families are in need and would otherwise would not receive presents this year. This is being organised by Churches Together in Swanage. Any contribution of any size would be very gratefully received. Many thanks in advance for your support.

**Come & Join Us at St Mary's** on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm for our Advent Carols Service: *Music & Readings for Advent Sunday*. With candles & light it's a wonderful way to start Advent.

**Christmas Cards** are on sale now in the three Swanage churches, £2 for a pack of 5 cards. Profits will be donated to Swanage parish funds.

**Community Coffee** Studland's Community Coffee Morning has moved back to the Church Hall for the winter season. Please join us on Thursday mornings from 10am to 11am – for coffee, cake and conversation. We'd love to see you there.

**The New Parish Website** has now launched, the website stays the same - [www.swanageteam.com](http://www.swanageteam.com). We are aware the website still requires tweaks, so we are keen to receive any feedback – please email Karon in the Parish Office ([swanage.team@btconnect.com](mailto:swanage.team@btconnect.com))

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## Team Contact details

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**Parish Administrator**

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# REFLECTION

## 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

**Anglican diversity at its best!** It seems that all 4 of our churches have different readings this Sunday. We have a choice of the Communion Lectionary, the Morning Prayer readings, special readings for Safeguarding Sunday, and a whole different theme at All Saints. The message today, then, is **unity in diversity!**

**St Paul knew all about unity in diversity.** He compared the Church to a body, with all sorts of different parts, all with different purposes and functions, but all working together in unity.

*“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.”* (1 Cor 12:12-13)

**We are all different**, and our Churches are different, but we share the same faith in Jesus, and are led and guided by the same Holy Spirit.

If, (God forbid), a management consultant were ever to review our Team, he might well conclude that we could all fit into St Mary’s on an average Sunday, and our other 3 churches could be sold as attractive development sites: (well, maybe not Studland...). If our churches were merely businesses that would make perfect economic, practical, efficient, sense. The truth is, however, that we are not businesses; **we are the Body of Christ**, doing His work, led by His Spirit, where he has placed us and called us.

**While St Paul would, I think, allow us to continue to express our diversity**, he might want to issue some good advice:

*“..... no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.”* (1 Corinthians 12:25-26)

Our Churches have different forms of worship and different ways of reaching out; that is wholly right, because we work in different contexts, have different mission opportunities, and are **willing to work as the Body of Christ together.**

*Revd David Richards*