

SWANAGE & STUDLAND TEAM MINISTRY

St. Mary's Sunday 12th July 2026 SEA SUNDAY



A very warm welcome to St. Mary's

8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION (said)	Revd Ian Bird
10.30am	CHORAL EUCHARIST	Revd Ian Bird
6.30pm	COME & SING EVENSONG	Revd Natalie Davies & Chris Campbell

10.30am – Choral Eucharist

Processional:	192
Gradual:	154(ii)
Offertory:	361
Communion:	255
Post Communion:	156(i)
Psalm:	119 v.105-112

Setting: *Rawsthorne/Stanford*

Motet: O Come Ye Servants
Tye

Eucharistic Prayer: E, pg 30

Voluntary: Prelude in C Minor
J S Bach

6.30pm Come & Sing Evensong

Introit: Holy Spirit	Tye
Responses:	<i>Ayleward</i>
Psalm:	60
Office Hymn:	122
Canticles: Short Service	Weelkes

Anthem: A Hymn in God's Love
Nardone

Hymns: 233, 533

Voluntary: Voluntary in G
Stanley

Readings for 8am & 10.30am

Genesis 25:19-end
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Churchwarden

Avril Harris
Cliff Sutton

Readings for 6.30pm

2 Samuel 7:18-end
Luke 19:41-20:8

Director of Music

Simon Lole

(please contact via the Parish Office)

Collect

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our
understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above
all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh us and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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.

St Mary's Pastoral Team We have a small team of pastoral visitors at St Mary's. If you or someone you know would like a visit, please contact Rector Ian on 01929 422916.

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 or you can use the QR Code.



ST MARY'S DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Daily (Mon– Sat)	8.00am	Morning Prayer – All Welcome
Tues 14 th	9.30am-12pm 2.30pm	Yr 6 Leavers Event All Things Bright & Beautiful service
Weds 15 th	10.00am 11.00am	T-Pot in the Rectory Classroom Holy Communion in the chapel
Fri 17 th	5.30/6.30pm	Children/Adults Choir practice

SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY 19th July – Trinity 7

8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION (said)	<i>Revd Dave Richards</i>
10.30am	CHORAL EUCHARIST	<i>Canon Jeremy Oakes</i>
6.30pm	CHORAL EVENSONG	<i>Revd Ian Bird</i>

WELCOME TO ST MARK'S CHURCH

Bell Street, Swanage, BH19 2SA



THIS SUNDAY: 12th July 2026 – Trinity 6

10am Holy Communion Rev Natalie & Rev Dave

Bible Theme: Genesis 25:19-34 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Followed by Refreshments in the Church Room

Gluten Free – please talk to the Welcomer if you'd like a gluten-free Communion Wafer. We also have gluten-free refreshments afterwards

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK:

- **CHURCH & GARDEN OPEN** 10am - 4pm Monday - Saturday
- Mon 13th: **Community Café** 10am - 12noon at Herston Village Hall with Citizens' Advice, Digital Dorset and the Community Pantry
- Mon 13th: **St Mark's Choir Rehearsal** 6:15 - 7pm Church Room
- Tue 14th: **Junior Singing Club** 3:30pm - 4:20pm Church Room – this is the last session until 8th September
- Wed 15th: **Prayer & Share** 10am - 10:45am in the Church Room
- Wed 15th: **Carnival Tent Training** 4pm at All Saints'
- Thurs 16th: **St Mark's School Summer Fair**: 2pm to 4:30pm, featuring family activities like face-painting, stalls and games, a raffle, and refreshments. Entry is free.

NEXT SUNDAY: 19th July 2026 – Trinity 7

10am Holy Communion Rev Dave Richards

Genesis 28:10-19a Romans 8:12-25 Matthew 13:24-30 & 36-43

Followed by Coffee and Cake in the Church Room

Pimm's and Hymns: 3:30pm at St Mark's. Enjoy afternoon tea with a glass of Pimm's (non-alcoholic version available) and sing some of your favourite hymns. If you'd like to choose a hymn please see Dave to collect a form. Admission Free – Collection for Christian Aid Venezuela Earthquake Appeal and St Mark's Church.

There is **NO** Service at St Mark's on Sunday 26th July. Everyone is welcome to attend the Churches Together Carnival Praise Service in the main marquee on Sandpit Field at 10:30am.

Rev Natalie's Farewell: Rev Natalie is doing a Farewell Tour of Churches in the Team before she heads to St George's Chapel in Windsor. The "Big" Farewell is on Sunday 9th August at 6:30pm at St Mary's Church. Natalie will be licensed in Windsor on 1st September. People from Swanage are welcome to attend – there are details of the Service in the Church Alive! magazine.

Churches Together at Swanage Carnival: If members of St Mark's are able to do a Session helping in the Churches Together Carnival Tent during Carnival Week, please see Dave for an Application Form. Dave will need to give you a reference and you'll need to attend a briefing session. The final briefing session is on Wednesday at 4pm at All Saints'. There will also be an opportunity to join in the Churches Together walking entry in the Carnival procession – meet at 2pm on Sunday 26th July at the Church Tent on the Carnival field. If possible, please wear a cowboy hat and a check shirt.

St Mark's Church BBQ: Sunday 2nd August. The Morning Service starts at **11am** and it's followed by the Church BBQ. To book your place please sign the list on the table by the font. Family and friends are welcome. Veggie and gluten-free options available. Please sign the 2nd sheet if you can provide a salad or a pudding. Drinks provided.

COLLECT (Special Prayer) for 6th Sunday after Trinity: *Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

St Mark's Church, Herston, is part of the Swanage & Studland Team
www.swanageteam.com



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Sunday 12 July 2026
Holy Communion 10.00am
Revd Tony Edmonds

**A very warm welcome to our
service this morning in
St Nicholas Church, Studland**

... and a special welcome if you are a visitor to our Church! This is a Holy Communion service, and you are most welcome to take Communion with us. If you need a gluten-free wafer, just ask. Or if you would prefer to have a blessing, bring this Notice Sheet with you to the communion rail.

Children are most welcome in our church. Do not worry if they are noisy or make a break for freedom: we are just delighted to have children in Church with us. There are toys in the two green boxes at the back of the Church - and everyone is welcome to use them.

We are always most appreciative of donations to help maintain both the Church here is Studland, and its ministry. If you would like to make a gift, we have a traditional plate for cash donations with Gift Aid envelopes available, as well as a contactless card payment station at the exit to the Church. If you would like to make a donation directly from your bank account or set up a regular donation by Standing Order, the Church's bank account is 'PCC of Studland, sort code 55-61-19, account number 69056935'. If you have any queries or questions, please contact the Treasurer, Eric Stobart at eric@thestobarts.co.uk.

After the service, we serve coffee, tea and other refreshments in the Church Hall. Please join us - and get to know us all a little better. For regular updates on Church activities, check www.achurchnearyou.com You can also follow us on Facebook. (St Nicholas Church Studland) – do give us a like or two!

For additional information about St Nicholas Church and its services, contact:

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SWANAGE & STUDLAND TEAM MINISTRY
St. Mary's – St. Mark's – All Saints' – St. Nicholas'
12 July 2026 – Trinity 6

Reading for this Sunday is Romans 8 v 1 - 11

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13 v 1 – 9, & 18 - 23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ Let anyone with ears listen!'

Collect:

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you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love towards you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
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which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
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TEAM NOTICES

This Sea Sunday if you wish to donate to the work of The Mission to Seafarers please go to their website: <https://www.missiontoseafarers.org/support-us>

'Come & Sing' Choral Evensong today, 12th July at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church. Our guest this month is Dr Peter Nardone, formerly Chelmsford and Worcester Cathedrals. *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 start at 6.30pm. All Welcome. Music provided. Just come and sing!

Venezuela - Christian Aid Appeal - In response to the devastation caused by the earthquakes, we are being asked to donate via the Emergency Appeal Collection Envelopes in church, or via the following link: [Donate to the Venezuela Earthquake Appeal - Christian Aid](#)

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All Things Bright and Beautiful takes place in St Mary's Church each Tuesday from 2.30pm – 3.30pm. A short service, which includes well known hymns, is followed by tea and cake. All are welcome.



On your own on a Wednesday? Or new to the area and would like to chat to others? **T-Pot is held** every Wednesday from 10.00am to 12.30pm in the Rectory Classroom. Come along for a cuppa and a chat.

Friday Fun Club – meets on Friday evenings 6.30-8pm, during term time, in the Rectory Classroom for school years 4-9 to enjoy food, games and chat. If you would like to join or need more information please contact Trish Clark at jandtclark@hotmail.com or Tel: 01929 425427.

Dates for your Diary:

Goodbye to Revd Natalie - Revd Natalie's last Sunday before she leaves for her new role as Succentor, St George's Chapel Windsor Castle and Chaplain, St George's School, will be 9th August. Hers and Joseph's final service with us will be Choral Evensong at St Mary's at 6.30pm followed by refreshments. She will also be presiding at 8am and 10.30am. Natalie will be working around the other churches in our team to take final services as follows- St Mark's at 10am on 12th July, All Saints at 8am & 10.30am on 19th July, and St Nicholas' Studland at 10am on 2nd August.

Natalie's installation in St George's Chapel will take place at Evensong at 5.15pm on 1st September. All are welcome. Parking is available in the town centre car parks. Please arrive to King Henry VIII gate by 5pm, the police officers on duty will let you know when the Chapel doors have opened (seating in the Quire is limited so early arrival is recommended to give the best chance of a view- the screen between Quire and Nave is annoyingly solid!).

REFLECTION

Matthew 13: 1-9 and 18-23 – The Parable of the Sower

The Parable of the Sower is one of Jesus' most memorable teachings and familiar to many of us. In this passage, Jesus describes a farmer scattering seed on different types of ground. Some seed falls on the path, some on rocky ground, some among thorns, and some on good soil. In the later verses of today's Gospel, Jesus explains this parable to his disciples. The seed represents the word of God, while the different soils represent the condition of people's hearts. This parable challenges us to reflect on how we receive and respond to God's message in our own lives. It encourages us to take a look at our lives regularly and determine whether we are continuing to be that good soil, being fruitful for God, or whether other things are creeping in that might mar or stunt our spiritual growth and fruitfulness as his disciples.

The good soil is the example we should strive to always be, with hearts that are open, faithful and obedient, and through applying God's word to our lives bear fruit through acts of kindness, love, forgiveness, and service to others. This fruit not only strengthens our own faith but also is a really positive witness to the power and presence of Christ those around us.

This Sunday is Sea Sunday, when the Church particularly prays for seafarers and those who work at sea. As an island kingdom, the sea is vital for our trade and life, so today we give thanks for those who work in often hazardous circumstances to bring us food, fish and goods and who often bear privations that most of us would find too hard to bear. Also, we remember and pray for chaplaincy services such as *The Mission to Seafarers*, who minister to seafarers in our ports and around the world, offering practical help and support to those far away from home for long periods. Those of us on land are called to be "good soil" by responding with compassion, supporting organisations that care for seafarers and remembering them in our prayers.

Every Blessing
Ian
Rector

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