

# SWANAGE & STUDLAND TEAM MINISTRY

## St. Mary's Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025 All Saints & All Souls



A very warm welcome to St. Mary's

8.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION (said)</b>	<i>Revd Ian Bird</i>
10.30am	<b>FAMILY EUCHARIST</b>	<i>Revd Ian Bird &amp; Revd Natalie Davies</i>
3.30pm	<b>A SERVICE IN WHICH TO REMEMBER</b>	<i>Revd Ian Bird &amp; Revd Dave Richards</i>

### **10.30am – Family Eucharist**

Processional: 138 (NHWS)  
Gradual: 26 (NHWS)  
Offertory: 76 (NHWS)  
Communion: 33 (NHWS)  
Post Communion: 59 (NHWS)

Setting: *Halls*

Motet: The Call  
*Vaughan Williams*

### **3.30pm A Service in Which to Remember**

*Special Order of Service*

### **Readings for 8am & 10.30am**

Ephesians 1:11-end  
Luke 6:20-31

#### **Churchwarden**

Avril Harris

#### **Director of Music**

Simon Lole

*(please contact via the Parish Office)*

## Collect

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our  
Lord:  
grant us so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly love  
you;  
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.

## Post Communion Prayer

God, the source of holiness  
and giver of all good things:  
may we who have shared at this table  
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth  
be welcomed with all your saints  
to the heavenly feast on the day of your  
kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## 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
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00pm	Remembrance Sunday Parade meeting
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	All Things Bright & Beautiful service
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am 11.00am	T-Pot in the Rectory Classroom Holy Communion in the chapel
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	5.45/6.30pm 6.30pm	Choir practice Friday Fun Club in the Rectory Classroom

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## SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday

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<b>10.30am</b>	<b>CHORAL EUCHARIST</b>	<i>Revd Ian Bird</i>
<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>TOWN REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE</b>	

*Revds Ian Bird & John Cooper*

# WELCOME TO ST MARK'S CHURCH

Bell Street, Swanage, BH19 2SA



## THIS SUNDAY: 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025 – All Saints

**10am Holy Communion:** Rev Dave Richards

*Bible Theme: Daniel 7.1-3,15-18 Ephesians 1.11-23 Luke 6.20-31*

***Followed by Coffee and Cake in the Church Room***

*Gluten/wheat-free: Please talk to the Welcomer if you'd like a gluten-free Communion Wafer. We also have gluten/wheat-free refreshments*

**3:30pm A Service in Which to Remember at St Mary's Church**

## DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

- **St. Mark's Church & Garden Open** 10am - 4pm, Mon - Sat
- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Community Café** 10am - 12noon at Herston Village Hall with Citizens Advice, help with technology and Community Pantry
- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Choir Rehearsal** 6:15pm - 7pm Church Room
- Tue 4<sup>th</sup>: **St Mark's Junior Singing Club:** Church Room 3:30pm - 4:20pm, for children in School years 3 to 6. FREE
- Tue 4<sup>th</sup>: **Fortnightly Bible Study:** Church Room 6:45pm - 8:30pm
- Wed 5<sup>th</sup>: **Prayer & Share:** 10am - 10:45am Church Room

## NEXT SUNDAY: 9<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday

**10am Holy Communion:** Rev Dave Richards

**with Act of Remembrance and 2 minutes Silence at 11am**

*Bible Theme: Isaiah 57:15-19 James 3:13-18 John 14:23-29*

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**2:30pm Town Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church**

**Thanks:** to Anne Roper for organising Wear It Pink! last Sunday morning and to people who helped decorate the Church Room and provided

refreshments. £230 was raised at the event and an anonymous donor has generously matched this, so £460 is on its way to the Breast Cancer Charity. Thank you everyone.

**Church Alive!** Please collect your copy of Church Alive! Magazine, and please feel free to take some copies for friends.

**St Mark's Church Committee:** Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm in the Church Room.

**Candles by the Sea (Swanage):** Lewis-Manning Hospice Care is organising an event on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 5:30pm - 7pm at St Mary's Church – an evening of light, love and remembrance. There will be music by St Mary's Church Choir and Swanage Town Band. Pre-order your candle at [lewis-manning.org.uk/candles](http://lewis-manning.org.uk/candles)

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**COLLECT (Special Prayer) for All Saints' Day:** Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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:** Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**Donations for the work of St Mark's Church are always welcome:**

There's a plate for cash donations on top of the font and a QR code on a poster on the wall near the font. If you've got the QR App on your mobile phone, you can click on the code, and it goes straight to the donations page. Thank you to everyone for your donations, however they're given.

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For the latest St Mark's Church News check out our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/StMarksHerston](http://www.facebook.com/StMarksHerston)

**St Mark's Website:** [www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Mark-Herston](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Mark-Herston)

***St Mark's Church, Herston, is part of the Swanage & Studland Team***



**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 10.00am  
Family Communion  
Revd Tony Edmonds**

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

This is a Family Communion Service and we hope that there will be lots of families with young children in our congregation today.

If you are a parent, or a grandparent, please do **not** worry if children are noisy or want to run around during the service: we are just delighted to have them 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 do not pass around a collection plate at St Nicholas' Church, but we are most appreciative of donations to help maintain both the Church and its ministry. We have a traditional plate for cash donations with Gift Aid envelopes available as well as a contactless card payments station at the exit to the Church. If you would like to make regular donations, please consider setting up a Standing Order with your bank: if this is of interest, please contact the Treasurer, Eric Stobart at [eric@thestobarts.co.uk](mailto:eric@thestobarts.co.uk). Later this year, we are looking to move to the Parish Giving Scheme which should streamline making donations on a regular basis.

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](http://www.achurchnearyou.com) You can also follow us on Facebook. (St Nicholas Church Studland) – do give us a like or two!

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# **St. Mary's – St. Mark's – All Saints' – St. Nicholas'** **2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025 – All Saints**

**Reading for this Sunday: Ephesians 1, 11-23**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 6, 20-31**

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

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# TEAM NOTICES

**A Service in Which to Remember: TODAY 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 3.30pm, St Mary's Church.** To all who have lost loved ones, both in the past few months, and longer ago, please join us in a service at All Souls tide to light candles and pray together. There will also be refreshments after the service.

**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))

**A Whirlwind Trip through the Bible** – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 9.30-11.30am at St Nicholas Church Hall, Studland. All welcome. For further details contact Jane Hawksworth 07880 832005 or Revd Tony Edmonds 07837 009147.

**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.

**Swanage Town Remembrance Service** – 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2.30pm at St Mary's Church. The parade will march from The Mowlem at 2pm and after the service in church, the parade will make its way to the War Memorial where the poppy wreaths will be laid at about 4.00pm. An Act of Remembrance will be held at the wreath-laying ceremony as well as during the church service.

**'Come & Sing' Choral Evensong** Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church.



**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 Things Bright and Beautiful is particularly suitable for carers and those for whom they care and is dementia friendly. Is there someone who you could bring along or encourage to come? All are welcome.

**T-Pot is held** every Wednesday from 10.00am to 12.30pm in the Rectory Classroom. So if you are on your own on a Wednesday or new to the area and would like to meet others, come along for a cuppa and a chat.



**Friday Fun Club** – meets on Friday evenings 6.30-8pm in the Rectory Classroom, during term time, for years 4-9 to enjoy food, games and chat. All are welcome.

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## Team Contact details

**Team Rector**

Revd Dr Ian Bird Tel: 01929 422916 (normal day off Friday)

**Team Vicar**

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**Parish Administrator**

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# REFLECTION

## Luke 6. 20-31; Ephesians 1. 11-end

We are now deep Autumn and the clocks went back last weekend. In the church year we have moved from the Harvest season into the season of Remembrance. Today we celebrate All Saints' Day 's, celebrating all the saints of the Church, known and unknown. Today we also remember those we love, but see no more in our *Service in which to Remember* taking place this afternoon. We share the inheritance of the saints in the Kingdom of God, where Christ reigns forever as king.

In our Gospel reading, Jesus sets out the values that characterise God's kingdom. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping and hated will experience a reversal of their circumstances, as will those who are rich, fed and held in high esteem. This is Luke's Beatitudes and they differ from the more famous Beatitudes recorded in Matthew's gospel. Many commentators believe that Jesus gave similar teaching on two separate occasions. But in both cases he taught kingdom values that he modelled for us in his own life and ministry.

In today's epistle reading, Paul reminds the Ephesians of what a glorious and eternal inheritance they have through Jesus Christ. He prays that God may give them a spirit of wisdom and revelation that they 'may know the hope to which he has called you... the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints'. Also he prays that they will experience God's power working among them, the power that raised Jesus from the dead and seated him far above all earthly authority.

As we are forgiven and loved by God, we members of the communion of saints. May we learn to live more according to God's kingdom values and see more of God's power at work in our lives.

Every blessing  
Ian  
Rector