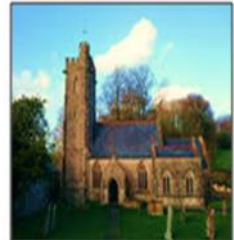


News News

April 17th , 2022



**Benefice of St Mary's Chard, Combe St Nicholas, Wambrook
and Whitestaunton**

Welcome to our Benefice News
Happy Easter Everyone

Readings :

Acts 10: 34 –43 / John 20:1-8

Benefice Office Hours this week:

The office will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday from 9am to 12pm.
(If I am away from my desk please look in the church or leave a message on 01460 67867)

Please send your prayer requests and any notices to the benefice office. Post, or email the office@stmaryschard.org.uk or call Anne during office hours (01460 67867). The deadline is Tuesday each week for the following Sunday.



Whitestaunton Church

Summer Afternoon Music Concert And Cream Tea



Join us for an afternoon of delightful instrumental music (cello, piano and trumpet) and song followed by a delicious cream tea.

3pm Saturday 18 June 2022
Whitestaunton Church
TA203DL

Tickets £8.00 (including concert and cream tea) Children under 12 free

Tickets available from Barrons of Chard
2 Holyrood Street, Chard

or from Jane Harris: 01460239113 or
janeharris334@gmail.com
Also available on the door.

There will be a raffle with donations going to The Church Fabric Fund.

What's happening in St Mary's Chard?

Late Spring Flower Festival - St Mary's Chard May 21 and 22

Have you got anything we can use in the Fawcus Chapel exhibition of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.? E.G. Photographs of the Queen's coronation, bunting (red, white, blue, silver) (please talk to Isabel Loader) Can you make a crown to decorate the chapel? Bakers and helpers needed in the kitchen (please speak with Rita Bagg). Raffle prizes also required and would you like to be part of the flower festival. Please see Kath Lee if interested.

Morning Prayer on Zoom

Each Tuesday we gather on zoom at 9.00am to share in Morning Prayer, everyone is welcome to join us, if you would like the link please contact the office or one of the clergy.

Chard Churches Together Holiday Club

Holiday Club: The theme is 'Superheroes' which Tom Tame will lead, but there are not enough helpers committed to this yet. There are roles for all ages and abilities to help with catering, drama, craft, and assisting group leaders. The event will take place from 9.30am to 1.30pm and helpers will need to attend from 9am to 2pm. This is an opportunity to share the Gospel and there will be a meeting at St. Mary's on 3rd May at 6pm when everyone who is interested can come to find out how they can help.

St Mary's Christian Meditation Group

Every Thursday at 7pm St Mary's Christian Meditation Group meets in St Mary's Church. All are welcome. Please contact John Rollings for more details 07485 005661

Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll is due to be revised. If you are not currently on it, but would like to be included, please collect a form from the notice board in church and return it to the parish office, a churchwarden or myself, Marion Smith, by Sunday 1st May.

Thank you

Jazz Night, Friday 13th May 2022 Enjoy an evening of Trad Jazz with the Pedigree Jazz Band at St Mary's, hosted by the Rotary Club of Chard. Tickets are available at £15 each, from Peter Stefanovic, Chris Bagg or Robin Williams. Tickets are also available at Barron's and Bite to Eat. Refreshments, tea and coffee will be provided on the night, but you will need to bring your own drinks. All proceeds to charity

Please pray:

For those who are unwell:

Iris C, Tony C, Clive S, Rowan, Joan S, and all those at home with or recovering from Covid.

We remember those who have died and their families

Sylvia B,



**Come and Join us at
St Mary's Church, Chard
For A Late Spring Flower
Festival
CELEBRATION**



**Saturday and Sunday
21st and 22nd May 2022**

**An opportunity to take part in a fabulous, floral festival
celebrating our community and its organizations as well as paying
tribute to the Queen for her Platinum Jubilee**

Proceeds to be shared between the church and the charity BARNARDOS

Upcoming Services

Chard

17th April Easter Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion

24th April 10am Breakfast Church with Holy Communion

Across the villages

17th April Easter Sunday

Wambrook 9.15 am Holy Communion

Whitestaunton 9.15am Holy Communion

Combe 10.30am Holy Communion

24th April 10am Breakfast Church with Holy Communion (Chard)

More details about Services can be found on the website at

<https://stmaryschard.org.uk/>

POP UP for UKRAINE
Saturday 30 April 2022

10 am - 1 pm

**A COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER VIA
POP UP STALLS IN AND AROUND CHARD**

*Find bargains, competitions, games, crafts and much more
For stall locator map, available online from **25 April**, see
www.forefront.org.uk or*

Forefront Community Church Facebook page

*Be a stallholder - fundraise as a household,
neighbourhood, club, group or business*

*For details and to register by deadline **22 April**, contact
office@forefront.org.uk or **01460 66080***

*Proceeds for the people of Ukraine will be donated to
WORLD VISION, DEC member, worldvision.org.uk*

World Vision
Hope and a future for all children



IS IT A BIRD? IS IT A PLANE?

COMING TO CHARD AUGUST 2022...



Holiday Club 01-05 August 2022

Grab your capes and take off on an EPIC week of games, crafts, jokes, songs and much much more!



Want to be involved? Email
tomtame7@gmail.com

Volunteers are able to join the team as an adult team member or from school years 6-13 as a young helper. No experience necessary!

Information on how to book children spaces coming soon...



Save the date July 2nd 2022

Abseil St Mary's Church Tower



For more information and to book your place
contact the parish office by phone
01460 67867 or email
office@stmaryscharde.org.uk

If you can help with the abseil event (we are planning lots of activities that day) please contact Anne in the office or let Patricia or Terry know. .

More details coming soon.