

SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST MARY'S TICEHURST

8am Holy Communion every Sunday

In traditional language, from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

No hymns.

11am Parish Communion – 1st Sunday

In contemporary language with choir and hymns.

11am Morning Prayer – 2nd Sunday

In traditional language from the BCP, with choir and hymns.

9.15am Breakfast Church (All-Age) – 3rd Sunday

"Come and have breakfast" said Jesus (John 21.12). In St Mary's Room. Then a time to take in something to think about! Donations.

11am Parish Communion – 3rd Sunday

In contemporary language with choir and hymns.

11am Morning Praise (All-Age) – 4th Sunday

A service for everyone with worship band, youth choir, hymns and a talk.

6.30pm Evensong (BCP) – 4th Sundays as advertised.

With choir and hymns. Normally March to Oct, excl Sept.

11am 5th Sunday Service as advertised.

Coffee, tea etc are available after our 11am services.

Baptisms – by arrangement with the Vicar.

Midweek communion is held at 10 a.m. in St Mary's Room on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

(Common Worship Order One in traditional language).

And at 11am on the 2nd Weds of the month in Newington Court, and 4th Weds of the month at Cross Lane House.

Contact us

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The Parish Administrator, Mrs Di Freeman, is in the Parish Office at the Vicarage on the mornings of Mon, Tues, Thurs from 9am to 11.30am. 01580 200316. Email: admin@ticehurstandflimwell.church

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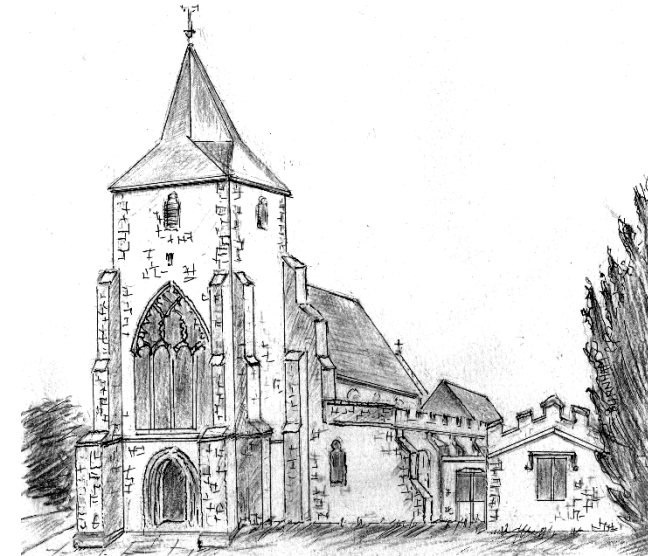
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St Mary's Room Facilities: Mrs Diane Procter 01580 388467

WELCOME

to

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, TICEHURST



We welcome everyone to our Church.

We strive to bring people together, to help each other, to work together in the community, and to find friendship and peace. We aim to promote spiritual wellbeing and caring in the Parish through the power of God.

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A word of welcome from all at St Mary's



St Mary's Church has welcomed people to worship God for seven centuries and we extend a very warm welcome to you.

At St Mary's we provide a wide variety of services and activities, and this leaflet aims to give you an idea of all the opportunities which we offer in which to worship God, serve others and grow in Christian faith.

We strive to be a church that listens and learns from each other and we would welcome your contribution.

We believe that faith in Jesus Christ is as significant and relevant today as it has always been.

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CHURCH BRASSES

There is a range of brasses and marbles in the Church celebrating the lives of local people from times past.

Visit the Church to see these historical works of art. Our group of volunteer brass cleaners would welcome help in keeping these in good condition. Contact Muriel White 01580 200606 for more information.

SPECIAL EVENTS – Exhibitions, etc.

We run a number of special events through the year, both for members of our congregation and for the community. These events are publicized on our website, in the local *News and Views* village magazine, on our Church noticeboards and in the local shops. Come and join us!

Examples of events we have recently put on are:

- Concerts [Choirs, Classical Music, Jazz, Gospel]
- Special Summer events, e.g. Rogation Walk & Lunch, Vicarage Garden Party
- Painting and Sculpture Exhibitions from local artists local photographs, wedding dresses, etc.
- Fundraising coffee mornings, tea afternoons and a Christmas Bazaar in the Village Hall
- The Pet Service!

ST MARY'S ROOM HIRE

There is an excellent new meeting room attached to the Church, which is warm and friendly and has kitchen, toilet and baby changing facilities.

If you wish to book this room for a function, please contact Di Freeman in the Church Office on 01580 200316 admin@ticehurstandflimwell.church or Diane Procter on 01580 388467.

BELL RINGING

We have six bells in St Mary's Church, cast as a complete set at Whitechapel Foundry in London.

The bells are rung regularly at 11 am Sunday services, and for weddings and funerals as arranged. Bell ringing practice takes place every Monday evening at 7.45 p.m. and for other special events by arrangement.

We have an active group of bell ringers but are always looking for new people to join us. If you would like to learn how to ring a church bell just turn up to our regular Monday evening practices.

For more information, contact Andrew Cook on 01580 200594

CHURCH CHOIRS

We are fortunate to have a good choir with a range of female voices who sing hymns, anthems and other classical works. We sing at 11am Sunday services, weddings [by arrangement], and other special events, for example the annual Chichester or Canterbury RSCM Festival Evensongs. We are a happy group who enjoy singing and supporting other churches on occasion. We welcome new members and have male voices joining us for Christmas. If you would like to join please just drop in to our 6.30pm practice in the Church on Fridays or contact Jacky Ward on 01580 201340.

We also have a 'Youth Choir' of 7 yr olds upwards who sing in a more contemporary style at our monthly 11am Morning Praise. Contact Jane Pentecost-Wild on 07976 790429.

FLOWER ARRANGING

We have an enthusiastic team of volunteer flower arrangers. If you would like to help in arranging flowers in the Church, please contact Sally Warlow on 01580 201436. No experience necessary.

There is a wide range of ACTIVITIES and Services for everyone in our community.

- Regular services
- Holy Days and special Festival events
- Marriages, Blessings and Baptisms
- Funerals
- Home visiting
- Creation Care
- Children's events (incl. Breakfast Church)
- Special events – concerts, exhibitions, etc.,
- Home groups
- Prayer support
- Fellowship meetings
- Bell ringing
- Church choirs
- Flower arranging
- Brass cleaning
- St Mary's Meeting Room hire

REGULAR SERVICES

We have regular services on Sundays and Wednesdays, in a range of styles from All-Age services to traditional language services and Holy Communion. Tea and coffee are served after our 11am services and we seek to welcome people into a friendly environment. *[See the last page of this leaflet.]*

HOLY DAYS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Join us in celebrating the special days through the year:

- Easter, Rogation, Harvest Festival with Lunch.
- Remembrance Day service, starting at the War Memorial in the village square.
- Advent & Christmas has a range of special services and events including the Carol Service, Christingle on Christmas Eve and Midnight Communion.

MARRIAGES, BLESSINGS & BAPTISMS

We hold these as requested throughout the year. For these celebrations, St Mary's offers beautiful surroundings, flower arrangements, our excellent choir, bell ringers and a traditional organ.

It is a joy to celebrate these events at our Church and we hope to make these days very special in the sight of God.

FUNERALS

We can be counted on to help you in your time of need, whether this be advice, counselling to help cope with the bereavement of a loved one, or the practicalities of organising a funeral service and burial.

HOME VISITING

We try to care for all members of our community and want to make you feel that you are amongst friends. If you would like to see a minister, or have problems getting to Church, please phone the number given at the back of this leaflet.

We can offer help such as a home visit from a member of our Church: to check that you are keeping well (especially after sickness) or to talk to about household problems or urgent basic shopping with which we may be able to help.

CREATION CARE

As a church we believe that the Gospel of Jesus Christ brings a message of hope and good news as much for God's earth as for its peoples. We are a Fairtrade Church, serving and promoting the use of Fairtrade goods, and we have an active Eco Church Working Group, made up of people with a passion for environmental and related justice issues. There are a range of different areas that the group are looking at, and so if you have an interest in the environment there is likely to be something of interest to you if you would like to get involved.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Children are always welcome to our Church, with regular 'All-Age' services. We have recently started up a monthly 9.15am Breakfast Church for all ages (see the back page).

We have close ties with Ticehurst & Flimwell C. of E. Primary School, both in policy-making and by taking assemblies. These include 'Open the Book' assemblies (see www.openthebook.net) led by our church team.

A Summer Holiday Club day is held for Primary School age children (on 1st August in 2018 and 2019).

BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER MEETINGS

There are a number of small groups which get together to study the bible, to hold prayers, and for fellowship. The most regular prayer group is on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. We have in the last few years run the Bible Society's Bible Course and the Lent Study Courses offered by our Diocese (Chichester). There are usually morning and evening sessions of these.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

The Fellowship of St Mary's and St Augustine's is a friendly group that meets for tea and, occasionally, to hear a visiting speaker, either at Newington Court, or in St Mary's Room at the Church at 2.30 p.m. on the first Thursday afternoon of most months (January & August excluded). Come along and join us!