



Celebrating the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity and The Season of Creation – “To hope and act with Creation” Weekly update Sunday 1st September 2024

Verse of the Week

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Psalm 8. 3-4

Collect for Today!

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Bible Readings

This week's bible readings; Psalm 8 and Luke 6:1-5

Next week's bible readings for the 8th September: Psalm 24 and Luke 12:32-34

Services in the Parish this week beginning Sunday 1st September 2024



8.00am Holy Communion (BCP), Lady St Mary, Wareham

9.00am Breakfast Church, Sandford St Martin's

10.00am Communion service with Angel Voices and Baptism, Lady St Mary, Wareham

10.30am Morning Worship, Sandford St Martin's

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP), St Nicholas, Arne

Wednesday 4th September 11.00am Holy Communion (BCP), St Martin-on-the-Walls

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What is happening in the Parish?

Going Deeper: Everyone welcome!

Do you want to deepen your faith, learn alongside others, and be encouraged in following Jesus Christ? If so, you are warmly invited to Going Deeper:

6pm Sunday 8th September starting with refreshments

Sandford St Martin's Church

This month: Creation-themed Contemplative Worship with the Reverend Hilary Bond



Wednesday 11th September at 6pm at Lady St Mary Church Lecture / Recital on the organ music of Edward Elgar

Given by Andrew Millington. Formerly Director of Music, Exeter Cathedral.

Free entry, retiring collection.

Promoted by Dorset Association of Organists.

Calling all cyclists and walkers - Each year, on the second Saturday of September, the Dorset Historic Churches Trust (DHCT) holds a sponsored **Ride and Stride**. It is an opportunity to get on our bikes and cycle, or walk, between our churches, raising money as we do so. This helps raise money for the parish churches of the county as well as the Trust. This year, we are applying for a grant from DHCT towards repairs to the roof at St Martin on the Walls church. In order to qualify for this, we agree to support the work of the Trust and help raise some funds for it. **The date for your diaries is Saturday 14th September. Contact the Parish Office Tel: 550905.** At East Holme, the church will be open, serving Tea and coffee and "bacon butties" to help you along your way.



Ladies That Lunch and Pray: The next meeting will be on Tuesday 17th September 2024. Please bring a sandwich, and drinks will be provided, between 12.00 - 14.00pm. For the venue and any further information or RSVP please contact Elaine Orchard, Margaret Harris, or Debs at the Parish office Tel: 01929 550905 or parish.office@warehamchurches.org.uk

John Froud in Concert "A pilgrimage of Thankfulness" 7pm Wednesday 18th September at The Priory church of Lady St Mary, Wareham

John Froud is an accomplished singer/songwriter, speaker and performer, and former teacher, with many years experience to his name. The founder and director of the Zephaniah Trust, he has recorded twelve studio albums and performs concert sets to adults as well as praise party material to children.





Prayer Focus:

We give thanks to God for

- The gift of creation, revealing God's majesty, mystery, and limitless love.
- Our churchyards and the wildlife in them
- Those who work in the environmental and conservation sectors, researching,

protecting, and caring for our world.

We pray to God for:

- All who campaign for climate justice, locally and globally, that their work may make a positive difference.
- The strengthening of the Fairtrade movement; that we may do our part in

supporting more ethical trade and food production.

- Local farmers and land owners, who shape and manage the landscapes we enjoy.

Those preparing for baptism:

Teddy Allen

at Lady St Mary church, 1st September

Antionette and Jessica Jane

at Sandford Breakfast Church, 8th September

Those asking for prayer:

Ed Taylor, Bob Huskinson, Di Hole, Mary Barnes

And those we continue to pray for:

Jane Patterson, John Cleaton, Terry Holloway, Mary Binks, Anne Mills

Those who have died recently and those who mourn:

June Cromack Funeral Thursday 5th September 12 noon Lady St Mary church

Patricia Snapes Funeral Friday 6th September 2pm Lady St Mary church

Ann Selby Memorial and Thanksgiving service Friday 13th September 2pm
Lady St Mary church

Our Mission Prayer: Heavenly Father please refresh the Taylor family in San Pedro, Dominican Republic, after the amazing Summer of outreach that they have had. Thank you for so much blessing especially for the equipping of Bible School teachers to train a whole new generation of young people. **Amen**

Gathering for Prayer:

Parish Prayer Meetings – Take place in person in one of our homes every Tuesday at 7.30 pm, except for the 3rd week of each month when we will be in Sandford St Martin's Church on the Wednesday*. Contact Debs at the Parish Office Tel: 550905 for the venue. All are welcome to join us to pray. Please see dates below:

Month	Meetings in person on Tuesdays	3 rd Wednesday Sandford Prayer*
September	3 rd , 10 th and 24 th	18 th

Prayers for Peace - All are welcome to join in prayer, in Lady St Mary Church, **on Tuesdays, and Fridays, at 5pm.** A time to pause and pray for local and global needs.



® **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT** - This year is from Sept 9th - 22nd and it is also the 30th anniversary of the Fairtrade Mark, the guarantee that producers have received a fair wage, work in good conditions and receive a 10% premium for their community. The Wareham Area Fairtrade Group will be having a table at the Saturday Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall on Sept 21st to celebrate this, explain more about the Fairtrade journey and how Wareham supports it. There will also be examples of some of the Fairtrade items you can buy in local shops. Do come along!

GREEN TIP – SEQUINS AND GLITTER - Resist the temptation to splash out on sequins (they're made from PVC); instead use biodegradable substitutes made from plant-based plastics which will compost. You can buy them if you are making clothes or for crafting from Hobbycraft for example.



Readings for Daily Morning Prayer:

***Indicates Festival**

	Psalm (s)	Old Testament	New Testament
Monday 2nd September	1	1 Kings 1:5-31	Acts 13:13-43
Tuesday 3rd September	5	1 Kings 1:32-2:4:2:10-12	Acts 13:44-14:7
Wednesday 4th September	119:1-32	1 Kings 3	Acts 14:8-end
Thursday 5th September	15	1 Kings 4:29-5:12	Acts 15:1-21
Friday 6th September	19	1 Kings 6:1, 11-28	Acts 15:22-35
Saturday 7th September	23	1 Kings 8:1-30	Acts 15:36-16:5

Parish Office opening times - The Parish Office will now be open to answer all face-to-face enquiries, telephone and email enquiries **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday** 9am to 1pm. At all other times enquiries and queries can be made by email and they will be dealt with as soon as possible.



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