

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Memorial Service – Sunday 26th October, 4pm at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster. A quiet reflective hour, to light a candle and remember those we love, but see no more. Please PRINT the name of your loved one to be read out on the sign up sheet or when you arrive.

Christmas is coming, this year the homeless appeal is slightly different. The Lovely Ladies of Angmering are concentrating on those on the street. I am hoping to fill goody bags for all in very basic temporary accommodation. To spread some Christmas cheer. Required: Small tins of Ham, Corn Beef, salmon, tuna, fruit, cream or custard. Jar of pickles, Bar of chocolate or packet of sweets, Packet of nuts or special biscuits and Christmas crackers. With sincere thanks for all your contributions, Viv. (There will be a spare list in church.)

Still urgently required Church secretary please see Viv or Lisa if this role is something you would be able to take on, assisting in the smooth running of St. Mary Magdalene, Lyminster.

Poor St Clares at Crossbush Taize Service 7pm last Friday of each Month and Taize Service 6pm first Sunday of the month at United Reform/ Trinity Church High Street Littlehampton.

St Mary Magdalene regular service pattern at the moment

1st Sunday of the month	All together communion 4pm
2nd Sunday	Communion 11am
3rd Sunday	All together 9.30am
4th Sunday	BCP Communion 8.30 am
	Communion 11am
5th Sunday	Communion 11am

PRAYER LIST

Miriam, Carol Hatton's good friend Lynne Rule-Peters, Sue Arthur, Tina Ward, Richard and his Father.

Please email names for prayer list to wickinformation@gmail.com



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Our God is Generous & calls us to be generous

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster and to our church building which has been a place of worship for nearly 1,000 years. If you are visiting, or this is your first time here, please make yourself known to one of the welcomers.

We hope that you feel welcome and able to share in the good news of Jesus our risen Lord and Saviour. Please contact Lisa, priest in charge of St. Mary Magdalene and All Saints Wick, Churchwarden or welcomers if you'd like to, and please stay to get to know us better after the service. This week's service will be led by Revd. Lisa Fairman-Brown.

ALL ENQUIRIES

Our Clergy

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HYMN NUMBERS WILL BE ON THE BOARD

COLLECT for Harvest Thanksgiving

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Nourishing Hope, One Gift at a Time

Harvest is a season of giving and sharing, a time when communities come together to care for one another. As well as donations going to Littlehampton Foodbank, our donations will also go to Turning Tides who in their own words say,

‘This spirit of generosity is at the heart of our work. Every tin, every packet, every thoughtful donation we receive goes directly to the people who need it most: those experiencing homelessness across West Sussex.

Our food donations go straight to our Community Hubs, where they make a real and immediate difference. They provide hot breakfasts and food parcels for people facing the hardship of homelessness, provide breakfast, lunch or dinner in our high and low support housing and help clients moving into their own rented accommodation start their new chapter with dignity. For many of our clients, these meals are a lifeline, the difference between going hungry or staying nourished and healthy.

It’s often the little things that make the biggest difference. Pot noodles and “just add hot water” meals are a lifeline for some of our clients. Many people in temporary accommodation only have access to a kettle, so these meals mean they can still have something warm and filling. Some kind local cafés even provide hot water free of charge, allowing those sleeping rough to prepare a hot meal when they might otherwise go without.

We also ask for tinned items with ring-pull lids, as these are also vital for homeless and people in temporary accommodation who don’t have access to a tin opener. A can of tuna or baked beans, or even macaroni cheese in a tin, can provide much-needed protein and nutrition.

The reality is stark

Research shows that people experiencing homelessness in England are far more likely to suffer poor health due to malnutrition, limited access to fresh food, and long periods of going without meals. Something as simple as regular access to food can improve not only physical health but also resilience, wellbeing and hope for the future.

Last year, Turning Tides supported over 1,000 people and this number is sadly rising. The cost-of- living crisis is putting the squeeze on all of us, but for people with no money and no safe place to call home, the struggle to stay fed and hydrated is overwhelming. Currently our stocks are lower than they have ever been. Your donations this Harvest help us ensure that no one is left without the basic nourishment they need to survive, recover and rebuild their lives.

BIBLE READINGS

Psalms 92

1 It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High, 2 proclaiming your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night, 3 to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp. 4 For you make me glad by your deeds, Lord; I sing for joy at what your hands have done. 5 How great are your works, Lord, how profound your thoughts! 6 Senseless people do not know, fools do not understand, 7 that though the wicked spring up like grass and all evildoers flourish, they will be destroyed for ever. 8 But you, Lord, are for ever exalted. 9 For surely your enemies, Lord, surely your enemies will perish; all evildoers will be scattered. 10 You have exalted my horn like that of a wild ox; fine oils have been poured on me. 11 My eyes have seen the defeat of my adversaries; my ears have heard the rout of my wicked foes. 12 The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; 13 planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God. 14 They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green, 15 proclaiming, ‘The Lord is upright; he is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in him.’

Galatians 5:13–26

13 You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. 14 For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' 15 If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. 16 So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17 For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19 The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; 20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions 21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

John 15:1–17

1 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. 2 He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. 3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. 4 Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. 5 'I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. 7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. 9 'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. 10 If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's

commands and remain in his love. 11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 12 My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. 17 This is my command: love each other.

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Next week's service (19.10.25) is an All Together service at 9.30am.

The Bible Course new edition: we are running this for the beneficence of All Saints, Wick & St. Mary Magdalene, Lyminster, starting Wednesday 22 October, 7pm. Discover how Bible characters, stories, and themes are connected, from Genesis to Revelation. Eight sessions with films, course Guidebook and inspiring personal stories. Whether you are new to the Bible, familiar with many of the Sunday readings, you love the Bible or don't know where to begin, we would love you to join us. The course runs for eight weeks: 22, 29 October, 5, 12, 26 November, 3 December, 7 & 14 January. The course is free but the course handbook is recommended (£10.00). To book your place, please contact Gill – gillquigley9@gmail.com

Next Men's Ministry meeting Saturday 25 October at All Saints small hall 9 – 10.30 am. Andrew Morgan-Watts speaker. "Living with Dementia". Breakfast Roll, Tea & Coffee on arrival £5 donation suggested. For any information please contact Nigel Charman.

BHOS – Afternoon of well-known and much loved songs from the musicals Sung by the choir of Brighton and Hove Operatic Society. Sunday 16 November, 3pm, St Mary Magdalene Church Lyminster. Refreshments during interval. Tickets £5 – available from Viv Prior in Church, Carol Hatton 07710 596095 or on the door.