



www.st-matthias-church.org Sunday 23 & 30 August 2015

Welcome!

We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit. Please do join us for refreshments in the hall after the 10.30am service.

Sunday 23 August	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Morning Worship
10.30am	Prayzone
During the Week	
Tues 25	9am Morning Prayer
Wed 26	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge
Sunday 30 August	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Summer Praise
During the Week	
Tues 1	9am Morning Prayer
Wed 2	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge
	12pm Josiah Lunch in the Hall
	7-8pm Prayer Meeting in the Rose Price room
Thurs 3	10.30-11.30am Prayer Meeting in the Ark

Collect

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us : remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

What's On & News

A personal message from Charlie and Janie We would like to thank everybody who contributed to making our wedding day so special. The flowers, the cream tea, the worship music, the cake and the love shown meant the world to us. The support of our church family has been an integral part of making our day perfect. We would also like to thank everyone who attended our celebration, helping to make it a beautiful, perfect day. Thank you. Charlie and Janie

Tues 25 Aug The St Matthias parents and toddlers group are meeting at Cockington Court at about 10.30-11am for fun and a picnic. All welcome! Even if the weather is wet they will still be meeting for a coffee in the café. See you there!

Wed 26 Aug 9am Holy Communion We are pleased to have Charles Doidge with us at the 9am Holy Communion service. We are also pleased to welcome Steve James (a friend of Bernard and Rosemary Johnson). Steve became a Christian in jail and is involved in teaching courses such as Christianity Explored. He is the Director of Prison Ministry at Christianity Explored. He is happy to speak to us and to tell us more. Even if you do not usually attend the Wednesday Holy Communion, please do feel free to come to this special service.

Summer Praise 30 August @ 10.30am With a theme of 'Salt and Light' this will be a service of favourite hymns and songs introduced by people from St Matt's church family.

HUGE THANKS from Colin and Barbara for all the kind wishes, cards, pressies, lunches, tea and cake, evening meals and most of all prayers lavished upon us for our move to Dorset. We will miss our St Matthias family greatly, you really are very special but please keep in touch. Our new address is: 51 Mudeford Lane, Mudeford, Dorset, BH23 3HN and not too far to visit! We will continue to remember you fondly with love and prayers. Barbara and Colin Cook



Ordination of Paul Barton Saturday 26 September at 3pm at St Matthias Church.

Choir rehearsals - advance notice: 17 & 24 Sept, 1 Oct, 8 Oct for Paul's ordination service on 26 Sept and Harvest on 11 Oct. Note extra date – 17 Sept.

Wondering what life is all about? Wanting to find out more about the Christian

faith? We're running two courses exploring the Christian faith...In early October and November, the 6 session course 'START!' and beginning January 2016, the more in-depth 'Alpha' course runs again





for 8 weeks. To find out more, please email or phone the office (details at end of this notice sheet) or have a look at <u>www.st-matthias-church.org</u>

Church Cleaning We are just putting together the next cleaning rota for the church. Since Barbara and Colin are leaving we have vacancies – male or female. This involves working with a team once every six weeks. If you can help please let the office know. Thank you.

Spiritual MOT How did you get on? If you missed the information which was in a recent notice sheet, please pick up a copy from the back of church (yellow leaflet).

Some more dates for your diary:

Sat 12 Sept Men's Breakfast Tues 15 Sept Messy Church Sun 11 Oct Harvest Lunch Sat 31 Oct Jollyween Sat 21 Nov Coach trip to Cardiff

A Little Way of Prayer

Let us, by an act of the will place ourselves in the presence of our Divine Lord, and with an act of faith ask that He will empty us of self and of ALL desire save that His Most Blessed Will may be done, and that it may illumine our hearts and minds. We can then gather together all those for whom our prayers have been asked, and hold them silently up to Him, making no special request - neither asking or beseeching - but just resting, with them, IN Him, desiring nothing but that Our Lord may be glorified in them.

In this most simple way of approach He does make known His Most Blessed Will for us. "For so He giveth Himself to His beloved in quietness."

(By Dorothy Kerin, Church of Christ the Healer, Burrswood, Kent)

Creche, Toilets, Baby Changing Facilities

At 10.30 communion services there is a staffed crèche in the Lounge downstairs, but if you wish to stay in the service, toys are available at the back of the church. Baby changing facilities are available in both toilets on the lower ground floor. There is a disabled access toilet at this level on your left as you exit church.

Contacting the Church

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