

# Welcome to St Mary's

Pewsheets for weeks commencing *1 August—5 September 2021 inclusive*



The church is open daily M-F 9.45am-5pm; Sat 10am-5pm; Sun 11am-5pm

*Updates during the Vacancy—there will be a page on St Mary's website*

## Services

<b>Sunday, 1 August</b> <i>Ninth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>8am BCP Holy Communion</b> <i>Readings: Exodus 16:2-4; 9-15; John 6:24-35</i> <b>10am Parish Eucharist</b> The 10am service is now regularly livestreamed from St Mary's. If you are viewing the service at home, please log on as usual for the Zoom service. The service is not being recorded.
<b>Sunday, 8 August</b> <i>Tenth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>8am BCP Holy Communion</b> <i>Readings: 1 Kings 19:4-8; John 6:35; 41-51</i> <b>10am Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Sunday, 15 August</b> <i>Eleventh Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>8am BCP Holy Communion</b> <i>Readings: Proverbs 9:1-6; John 6:51-58</i> <b>10am Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Sunday, 22 August</b> <i>Twelfth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>8am BCP Holy Communion</b> <i>Readings: Joshua 24:1-2a; 14-18; John 6:56-69</i> <b>10am Together with God</b>
<b>Sunday, 29 August</b> <i>Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>8am BCP Holy Communion</b> <i>Readings: Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 6-9; Mark 7:1-8; 14-15; 21-23</i> <b>10am Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Sunday, 5 September</b> <i>Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>8am BCP Holy Communion</b> <i>Readings: Isaiah 35:4-7a; Mark 7:24-37</i> <b>10am Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Also Thursdays</b> <b>Fridays</b>	<b>10am Holy Communion</b> <b>6pm Evening Prayer</b>

## Covid restrictions in church

Following consultation with the PCC we have agreed that the following restrictions will operate in church until the next government review which is set for August 16th but may come sooner.

- Please continue to use the sign in sheet or QR code on entering church.
- Also please use hand sanitiser on entering, leaving and at communion.
- Please continue to wear a mask in church.
- The seating in the nave will be spaced at 1.25m. Some notices will be available for you to put on chairs either side to maintain a personal bubble if you so wish, coats and bags will do just as well. The side aisle seating will stay at 2m distance for those who would prefer it.
- Once the service starts please remain in your seat unless you have a role to perform or until your turn to go forward for communion.
- Communion will continue to be in one kind only.
- The choir will continue to sit in the chancel and sing without masks. The only restriction on numbers will be down to what its members are content with in terms of social distancing.
- The congregation can join in with singing but should wear masks
- Doors and windows remain open during services to improve ventilation.
- Brief conversations inside church and unrestricted mingling outside.
- Refreshments will not be served; we will need more help with the rota before we can start that!

## Dates for your diary—forthcoming events *continued overleaf*

**Sunday 1, 8 & 15 August Compline by candlelight 7pm** St Mary's Study Camps

**Saturday 14th August - Coffee morning 10 - 12 noon**, in the churchyard or the church depending on the weather. Bring your friends for coffee and conversation - everyone welcome. Organised by Linton Mothers' Union and funds raised will go towards MU projects in the Diocese.

**Monday, 30 August 3pm—Vintage Afternoon Tea.** St Mary's Churchyard. (If wet, in church). £7.50 adults; £5 children. Booking strongly advised.

[events@stmaryslinton.org.uk](mailto:events@stmaryslinton.org.uk) Sue Ellis 892257 or Events Committee member.

**Thursday morning Study Group** resumes on Thursday, 9 September. Time and venue tbc. To continue study of Christian Ethics. New members welcome. Contact [Michael Wilcockson](#).

**Saturday 11th September - annual Ride and Stride event** run by Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust. Gain sponsorship, devise your route and visit as many churches as you choose. Proceeds are split between CHCT and your nominated church. Details from Sue Mudge, [sue.mudge@stmaryslinton.org.uk](mailto:sue.mudge@stmaryslinton.org.uk)

**Regular monthly coffee morning at St Mary's (3rd Saturday each month) starting 18th September. 10am – 12noon.** [events@stmaryslinton.org.uk](mailto:events@stmaryslinton.org.uk) if you can help. There will be a Jewellery stall on 18 September. Other stalls in future.

### **Save the Date Sunday 26 September**

**Castle Camps celebration of Thanksgiving.** This will include a service in the church at All Saints Castle Camps at 11.00am and then a Michael Prentice Hog Roast in the church grounds from 12.00noon. There will be stalls and liquid refreshments, to which all are invited.

Details are still to be finalised but please make a note in your diaries. Lindi Kent

**Confirmation.** If anyone (adult or youngster) wants to explore Christian faith with the possibility of being confirmed at Ely Cathedral Saturday, 27 November, contact [Michael Wilcockson](mailto:Michael.Wilcockson@stmaryslinton.org.uk) or [Anne Parry-Smith](mailto:Anne.Parry-Smith@stmaryslinton.org.uk)

**Coffee after 10am services on Sunday.** We hope to start again in September, but urgently need more volunteers. Contact [events@stmaryslinton.org.uk](mailto:events@stmaryslinton.org.uk) or Sue Ellis 892257 if you are able to help.

**Our Make Lunch Holiday Lunch Club** launched on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Each week we are using one of our five senses as a theme. We're hoping to be able to offer woodworking as an activity on August 25<sup>th</sup> (smell). If you have any skills to offer, or some child-sized tools, Sarah would love to hear from you [sarah.thorne@stmaryslinton.org.uk](mailto:sarah.thorne@stmaryslinton.org.uk)

**St Mary's Youth Group (SMYG)** having a break in August. September date tbc

## General information; requests for help

Reach Community Projects [Reach Haverhill : Reach Haverhill](#) for updates  
“**Hundreds of local families urgently need your help.**”  
**Make a regular gift and have it boosted by £100 at no cost to you!**

### The Ellacombe Chimes

We are very fortunate at St. Mary's (Linton) to be able to chime our 6 bells as well as ring them full circle from the ringing chamber. The chiming hammers are operated from the cabinet on the north wall of the choir vestry. The chiming system was originally designed by the Revd. Henry Ellacombe, vicar of Bitton, near Bristol in 1821 hence the bicentenary being celebrated this year. On June 26<sup>th</sup>, I chimed the bells in rounds and changes for a quarter of an hour along with over 150 other churches in many countries at 12 noon local time starting in New Zealand (at 11pm BST June 25<sup>th</sup>) and ending in Vancouver 17 hours later. The apparatus was installed in St Mary's tower in 1900 as part of the work replacing the bell frame and rehung the bells; it is used regularly now before services other than 10 am Sunday and at the consecration of the sacraments during communion services. Keith Nightingale

To avoid the expense of professional decoration at a time when the church needs to keep its belt tight, we hope to **restrain the exterior of the pavilion** ourselves during late August/September. If anyone can help, please contact Andrew Gore ([lintongore2@gmail.com](mailto:lintongore2@gmail.com) or 891970). It would be helpful if you could indicate whether you feel able to work from a stepladder or just at ground level. He will then contact those who have responded in principle to see if there are dates when sufficient people are available to make it possible.

Message from Bishop Dagmar: Last weekend saw the last sessions of the 2015-2021 **General Synod**, and a huge thanks to those who have represented the diocese in that body during this Synod term. For the clergy: Mike Booker, Hugh McCurdy, Nick Moir and Simon Talbott, and for the laity: Richard Morgan, Janet Perrett, and Francis Spufford. Elections to the new General Synod take place later this summer, and you can find more information about them [here](#).

To add to the pewsheet, to receive it by email or as a paper copy, contact Anne: [admin@stmaryslinton.org.uk](mailto:admin@stmaryslinton.org.uk) by 9am Thursday. The next pewsheet will be produced on Thursday, 9 September.

### **Thank you message from Maggie:**

It was very touching to have so many kind things said about me and my ministry. Thank you to those of you who spoke and gathered together other people's contributions. Thank you, too, to everybody (and in the Team) who contributed to such a generous cheque (of £1,200 - for those who don't know!) which I shall think hard about before spending.

The picture by Richard Read is very special, and will have a prominent place in our new sitting room, and the photos, both the framed one, and the lovely album, were much appreciated. The captions in the album are both apt and beautifully inscribed, and the rose will join some I have already taken to Norfolk to plant, and be a joy for years. The cross will remind me not only of Linton, but of Ely Cathedral, where I was ordained both as deacon and priest, and made a canon in 2002, and which has been such an important part of my life for the past 39 years. And thank, you, too, for the unique hand-made gift of the lantern which will go on the windowsill in the extension when it is finished.

Thank you, above all, for all the love expressed by so many. You will all always have an important place in my heart.

With love from Maggie.

### **Parish Prayer Board July 2021**

*Subjects for prayer and thanksgiving mentioned in our prayers. Phone Michael Wilcockson or email [admin@stmaryslinton.org.uk](mailto:admin@stmaryslinton.org.uk) with your request. Obtain permission for inclusion of names. Prayer requests are kept for 2 weeks and take the place of the prayer list in church. The Ministry Team are each praying for several in the congregation so all those on the electoral roll are included.*

26 July—Patricia Schofield and her daughter Mandy would like to say a big thank you for all the Prayers and kind messages relating to Patricia's Granddaughter, Imogen who has been in Hospital for almost Five Months. Imogen has been transferred to a specialist unit, after a long wait, and is now making good progress.

27 July—We give thanks for Margaret Davis's faithful and loving ministry at Symonds House over many years. Margaret's funeral took place at St Mary's on 22 July.