

WELCOME TO ST MARK'S CHURCH

Bell Street, Swanage, BH19 2SA



THIS SUNDAY: 21st April 2024 – 4th Sunday of Easter

10am Holy Communion *Rev Dave Richards*

Acts 4:5-12 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18

Followed by Refreshments in the Church Room

Gluten Free – please talk to the Welcomer if you'd like a gluten-free Communion Wafer. Also, gluten/wheat-free chocolate biscuits are available with refreshments after the Service.

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

- **THE CHURCH IS OPEN** from 10am - 4pm Monday - Saturday
- Mon 22nd April: **Community Café** 10am - 12noon at Herston Village Hall with Citizens' Advice and Digital Dorset (help with technology)
- Mon 22nd: **St Mark's Choir Rehearsal** 6:15pm - 7pm
- Mon 22nd: **Annual Parish Church Meeting** 7:30pm at All Saints' Church. There are copies of the Annual Report and Accounts at St Mark's for people to collect and take with them.
- Tue 23rd: **Fortnightly Bible Study** 7pm-8:30pm, Church Room
- Wed 24th: **Prayer & Share** 10am – 10:45am in the Church Room

NEXT SUNDAY: 28th April 2024 – ST MARK'S DAY

10am Special Celebration with St Mark's Band

Theme: Jesus and the Blind Man Mark 10:46-52 Rev Dave Richards

Followed by Refreshments in the Church Room

Donations for the work of St Mark's are always welcome:

There's a plate for cash donations on top of the font, and a QR code on a poster on the wall near the font. If you've got the QR App on your mobile phone, you can click on the code, and it goes straight to the donations page. Thank you to everyone for your donations, however they're given.

St Mark's School: Thanks to everyone for your prayers for the Ofsted Inspection last week. It was also good to have the cakes to take to the School on the day the Inspection started.

SOME ADVANCE DATES:

Future Bible Study Dates: 7th May, 21st May, 4th June, 18th June, 2nd July, 16th July, 30th July (then a break until 3rd September). All sessions are at 7pm-8:30pm in the Church Room. Refreshments from 6:45pm.

Any Questions? On Tuesday 30th April at Swanage Methodist Church, High Street, Rev Canon Richard Bartlett will be speaking on "Christian Mission in 21st Century Britain – has it had its day?". Richard is now Rural Dean of Purbeck but was previously Director of Mission Engagement at USPG in London and has also been a missionary in Brazil. Doors open at 6:30pm (coffee/tea), presentation from 7pm. All are welcome.

COLLECT (Special Prayer) for 4th Sunday of Easter: Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

➤ PLEASE let Dave (07779079844) know of anyone who is unwell, in hospital or housebound who would like a visit.

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St Mark's Website: www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Mark-Herston



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Disciples of Christ, sharing the compassionate and caring love of God with the School and Community of which we are a part.