

WELCOME TO ST MARK'S CHURCH

Bell Street, Swanage, BH19 2SA



THIS SUNDAY: 2nd March – Sunday before Lent

10am Holy Communion *Rev Dave Richards*

Bible Theme: Exodus 34:29-35 /2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2 /Luke 9:28-43a

Followed by Coffee and Cake in the Church Room

Gluten/wheat-free: Please talk to the Welcomer if you'd like a gluten-free Communion Wafer. We also have gluten/wheat-free refreshments

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK:

- **THE CHURCH IS OPEN** from 10am - 4pm Monday - Saturday
- Mon 3rd: **Community Café** 10am - 12noon at Herston Village Hall with Citizens' Advice and help with technology
- Mon 3rd: **Talk by Audrey Pembroke** 11am at Swanage Library, on Purbeck's Mowlem Mystery
- Mon 3rd: **St Mark's Choir Rehearsal** 6:15pm - 7pm
- Mon 3rd: **St Mark's Church Committee** 7:30pm, Church Room
- Tue 4th: **Herston Junior Singing Club** 3:30pm - 4:25pm
- Tue 4th: **Lent Course session 1**, 7pm in the Church Room
- Wed 5th: **Ash Wednesday Service** 10:30am at St Mark's Church
- Fri 7th: **World Day of Prayer** 10:30am at St George's, Langton

NEXT SUNDAY: 9th March – 1st Sunday of Lent

10am Holy Communion *Rev Natalie Davies & Rev Dave Richards*

Bible Theme: Deuteronomy 26.1-11 Romans 10.8b-13 Luke 4.1-13

Followed by Coffee and Cake in the Church Room

While we have our refreshments we'll watch a film on safeguarding, because safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

St Mark's Church, Herston, is part of the Swanage & Studland Team

Lent Course: The theme of our Lent Course this year is “Living Hope” and sessions will be on the following dates: Tuesday 4th March, Monday 10th March, Wednesday 19th March, Tuesday 25th March, Monday 31st March, Tuesday 8th April, all at 7pm in the Church Room.

Any Questions? Tuesday 11th March at the URC, 6:30pm for 7pm. The theme is “What on earth is heaven?” presented by Dr James Paul

Lent Lunch at St Mark’s: Friday 14th March, 12:00pm – 1:30pm

Quiz Night at All Saints Hall: Friday 14th March 7pm. Proceeds to Art Workshop. Tickets £10 to include jacket potato, fruit and hot drinks. See the poster for details of where to get tickets.

St Mark’s Church AGM: Sunday 16th March after the Morning Service

Presentation on Improving our Church Communications: The Diocesan Director of Communications, Rebecca Paveley, is speaking at an open meeting of the Purbeck Deanery Synod on Tuesday 18th March at 7pm for 7:30pm at All Saints’ Church Hall in Swanage. Anyone can attend, but it’s particularly suitable for members of the Church Committee.

St Mark’s Goes Global: Saturday 22nd March at 7pm. Our holiday photos from around the world, a fun quiz and cheese & wine, raising money for Christian Aid. Please invite your friends.

COLLECT (SPECIAL PRAYER) FOR THE SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask 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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