

SUNDAY 22nd August & Sunday 29th August 2021

SERVICES

Sunday 22nd August

08.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

live-streamed with in-person attendance in church.

Sunday 22nd August

10.30am Choral Eucharist

live-streamed with in-person attendance in church.

Wednesday 25th August

10:30am Holy Communion (BCP)

In-person attendance in church.

Sunday 29th August

10.30am Choral Eucharist

live-streamed with in-person attendance in church.

Wednesday 1st September

10:30am Holy Communion (BCP)

In-person attendance in church.

CHURCH NOTICES

PLEASE LET ONE OF THE MINISTRY TEAM KNOW

(Vicar, Elders, Churchwarden) of any pastoral needs amongst the SMLT Community, so that we can respond, especially news of anyone suffering from the Coronavirus, but also other illness, or death, or just loneliness.

HOLDING PEOPLE IN PRAYER

Amongst those who are unwell or in difficulty including Jaydon McConnachy, Nevil Smith, Simon Hulme, and Felix Todd. We continue to remember Derek Le May, Sally Patient, Eileen Mayers and Mary Trythall.

We pray rest in peace and rise in glory for those who have recently died including Frances Key; and all who are bereaved

We give thanks for the lives of those whose remembrance occurs at this time including Reginald and Elsie Pallant, Patricia and Ronald Coleman, and David Adair.

Lord, you are just and your commandments are eternal: teach us to love you with all our heart and our neighbours as ourselves.

INTERCESSIONS

Eternal God calm and quieten our souls; keep us humble and full of wonder, and trusting as we live in your love.

We pray for the mission and unity of the Church throughout the Wold, remembering the Anglican Church of South America; and the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. In our diocese we pray for Parishes in the Gipping Valley Deanery. For all who work in the Diocesan Office. For the Mother's Union members in Kagera.

In our life at St. Mary-le-Tower, we pray for Charles and Susan as they move to their new home in Bury St. Edmunds. For the Revd. Tom Mumford as he prepares to come to lead us in October.. For Jo and Sonia, our Churchwardens, the PCC and Leadership Team as they support all who come to worship and visit here.

For Adam Chillingworth bringing organ music of Bach to the Lunchtime Concert on Tuesday 24th August. We give thanks for the sponsorship offered by the Suffolk Organists Association.

We pray for the people of Afghanistan as the Taliban take control of their country. For our Service Personnel who are endeavouring to evacuate safely those seeking security in another land.

We pray for the Nations of the World where natural disasters have caused destruction and loss of life. Give political leaders wisdom and integrity in their dealings with one another. Lead everyone in ways of justice and peace.

We pray that we can think carefully how we can each help to prevent devastating climate change. That we care for the wonderful creation that God has given us.

We pray for all who are now on holiday: that they can find rest and re-creation.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE VICAR

Dear Friends,

My last working Sunday at St Mary-le-Tower is next week, 22nd August, with services at 8am and 10.30am. My farewell service is on Sunday 5th September. We shall be finally moving to Bury St Edmunds on Wednesday 25th August and I officially retire on 31st August. Thank you to all those who have sent Susan and myself your good wishes for the future.

Do please continue to pray for Revd Tom Mumford, who will be licensed as interim priest in charge for St Mary-le-Tower for a period of 3 years, on Monday 4th October with a service at 7.30pm.

Sunday 8am Services of Holy Communion: Because of the very low numbers attending this service at present, there will be no 8am services until Tom Mumford is in post. It is fully expected that 8am services will then resume from Sunday 10th October.

Wednesday 10.30am Services of Holy Communion: will continue as usual without a break, but will not be live streamed.

On Sunday 29th August: there will be one service at St Mary-le-Tower at 10.30am, which will be in person and live streamed.

On Sunday 12th September: St Mary-le-Tower will celebrate its patronal festival at services of 9.30am Choral Matins and 5.30pm Choral Evensong will recommence.

During the interregnum The Churchwardens are coordinating the life of St Mary-le-Tower, and except for music department matters, general church queries should be directed to them. Please pray for them in the burdens they carrying at this time.

With my prayers and best wishes,

Charles

CURRENT PARISH CONTACTS

Please refer to the Parish Website for latest updates and downloads www.stmaryletower.org.uk

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WAYS OF GIVING TO SMLT

Because of the Covid-19 restrictions, there will continue to be no plate collections in church. We are grateful for your continued financial support. Donations can be made in the following ways:

- Via the Donations Cabinet in church
- Via the Contactless Terminal in church
- Via the Donation Button on our website
- Via regular giving by Standing Order
- Via BACS to 30-94-55, 00059383 PCC St Mary le Tower Ipswich

[All donations go into a private PCC account seen only by the Churchwarden, Donations Officer & Bookkeeper.]

Sunday 5th September

Just a reminder that we will be holding a farewell service for Charles and Susan on Sunday 5th September 2021 at the 10:30 Choral Eucharist with refreshments after the service. If you would like to help by providing homemade cakes and biscuits for this special occasion it will be much appreciated. There will be a 'sign up' list at the back of the church

We wish Charles and Susan the very best as they prepare for their move and for these last few weeks we have together with them. We look forward to seeing you on the 5th September.

Sonia Docherty and Jo Jones
Churchwardens.

SUFFOLK CHURCHES RIDE & STRIDE

Saturday 11th September 2021 is fast approaching Your support for this event will be most welcome either as a participant or as a helper. Taking part is easy. You decide if you want to walk or cycle between as many or as few Churches or Chapels as you choose and ask for sponsorship for doing so. Sponsorship forms are available from Jo Jones - SMLT Church Warden.

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If you would like to help with the organisation then you could be a welcomer on the day at SMLT. A rota will be organised for you to sign up to.

We look forward to welcoming participants to St Mary le Tower between 09.00 and 17.00 on the day of the event. More information can be found at www.shct.org.uk

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

If you wish to sponsor any of the concerts please contact our Assistant Music Director

William Baldry at Will.Baldry@yahoo.co.uk

or

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and let them know which concert you would like to sponsor.

All Concerts will be socially distanced audience & live broadcast

August 24th Adam Chillingworth organ. All roads lead to Bach. Sponsored by the Suffolk Organists' Association

August 31st Goldcrest Ensemble flute, violin, viola & harp. Ibert, Fauré, Donizetti & Alwyn.

September 7th David Newsholme organ. Music for the King of Instruments. Sponsored by a member of the St Mary le Tower congregation

September 14th Kathryn Parry & Ben Parry violin & narrator. Bach, Telemann & Rimmer

September 21st Jonathan Hanley & Gavin Roberts tenor & piano. Schumann, Brahms & Britten

September 28th Mary Pells viola da gamba. Music from the 17th & 18th centuries— Telemann & Abel

October 5th Andrew Leach piano. Schubert Sonata in B flat D 960

October 12th William Baldry organ. Music by Dupré, Duruflé and Widor

The Winter Concert Series begins Tuesday 30th Nov