

SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST MARY'S TICEHURST

8am Holy Communion every Sunday

In traditional language, from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

No hymns.

9.30am All-Age Informal Service – 1st Sunday

A shorter service, in St Mary's Room. Keyboard & guitar. All welcome.

11am Parish Communion – 1st Sunday

In contemporary language with choir and hymns.

11am Morning Prayer – 2nd Sunday

In traditional language from the BCP, with choir and hymns.

11am Parish Communion – 3rd Sunday

In contemporary language with choir and hymns.

4.30pm Café Church (All-Age)– 3rd Sunday

Informal gathering with refreshments, with a mix of discussion, video, crafts/games, songs, prayers.

11am Morning Praise (All-Age) – 4th Sunday

A service for everyone with worship band, junior choir, hymns and a talk.

6.30pm Evensong/Songs of Praise – both held occasionally

BCP Evensong with choir and hymns. Songs of Praise for special occasions.

11am 5th Sunday Service as advertised.

Coffee, tea etc are available after our 9.30am and 11am services.

Baptisms – by arrangement with the Vicar.

Midweek communion is held at 10 a.m. in St Mary's Room on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

(Common Worship Order One in traditional language).

And at 11am on the 2nd Weds of the month in Newington Court.

Contact us

Vicar: Revd Ashley Evans Tel.01580 200316 revd@penandashley.co.uk

The Parish Administrator, Mrs Di Freeman, is in the Parish Office at the Vicarage on the mornings of Mon, Tues & Thurs from 9am to 11.30am. Tel. 01580 200316; email: admin@ticehurstandflimwell.church

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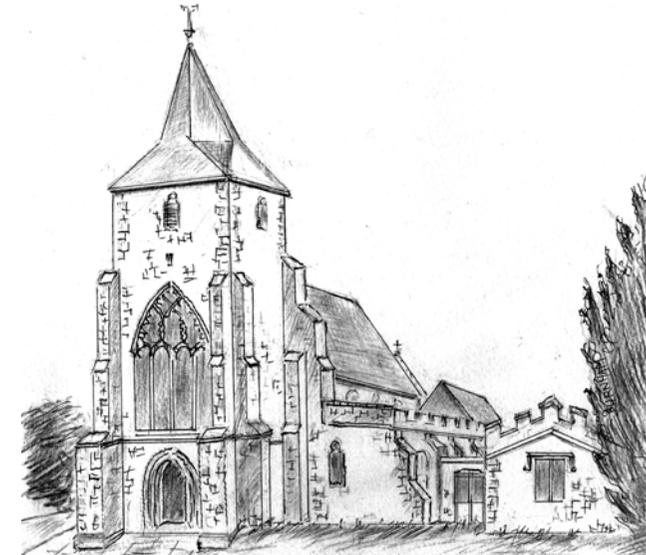
St Mary's Room Bookings: Parish Administrator, Di Freeman 01580200316

St Mary's Room Facilities: Mrs Diane Procter 01580 388467

WELCOME

to

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, TICEHURST



We welcome everyone to our Church.

We strive to bring people together, to help each other, to work together in the community, and to find friendship and peace.

We aim to promote spiritual wellbeing and caring in the Parish through the power of God.

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A word of welcome from all at St Mary's



St Mary's Church has welcomed people to worship God for seven centuries and we extend a very warm welcome to you.

At St Mary's we provide a wide variety of services and activities, and this leaflet aims to give you an idea of all the opportunities which we offer in which to worship God, serve others and grow in Christian faith.

We strive to be a church that listens and learns from each other and we would welcome your contribution.

We believe that faith in Jesus Christ is as significant and relevant today as it has always been.

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CHURCH BRASSES

There is a range of brasses and marbles in the Church celebrating the lives of local people from times past.

Visit the Church to see these historical works of art. Our group of volunteer brass cleaners would welcome help in keeping these in good condition. Contact Muriel White 01580 200606 for more information.

SPECIAL EVENTS – Exhibitions, etc.

We run a number of special events through the year, both for members of our congregation and for the community. These events are publicized on our website, in the local *News and Views* village magazine, on our Church noticeboards and in the local shops. Come and join us!

Examples of events we have recently put on are:

- Painting and Sculpture Exhibitions from local artists
- Concerts [Choirs, Classical Music, Jazz, Gospel]
- Special Summer events
- Exhibitions: local photographs, wedding dresses, etc.,
- A Christmas Bazaar is held each year in the Village Hall.

ST MARY'S ROOM HIRE

There is an excellent new meeting room attached to the Church, which is warm and friendly and has kitchen, toilet and baby changing facilities.

If you wish to book this room for a function, please contact Di Freeman in the Church Office on 01580 200316 admin@ticehurstandflimwell.church or Diane Procter on 01580 388467.

BELL RINGING

We have six bells in St Mary's Church, cast as a complete set at Whitechapel Foundry in London.

The bells are rung regularly at 11 am Sunday services, and for weddings and funerals as arranged. Bell ringing practice

takes place every Monday evening and for other special events by arrangement.

We have an active group of bell ringers but are always looking for new people to join us. If you would like to learn how to ring a church bell just turn up to our regular Monday evening practices at 8 p.m.

For more information, contact Andrew Cook on 01580 200594

CHURCH CHOIR

We are fortunate to have a good choir with a range of voices, and they sing hymns, anthems and other classical works.

Our choir regularly sings regularly at 11 am Sunday services, weddings [by arrangement], Friday evening practices and other special events, for example the annual Chichester or Canterbury RSCM Festival Evensongs.

We are a happy group who enjoy singing and supporting other churches on occasion. We welcome new members and have male voices joining us for Christmas. If you would like to join please just drop in at our practice in the Church on a Friday evening at 6.30 p.m. or contact Jacky Ward on 01580 201340.

FLOWER ARRANGING

We have an enthusiastic team of volunteer flower arrangers.

If you would like to help in arranging flowers in the Church, please contact Sally Warlow on 01580 201436.

No experience necessary.

There is a wide range of ACTIVITIES and Services for everyone in our community.

- Regular services
- Holy Days & special Festival events
- Marriages, Blessings & Baptisms
- Funerals
- Home visiting
- Children's events
- Special events – concerts, exhibitions, etc.,
- Home groups
- Prayer support
- Fellowship meetings
- Bell ringing
- Church choir
- Flower arranging
- Brass cleaning
- St Mary's Meeting Room hire

REGULAR SERVICES

We have regular services on Sundays and Wednesdays, in a range of styles from All-Age services to traditional language services and Holy Communion. Tea and coffee are often served after our services and we welcome people to meet in a friendly environment. *[See the last page of this leaflet for more detail].*

HOLY DAYS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Join us in celebrating the special days through the year:

- Easter and Harvest services [with celebratory meals].
- Remembrance Day service, starting at the War Memorial in the village square.
- Christmas and New Year, when there are a range of special services and events including Carol Services and the candle-lit Midnight Mass.

MARRIAGES, BLESSINGS & BAPTISMS

We hold these as requested throughout the year. For these celebrations, St Mary's offers beautiful surroundings, flower arrangements, our excellent choir, bell ringers and a traditional organ.

It is always a joy to celebrate these events at our Church and we hope to make these days special for you in the sight of God.

FUNERALS

We can be counted on to help you in your time of need, whether this be advice, counselling to help cope with the bereavement of a loved one, or the practicalities of organising a funeral service and burial.

HOME VISIT SERVICES

We try to care for all members of our community and want to make you feel that you are amongst friends. If you would like to see a minister, or have problems getting to Church, please phone the number given at the back of this leaflet.

We can offer help at home such as: arranging a home visit from a member of our Church to check that you are keeping well; offer care after sickness; or be somebody to talk to or assist with household problems or shopping if you are having difficulty.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Children are always welcome to our Church, with regular 'All-Age' services and activities for children.

We have close ties with Ticehurst Church of England Primary School, both in policy-making and by taking assemblies.

Café Church is held in St Mary's Room every 3rd Sunday of the month at 4.30 p.m., where we arrange a variety of activities. Children are welcome. A Summer Holiday Club is held for Primary School age children.

BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER MEETINGS

There are a number of small groups which get together to study the bible, to hold prayers, and for fellowship. The most regular home group is on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. A prayer group is to be re-launched in 2018 (The Diocese of Chichester Year of Prayer)

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

The Fellowship of St Mary's and St Augustine's is a friendly group that meets for tea and to hear a visiting speaker, either at Newington Court, or in St Mary's Room at the Church at 2.30 p.m. on the first Thursday afternoon of each month (except August and September). Come along and join us!