

Welcome to St Mary's Church! We are so glad you are here. Today's service is a Holy Communion Service. Due to current restrictions it will be in one kind (bread) only. Please familiarise yourself with the detailed information in this booklet.

Christoph Lindner, Rector



All Change!

From today, Sunday, 25 July:

We can sing again in church! At a time when Covid numbers remain high, we are taking careful steps to ensure that everyone feels safe when they come to church:

We will continue to keep all our hygiene measures and social distancing in place. By reducing the distance between individuals and 'bubbles' to about 1m we can increase our capacity at St Mary's a little.

Please continue to sign up beforehand. We will keep some free seats for those who turn up and are not aware of this arrangement.

Being able to sing was at the top of your list in our survey a couple of months ago. To make sure we keep one another safe, we are asking you to continue to wear a mask inside St Mary's Church. Of course you don't have to wear a mask if you have a medical exemption.

You can choose where to sit.

We will refrain from shaking hands when sharing the peace and at the end of the service.

We will delay sharing the common cup at Holy Communion while Covid infection numbers remain high.

As soon as we have established a new coffee rota we will serve coffee and tea after the service – probably at the back of church to avoid a bottleneck in the vestry. Please let Victoria know if you want to help with coffee.

From next Sunday, 1 August:

The 9.30am service at St Mary's will move to 10.30am.

The service will be streamed live from the church on Youtube.

Only the front of church (chancel and sanctuary) will be visible on the live-stream. If you want to avoid being seen on the video (which is publicly available on the internet), please do not walk into the vestry from the church five minutes before the service or immediately afterwards. Please speak confidentially with our parish secretary Victoria if you are on a rota to read, lead, pray, etc. and do not want to be visible on the internet.

The month of August will be a time of experimentation - we will learn a lot and probably make a few mistakes. Your feedback is very welcome!

STAY SAFE • STAY CONNECTED • STAY HOPEFUL

WELCOME

HYMN

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works
thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder:
Thy power throughout
the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour, God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour, God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

And when I think that God,
his Son not sparing, sent him to die,
I scarce can take it in
that on the cross,
my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come
with shout of acclamation,
and take me home,
what joy shall fill my heart;
then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim:
my God, how great thou art.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.
Amen. Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN

We come to hear your word
Lord open up our hearts and lives again
So let your voice be heard
We're ready to receive this daily bread

*Your word is truth and life to us
So light the way
As we believe your promises
Renew our faith*

We come to hear your word
Let revelation speak to us anew
We long to know you more
Come Spirit lead us deeper into truth

GOSPEL READING: John 6. 1-21

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.*

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for

each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed; through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen..

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG

I'm gonna walk by faith, not by sight
I'm gonna walk by faith, not by sight
I'm gonna follow Jesus and do what's right
I'm gonna walk by faith, not by sight

*Jesus said if you follow me
You will never live in darkness
Jesus said if you follow me
You will live in the light
(x2)*

I'm gonna watch and pray every day
I'm gonna watch and pray every day
I'm gonna do ev'rything
That I've heard Jesus say
I'm gonna watch and pray every day

THE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic Church. We acknowledge
one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins. We look for the resurrection of the
dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

PRAYERS

**Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for the sake of
your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

THE PEACE

**The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

**It is indeed right, it is our duty and our
joy, at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.**

**For he is your living Word; through him
you have created all things from the
beginning, and formed us in your own
image. Through him you have freed us
from the slavery of sin, giving him to be
born of a woman and to die upon the
cross; you raised him from the dead and
exalted him to your right hand on high.**

**Through him you have sent upon us
your holy and life-giving Spirit,
and made us a people for your own
possession.**

**Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious
name, for ever praising you and saying:**

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

**God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus
Christ, and as we follow his example
and obey his command, grant that by
the power of your Holy Spirit these
gifts of bread and wine may be to us his
body and his blood;**

**who, in the same night that he was
betrayed, took bread and gave you
thanks; he broke it and gave it to his
disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my
body which is given for you; do this in
remembrance of me.**

**In the same way, after supper he took
the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it
to them, saying: Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for
the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as
often as you drink it, in remembrance
of me.**

**Therefore, heavenly Father, we
remember his offering of himself made
once for all upon the cross; we
proclaim his mighty resurrection and
glorious ascension; we look for the
coming of your kingdom, and with this
bread and this cup we make the
memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.**

**Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high

**priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and
praise, and as we eat and drink these
holy gifts in the presence of your divine
majesty, renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love and unite us
in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ
our Lord.**

**Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth
and heaven, we worship you, Father
almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:**

**Blessing and honour and glory and
power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.**

**Though we are many,
we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

At present we receive Holy Communion in

one kind (bread) only.

We have devised a one-way system for receiving the bread and then returning to your place through the empty first pew. Please refer to the diagram on page 7 for details and familiarise yourself with your pew number. We are inviting people to come forward by pew number starting with pew No. 1.

Please follow the directions of our sidesteam and keep a distance of two meters to the person in front of you. If you'd like to receive a blessing, please keep your hands at your sides as you come forward. Please walk back to your pew after you receive the wafer and consume it there.

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

HYMN

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you; allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

You shall not live by bread alone, but by ev'ry word that proceeds from the mouth of God; Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you; Allelu, alleluia.

THE BLESSING

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen

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SUNDAY WORSHIP FROM 1 AUGUST

10.30am Onsite and Online
Onsite at St Mary's.

Please register in advance by calling our church office or going to denhamparish.church/events

Online on YouTube.
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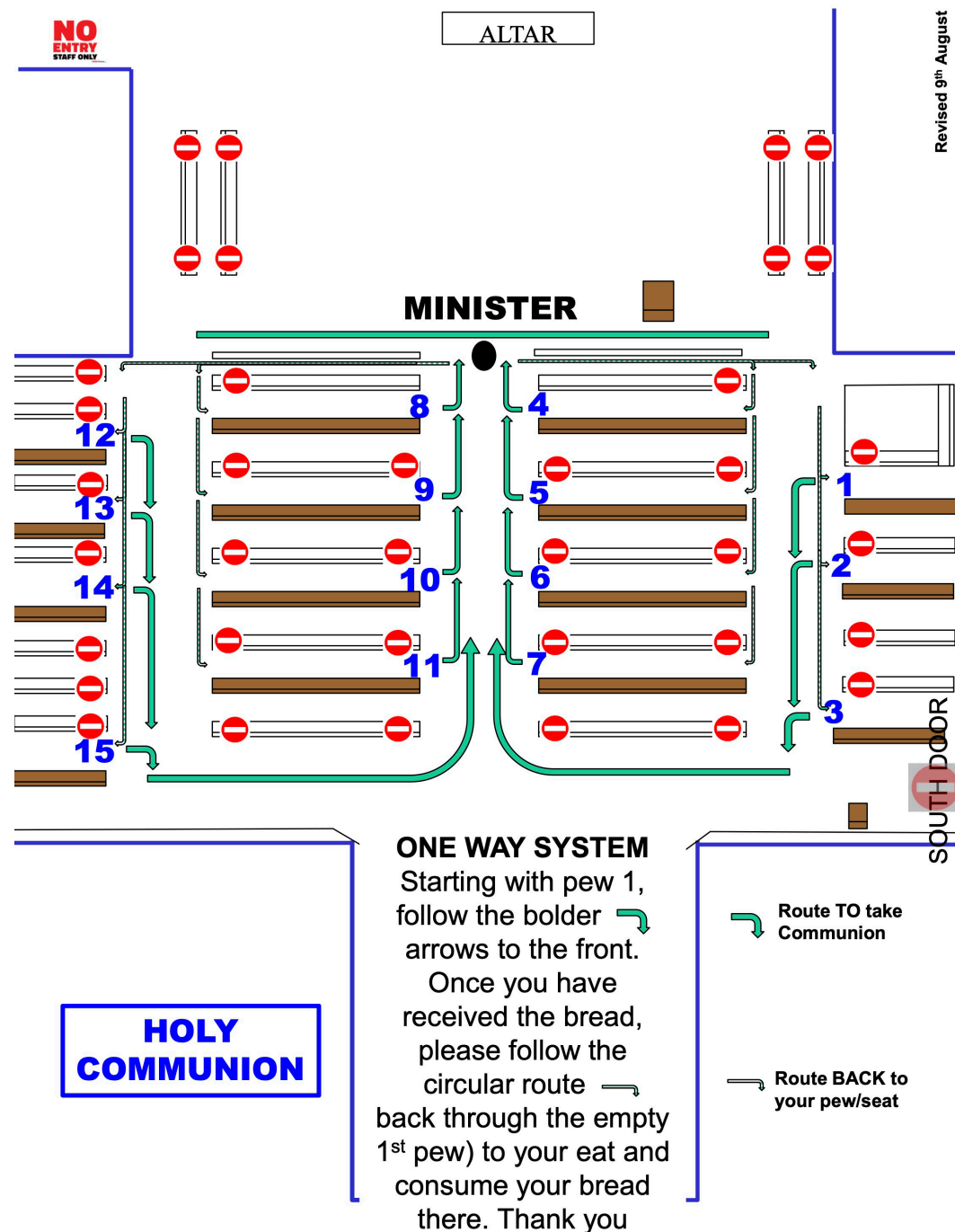
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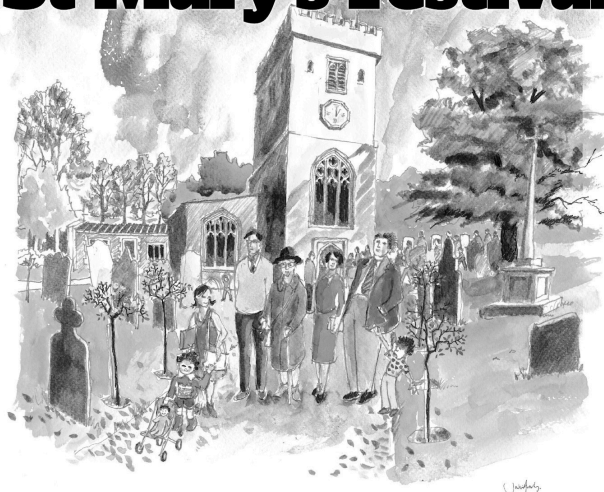
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Revised 9th August

St Mary's Festival



Join us for a community celebration in and around St Mary's Church Denham. Our theme for this year is "*Lament and Laughter*" – acknowledging what we have lost and celebrating a sense of hope together.





Please check our website for the latest updates.

Saturday 11 September 2021

 <p>From 9am Fit and Fun: Walk, run, cycle</p>	 <p>10am–12 Children's Games St Mary's</p>	 <p>From 10am Refreshments St Mary's</p>	 <p>10 am Children's Sport's Day</p>	 <p>11.15 am Little Lions Party, St Mary's</p>
 <p>2pm–5pm Vestry Teas St Mary's</p>	 <p>2pm–5pm Memory Tree St Mary's</p>	 <p>2pm–5pm Light a Candle St Mary's</p>	 <p>2pm–5pm Celebration Bunting St Mary's</p>	

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Sunday 12 September 2021

 <p>Morning Celebration Service St Mary's</p>	 <p>12–2pm Barbecue St Mary's</p>	 <p>1–5pm Open Garden The White House</p>	 <p>Afternoon Sing with Us incl. Singing Vicar</p>
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All proceeds will help us maintain St Mary's Church Building and support our local community through "Give and Share".

GIVE & SHARE

www.denhamparish.church/festival