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WELCOME TO THE PARISH NEWS FOR ST LUKE'S CHURCH, SWAY SUNDAY 29th September 2024

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Welcome to this weeks Parish News.

This week is Climate Sunday and we look forward to welcoming Revd Rosie Ward from Lymington St Thomas Church and hearing her speak of A Rocha. The Christian Conservation Organisation working together to live out God's calling to care for creation and equip others to do likewise.

Thank you to all those who joined us for Praise and Play last week in the church rooms. It was a joyful service with lots of singing and fun activities for the children.

WORSHIP

SUNDAY 29th September: Climate Sunday

9.30am Informal Service Leader: Wendy Collyer and Andrea Janssens Speaker: Visiting Speaker Revd Rosie Ward

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10.30am Coffee Time

11am Morning Worship with Holy Communion

 Leader Revd Jane Mitchell.

Speaker: Visiting Speaker Revd Rosie Ward

Please click [HERE](#) to view our Sunday 9.30am Informal Worship for October

Please click [HERE](#) to view our Sunday 11am Traditional Worship for October.

Printed copies can also be found in church.

Prayer

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

This week please pray for -

- Climate Sunday and Revd Rosie Ward
- Basics Bank and volunteers

CHURCH NEWS

APPEAL - Volunteers needed to help Marion take donations to the Basic Bank in Lymington following Harvest church and school services

Marion Taylor is looking for some volunteers to meet up at the church at 9am on Monday 7th October with cars to take the donations from the service and school to the Basics Bank in Lymington. If you are willing to help, please can you let Marion know via the Church Office on 01590 682358 or just be there for 9am on Monday the 7th. Many thanks in advance for your support and time.

Tuesday Morning Prayer Meeting

Please note that our Tuesday morning weekly prayer meeting in church is changing to a Wednesday morning from 2nd October, same time of 9am. All welcome.

Children & Youth News

October Messy Church Monday 14th October - Messy Goes Wild and Wonderful.





We are looking forward to our next Messy Church Service, details above. Our theme is Messy goes wild and wonderful and we will be looking at John 10:11, Jesus is the good shepherd. Please click [HERE](#) to let us know you'll be coming.

Buildings

Note: Duncan the church architect needed to delay our quinquennial inspection due to a family emergency illness. A new date will be rearranged as soon as possible.

The PCC set the dates this week for the **fundraising campaign for the RAINWATER GOODS. This job is to replace the guttering and downpipes that caused the damp in the first place....** The campaign will run for 6 weeks from **6th Oct to 17th November** with a target of raising **£30,000** for the new rainwater goods work and an additional **£20,000** to replenish reserves used for the building maintenance work just finished.

The diocese are working hard to set up our giving page and online donation account - more details soon! There is £10,000 of match funding for the first £10,000 raised that will help us on our way. Thank you for considering a donation to ensure the church building is carefully looked after for the next hundred years or so and kept dry.

Mission News

Love in a Box

Filled shoe boxes as Christmas gifts for under privileged children in Eastern Europe.





It's the time of year to appeal to you to support and donate to Love in a Box. Janet and the team in Sway have been organising this project for 31 years now and last year 258 boxes were sent off, which is the most they have ever done. Let's try and help to match this and even better it this year.

It is for a wonderful cause allowing schools, businesses, churches and other organisations and individuals to fill shoe boxes with gifts for under privileged children throughout Eastern Europe who would otherwise not receive a Christmas present. Each one is individually received by a child.

It is a whole village project and so many people are involved. There are leaflets with suggestions of what to put in the boxes at the back of church, in the church rooms, the hub, the post office or from Janet at Hillside, Middle Road.

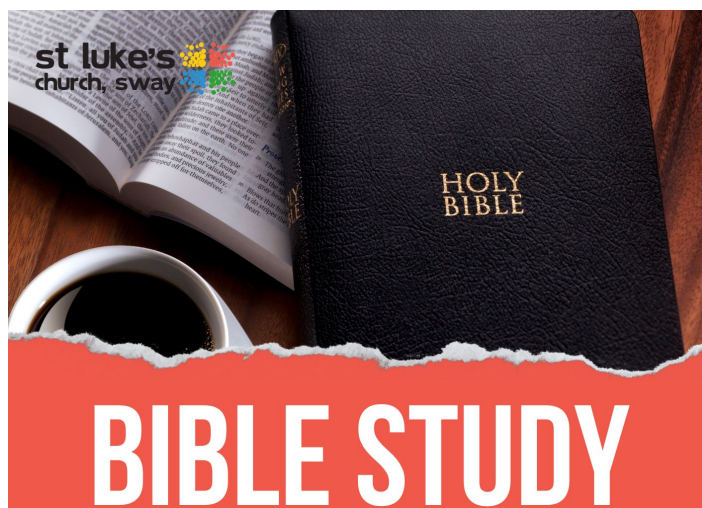
How can I help?

You can help by either filling a box (covered ones are available from Janet or in the church rooms), giving items for the team to pack into boxes or by donating money to help with post and packaging and also towards buying items we need. **The closing date is November 8th.**

Coming Soon

Bible Course

Please do come and join us for our midweek open bible study. No booking required, simply drop in. Refreshments provided, details below. The first session is on Tuesday 8th October at 7pm in church.



Join us for our midweek open bible study, with questions and discussion. Open to all. Refreshments provided.



2ND AND 4TH TUESDAYS OF THE MONTH. 7-8.30PM.
TERM TIME ONLY



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WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

Monday 30	9.30am	Bump, Baby & Toddler
Tuesday 1	9.30am	Community Gardening
	10.30am	SWAG Community Cafe
Wednesday 2	9am	Prayer Meeting (in church)
	9.30am	St Luke's School Harvest Service KS1
	12.00pm	SWAG Lunch Club
	2pm	St Luke's School Harvest Service KS2
Thursday 3	9am	Online Morning Prayer
	6pm	Band Practice
Friday 4	9.30am	Bump, Baby & Toddler Group
	10am	Friday Service
	4pm	Wedding Rehearsal
	7.30pm	Choir Practice

Here is the link for Thursday online parish prayers -

<https://zoom.us/j/95044393409?pwd=ekVMbFBachZaeDF0aUM4bTluWU14QT09>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY..

OCTOBER

Saturday 5th October 12:00 - Wedding of Tom and Bethany

Sunday 6th October - Harvest Celebration Communion Service

Tuesday 8th October 19:00 - Drop-in Bible Study

Thursday 10th October 19:00 - Autumn Synod

Friday 11th October 9:00 - Church led School Assembly

Saturday 12th October - Lay Ministry Licensing and Commissioning Service

Monday 14th October - 15:15 - Messy Church. **Click HERE to book.**

Tuesday 15th October 19:00 - Newcomers to Church Drinks and Information Evening

Saturday 19th October - 10:00 - 12:00 Children's Society Coffee Morning at Hillside, Middle Road

Sunday 20th October 16:00 - Evensong

Tuesday 22nd October - 19:00- Drop-in Bible Study

Friday 25th October 11:30 - Birchy Hill Communion

Friday 25th October 14:00 - Creative Space

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