

# Dorchester Benefice Diary

*Mondays (except the 3rd Monday in the month) 2-4pm*  
**Craft Group** in the choir vestry. Just bring along anything you are doing, knitting, sewing, painting, drawing, etc. and come and have a cuppa and natter. Contact Cynthia Fry on 01305 260062 for further details.

*First Monday of each month 2-4pm*  
**Dorchester Stitches.** In United Church (the main hall), South St, Dorchester. Expertise is shared and occasional workshops arranged as are visits to exhibitions. Annual subscription £5 plus £1 per meeting to cover costs.

*Wednesdays at 5pm*  
**The Contemplative prayer group** will meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at St Mary's.

*Thursdays at 6.30pm*  
**The Contemplative prayer group** meet at the Quiet Space. All are welcome.

*Wednesday 4th July at 10am*  
**Dorcas MU Bible Study group** meet at 155 Damers Road. Walking with Old Testament Women – Sarah (Part 2) Genesis 17:15-19, 18:1-15, 21:1-14. Newcomers & visitors welcome. Details 01305 260259.

*Saturday 7th July 2018 at 7pm*  
 "Charminster Follies" present (for one night only) "**Around the World with Gilbert and Sullivan**" (Excerpts from four favourite Operas) St Mary's Church, Charminster. Tickets £8.00 from Bernard Tinker 01305 213403 or Susie Pearson 01305 259431.

*Saturday 7th July at 7pm*  
**Dorset Rural Music Society** in Blandford Parish Church. *The Green and Pleasant Land* – a programme of English choral music performed by The Occasional Singers and Sing for Pleasure Choir directed by Richard Hall, Director of DRMS. The two choirs will be presenting a thoroughly English programme of music by Vaughan Williams, Parry, Stanford and others. A section will be devoted to music concerning the Great War. Mass by Rick Birley of Dorchester. Admission is free but there will be a retiring collection in aid of DRMS funds.

*Thursday July 12th at 3pm*  
**The Thursday Group** Our last meeting. We enjoy a cream tea in Moreton Garden Centre 'Dovecote Cafe' and say 'Au revoir'. Thank you to all our members and to our lovely Committee. We are sorry to say 'goodbye' but still hope to see them in Church and elsewhere in the town. Maybe something new will take place? St Mary's continue with their monthly Monday meetings and welcome new members. God Bless. *Vernon Moffet* Chairman.

*Saturday 14th July at 9am*  
**Men's Breakfast**, Café on the Green, 7 Dinham Walk, Poundbury DT1 3WU. They normally start 30 minutes later, but are happy to open earlier for us. There is ample free parking adjacent to the venue. For further details please contact David Elliott on 01305 259236, 07776 256537 or by email at davidelliott220@btinternet.com.

*Saturday July 14th at 7.30pm*  
**Summer concert** by the Dorset Sinfonia. St Mary's Church, Dorchester. *First half:* The William Tell Overture by Rossini, 1st Clarinet Concerto by Weber. *Second half:* 5th Symphony by Beethoven and Lorin Maazel.

*Monday 16th July*  
**The Monday Club.** See details on page 11.

*Saturday 21st July at 9.30am*  
**Ladies Breakfast.** Third Saturday of each month excepting for the month of December. The July breakfast will be held at Carluccios, Dorchester. Contact Maureen Shaw 01305 261771.

*Saturday 21st July at 7.30pm*  
**Quiz night** in St George's church hall arranged by the events committee. More details on page 7.

*Saturday 21st July 10.30am-12noon*  
**Bring your Mug Morning – and we will fill it with coffee!** St Simon and St Jude Church, Winterborne Monkton. It is a social event for chat over coffee and biscuits, children and their toys are welcome. In the Church. If it rains come in wellies. See you!

*Sunday 22nd July after 10.15am service*  
**Dragon's** last session before the summer holidays. Everyone is welcome to stay on after the 10.15 service to join in games and enjoy hot dogs and cake as we wish our children a lovely holiday and thank our Dragon leaders who can enjoy a few weeks well deserved rest!

*Thursday 26th July from 10am*  
**Brass Cleaning morning** until noon in the vestry St Mary's Church. This is a social occasion with tea/coffee - and sometimes doughnuts! The brass will remain uncleaned in August.

*Saturday 11th August at 9am*  
**Men's Breakfast**, Reloved, 2 Cornhill, Dorchester DT1 1BA. Sustainable, local, seasonal ingredients homemade with love. For further details please contact David Elliott on 01305 259236, 07776 256537 or by email at davidelliott220@btinternet.com.

*Thursday 16th August at 8pm*  
**The Healing prayer group** will meet at 12, Lime Close.

*Saturday 18th August 10.30am-12noon*  
**Bring your Mug Morning – and we will fill it with coffee!** St Simon and St Jude Church, Winterborne Monkton. It is a social event for chat over coffee and biscuits, children and their toys are welcome. In the Church. If it rains come in wellies. See you!

*Saturday 18th August at 9.30am*  
**Ladies Breakfast.** Third Saturday of each month excepting for the month of December. The August breakfast will be held at Carluccios, Dorchester. Contact Maureen Shaw 01305 261771.

*Saturday 6th October, 9.30 registration – 4pm*  
**Dorset Meditators** – A Day with Stefan Reynolds will also include meditation periods and will offer us all the opportunity to share a contemplative space with existing meditators and others new to contemplative practice. Dorford Centre, Dorchester Baptist Church. Bookings can be made with a donation cheque of £12 (to be made payable to Dorset Meditators) and sent to Rosemary Bassett 12 Lime Close, Dorchester DT1 2HQ. For further information please contact Rosemary 262615 – rosemary.bassett42@gmail.com or Anita 01305 259032 anitafinnigan@hotmail.co.uk.



## SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2018 COMMUNITY LUNCH

In August St Mary's church celebrate Mary the mother of Jesus, who our church is named after. As part of our celebrations we wanted to offer a blessing to the local community, so we thought we'd throw a celebration lunch, with food and fun activities for families. It is all free and everyone is invited.

**Free**

BBQ

Cakes and Ice Cream

Hot and Cold Drinks

Bouncy Castle and Face Painting

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12 Noon until 2pm

