

# Called to be Christ-like

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## Welcome to St Mary's Church!

We are delighted that our services have recommenced:

- **Sunday 8am BCP Holy Communion**
- **Sunday 9.45am Parish Communion**
- **Wednesday 9am Holy Communion**

Those attending services are asked to follow safe worship guidelines – hand sanitising, maintaining safe distances and entering and leaving the church promptly.

The church is also open daily for private prayer – inside you will find resources to help and encourage you as well as a space for reflection and prayer.

In order for this building to remain open, we would ask that you:

- Sanitise your hands
- Observe social distancing guidelines
- Do not touch more furniture than necessary

If you use a leaflet, please either take it home with you or place it in the recycling box provided, for safe disposal.

## St Mary's Online

As well as now being open for worship, we will continue to live stream the 9.45am service for those unable to join us in church. Whether we worship at home or in St Mary's, St Mary's remains a living, celebrating community.

**YouTube:** St Mary's Church, Charlbury  
([https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDb4SzPvqBJTn2VWS9COq\\_g?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDb4SzPvqBJTn2VWS9COq_g?view_as=subscriber))

This has recordings of our services, and videos of other events: flowers in the churchyard, virtual pilgrimages and Bible seminars.

**Facebook:** St Marys Church, Charlbury  
Keep up to date with news of our activities and events.

**Website:** [www.stmaryscharlbury.co.uk](http://www.stmaryscharlbury.co.uk)  
News and information about the current situation regarding access to St Marys and All Saints, weddings and funerals etc can all be found here, as well as links for the current YouTube service.

**Town Website:** [www.charlbury.info](http://www.charlbury.info)  
Services and events are posted in the Events section of the town website.

## Keeping in touch

### Zoom Bible Study

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> 11am.  
'Lost in translation' – an exploration of John's Gospel. Led by Revd John Partington.

### Monday Coffee Club

Coffee and cake delivered to your door on Mondays at 11am, with a chance to join in a group phone conversation.

### Sunday Club (children 4-11)

Join the Sunday Club team via Skype for Bible stories and crafts. Sundays at 10am.

### Bible Story in a Bag (children 4-11)

Weekly Bible story, with reflection and craft (equipment included). Collect from St Marys from Fridays.

### Prayer Bags

Objects and reflections on Biblical themes.

To take part in any of these, contact Jo at [parishoffice@stmaryscharlbury.co.uk](mailto:parishoffice@stmaryscharlbury.co.uk)

## The Church Building

Parts of the present building date from the 12<sup>th</sup> century, though a Saxon church existed here before this. Notice the rounded 12<sup>th</sup> century arches and the more pointed ones from the 13<sup>th</sup>. The main altar is now positioned at the west end of the church, in order to make the most of the light and space; the wooden stairs to the bell-tower make an interesting focal point.

The glassed-in Memorial Chapel houses the town's war memorial. Carved stone heads in the south aisle are said to represent the Abbot of Eynsham, a wool merchant and other citizens of Charlbury.



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We are pleased to talk with anyone about baptisms, weddings, funerals and pastoral needs. Just contact the Vicar or the Parish Office.

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Find us on Facebook:

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*Sharing faith in  
our community  
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