



The Parish of
**Swindon
New Town**

MESSENGER

Sunday 19th July 2026 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday
S. Apollinaris

S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Mark - 9am Toddler Group
S. Mark - 12.30pm Mass
S. Mark - 1-4pm Welcome Space
S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday
S. Laurence of Brindisi

S. Luke - 8am Mass
S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Saviour - 9.30am Mass followed by Open Church
Service of the Word - 11.15am at Kings Court
S. Luke - 1-3pm Welcome Space and Free Shop
S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday
S. Mary Magdalene

S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Mark - 6.30pm Evening Prayer
S. Mark - 7pm Mass

Thursday
S. Bridget of Sweden

S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Luke - 9.30am Mass
S. Mark - 5pm Evening Prayer
Rosary Home Group 6.30pm at 162 William Street

Friday
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S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Mark - BEER FESTIVAL 4-10PM
S. Luke - 6pm Mass
S. Saviour - 7.30pm Youth Group

Saturday
S. James

S. Aldhelm - 10am Mass
BEER FESTIVAL NOON-10PM
S. Luke - 6pm Vigil Mass with readings in Konkani

Sunday 26th July
17th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

S. Mark - 7.30am Said Mass
S. Mark - 8am Morning Prayer
S. Saviour - 9am Sung Mass
S. Mark - 10.30am Sung Mass
S. Luke - 11am Sung Mass
S. Mark - 6pm Choral Evensong & Benediction

GUILD OF S. THÉRÈSE - Our Young Adults Guild meets today, Sunday 19 July, for Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel at S. Mark's, followed by a bring-and-share picnic in the GWR Park. Come for our summer social and invite your friends! Any questions, please speak to Fr Tim or Cameron.

BEER FESTIVAL - Please support and invite friends to the Beer Festival, which is fast approaching. It is from 4pm to 10pm **Friday 24 July** and from noon to 10pm **Saturday 25 July** at S. Mark's in our beautiful churchyard. Last year's was a huge success, in terms of joy, fellowship and welcome, as well as a really big fundraiser for our mission and ministry. We're so grateful to Carol Simmons and the team for the massive amount of work that goes into this.

TICKETS AND SUPPORT - Tickets are available in all the churches, at the parish office during opening hours, at Christ Church parish office, in the Glue Pot and online at <https://ccccswindon.co.uk/page/tickets>. Thank you to everyone who has generously provided sponsorship. If you would like to get involved or to support the Beer Festival in any way please have a word with our lay reader, Carol, or email carol@psnt.uk.

S. MARK'S BIG CLEAN - We're planning a big clean of S. Mark's on Saturday 1 August and would appreciate all hands being on deck. There will be refreshments and plenty to do! Please put the date in your diary if you can come and lend a hand.

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB We will be running a summer holiday club for children aged 11 and older between the 17 and 21 August at S. Mark's Church. There will be sports, games, arts and crafts and fun activities every day and lunch will be provided with a barbeque on the Friday. It will run from 10am until 3pm. The cost for the week is £20. Please contact Tom for more information or to book a space tom@psnt.uk

S. LUKE'S GARDEN - After many years of keeping our garden looking beautiful Lynda Bishop has decided to step down. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her very much on behalf of us all at S. Luke's for her hard work and dedication. This means that we are now looking for a volunteers to continue Lynda's legacy. Anyone interested please speak to Sue Carvell (Churchwarden) or drop an email to sue@psnt.uk.

S. SAVIOUR'S OPEN CHURCH - S. Saviour's will be open for prayer and to welcome visitors every Tuesday after the 9.30am Mass until 12 noon. Everyone is welcome. Please do come along.

TRAINING FOR READERS, INTERCESSIONS, AND SERVERS - On 3 September, at 7pm, Fr Tim & Fr Adam will be hosting a session of training for all of those across the parish who read, lead intercessions, or serve at Mass. This will be held at S. Mark's. If you are involved in any of these ministries then please come to this session. Similarly, if you aren't currently involved in these ministries but would like to know more, please come along! If you have any questions, please speak to Fr Tim or Fr Adam.

WELCOME SPACE- At S. Mark's continues through the summer from 1pm to 4pm on Mondays. The Welcome Space, with Free Shop, at S. Luke's also continues through the summer from 1pm to 3pm on Tuesdays. Everyone is welcome - please do come and support these. If you feel able to help, please contact Tom tom@psnt.uk

TODDLER GROUP will run on Monday 20 from 9am-10.30am at S. Mark's. This will be the last one before the summer break. If you wish to know more, please contact Tom tom@psnt.uk

YOUTH GROUP is now closed for the summer break. We will see you in September. If you wish to know more, please contact Tom tom@psnt.uk

COME TO CHURCH SUNDAY ON SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER we will be launching our new All Age Mass which will happen monthly at S. Saviours. This is a new initiative to encourage some of our new Messy Church families as well as our uniformed organisations to come along. It will feature a more child friendly homily and some new music. We're also encouraging everyone to come along to this as it will be the first Sunday after the Summer holidays when many people are away. We will finish with brunch in the hall. Please put the date in your diaries!

CONFIRMATIONS - Bishop Paul will be with us to administer the sacrament of confirmation on Monday 5 October (the Mass will be at 7pm). Confirmation preparation for adults will take place on Saturday mornings at 10.30am at S. Aldhelm's - a programme of those sessions is now available. Please contact Fr Tim for more details fr.tim@psnt.uk
Confirmation classes for children will run over the summer - please be in contact with Tom Dumbell for details of these tom@psnt.uk.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE - We have booked the dates for our 2027 Walsingham Pilgrimage - Monday 6 September to Friday 10 September. All are welcome, please speak to the clergy or to Linda if you are interested.

TODAY WE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DEPARTED

Evelyn Bartlett, Reg Hardwick

YEAR'S MIND

[20] Thelma Hooper, Dorothy Venn, Norman Fraser Taylor, Tony Winslow

[21] Ivor Homer, Elmira Curnow [22] Muriel Plaister, Sidney Avenell

[23] Joyce Shellard, Edna Hunt [25] Vera Homer, Andrew Blair (priest),

Lilian Davis, Roy Edwards, Stuart Fred Louis Sweet

FLOWERS AT S. MARK today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Tony Winslow

FOR YOUR WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS - Richard & Maddie Charman, John Wilson, Sue Davis, Margaret Stevenson, Chris Ockwell, Roy Norton, Wagner Lisboa, Joe Hicks, Katie Joseph, Sarah Druett, Renelle Nunes, Moncy Miranda, Moina Clement, Lourenco Gonsalves, Kayleigh Winbow, Grace King, Barbara Sheppard, Lynn Thrussell, Kylie Lawson, Sally Hobbs, Carole New, James, Zara Pemberton, baby Ario, Santana Pinto, Graham Findlay, George Maidment

HOME COMMUNICANTS - Muriel Avenell, Betty Mitchell, Owen Shellard, Maurice Lidgely, Beryl & Les Howell, Cynthia Strudwick,

PASTORAL CARE - Please do feel free to call the clergy if there is anything they can do to support you or others you know with any pastoral or spiritual needs.

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For this week's readings see <https://universalis.com/20260719/mass.htm>

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 1Kgs 3:5-12; Ps 118; Rom 8:28-30; Matt 13:44-52

PARISH OFFICE - Contact Linda McEntee Tel: 01793 538220

Mon 9-11am, Thurs 9am-1pm, Friday 9-12noon office@psnt.uk

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PLANNED GIVING- If you would like to have a boxed set of envelopes, please contact John Bishop.

Alternatively if you would prefer to make your offering by bank transfer, our banking details are: Parish of Swindon New Town PCC, Sort code 40-52-40, Account number 00024962.

(Please use S. Mark, S. Saviour or S. Luke as your reference or say what the payment is for, if not for planned giving) John Bishop treasurer@psnt.uk



St Saviour's

OPEN CHURCH

Tuesdays 10-12

**A warm welcome
and quiet space for everyone**



Coffee



Reflect



Welcome



Friday 24th July
4pm - 10pm
Saturday 25th July
Noon - 10pm

At the Parish Church of S. Mark the
Evangelist, Church Place, SN1 5EH
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Beer & Cider Festival

Sponsored by



Over 20 beers & ciders served on tap!

Tickets £12 per day or £20 for both days

Includes a festival glass & your first drink!

£2 per drink

(1/2 pint of beer/cider, or a non-alcoholic beverage)

- Hot Food vendors
- Bar snacks
- Live music from 6pm
both days

CAMRA member?
Have an extra drink
FREE!



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**AGE 11+
YEARS**



Yo! Youth SUMMER club

AUGUST 17TH - 21ST

**St Mark's Church, Church Place,
Swindon (next to the GWR Park)**

A summer club open to young people aged 11-17.
The club will run Monday - Friday from 10am - 3pm.

Lunch will be provided every day,
with a barbeque on the final day.

There will be sports activities outside,
and arts, crafts and other activities inside.

The cost is £20 for the week.

Message Tom 07376317543 for more information
or to book a place.

