Pew Sheet: Sun 4th Oct, Saint Mary's Anglican Church



Parish Office Hours & Contacts

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Vicar: Rev. David Smithson

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10am Animal Blessing Service

Sermon: "St Francis" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Stephanie Landon

October the 3rd is the date in which Franciscan's (or any Christian) celebrates the feast of St Francis's Transitus (or transition from this world to the next). St Francis is the patron saint of animals and ecology. This Sunday we are holding a brief service to mark this occasion by holding our annual Animal Blessing service, where your pets come along to church, and are brought forward to be blessed with a sprinkle of holy water. We will also learn a bit about St Francis, his love of animals, and his love of Jesus. God bless, David



October services: Please note that on the Sunday's of Oct 11th and 25th there will be no services held at St Mary's, and the church office will also be closed on the Fridays of the 2nd, 9th and 23rd

Foodbank: The current need is: cereals, jam or any spreads, washing powder, baby food, toilet soap. These can be placed in the offering basket in the church porch.

Donate to help Persecuted Christians Please give generously – the giving box for this is on the Welcome Table at the entrance of the church

Readings for 4th Oct:

OT: Genesis 2:15-21a **NT:** James 3:7 **Gospel:** Luke 12:6-7

Children's Church/Junior Youth: Kids (and adults!) have your special pets blessed!

Youth: Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church – combined churches



+ Prayer Points +

- For wise leadership and decisions in regards to the migrant crisis in Europe.
- For Albert and Karen as they mourn the loss of Alberts Brother-in-law
- For smooth organizing of the Christmas Fair and for willing hands to help

