

# Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Nov



## Parish Office Hours & Contacts

**Office Hours:** Fridays 9am to 3pm

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**Vicars Warden:** Roger Jennings 07 8525008

## 10:00am Family Communion

**Sermon:** "Encourage One Another" Rev David

**Refreshments:** Katy Cockerton

St Mary's as a church is a local Community of believers. Why? Because we were not made to live the Christian life alone. We were not made to follow God by ourselves. Imagine a fire full of hot embers. If you take a single ember out of that fire and put it by itself, it soon goes out. No long-term "lone ranger" can be a true disciple of Christ. All who truly desire to follow Christ must find their place in a church community. The Church teaches, encourages, and meets each other's needs. Hebrews 10:25 says *"And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near."* Attend church regularly – it's good for you and for your Community, to be there for each other and to encourage one other, especially during difficult times. 😊

God bless. David

## Readings for 18<sup>th</sup> November:

**OT:** 1 Samuel 1:4-20

**NT:** Hebrews 10:19-25

**Gospel:** Mark 13:1-8

**Reader:**

**Children:** Kids activity packs with a chocolate treat 😊

**Youth:** Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church, Gordonton, & Weds 7pm "Ignite" @ - Horsham Downs Church.



## + Prayer Points +

- For Roger and Rosalie & family, and Kerry and Lou, Alice & Sam.
- For those sitting exams at this time



In case of an emergency during a church service, please note the nearest exit: Front porch entrance and the side door to the vestry office. Fire extinguishers are also located near these two doorways.

**Shoobox Christmas appeal:** For men who have been realised from prison: Please fill a shoebox with toiletries, puzzle books, confectionary, socks etc then gift wrap it. Please leave this at the back of the church by Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec.

**Foodbank:** Current needs are tinned tomatoes, tinned soups, sugar, pasta sauce, pasta, rice, milk powder. Perhaps some special Christmas treats?

