

## NEWS FROM THE FAMILIES TEAM AT ST MARY'S CHURCH



Dear Parents and Guardians,

January 2021

Things are changing at St Mary's Church! There have been exciting developments in our online presence that are allowing us to continue 'doing church' during this lockdown whilst keeping everyone as safe as possible. We really value everyone at St Mary's School as part of our Christian community so we're writing with information about the ways in which we're providing better resources for children and families over the new lockdown:

Every Sunday, we premiere two pre-recorded acts of worship on our [church YouTube channel](#). One of these, at 10.30am, will be a 10 minute video for younger families, with a bible story, short talk, prayer and challenge for each week ([click here for the first one](#)), and could help to supplement collective worship if your child is learning from home. Messy Church will be [Click&Collect Messy Church](#) this Sunday 24th January. You can still book places via our website and activity packs will be ready for collection that afternoon. If you are isolating and live in the Charminster area then we may be able to deliver to your doorstep.

On our website you can find a [page of family resources](#) with videos, apps and templates to engage with faith as a family at home, as well as templates to make special lockdown thank you letters for teachers.

As ever, everything we do is open to all and our website will be kept up-to-date as lockdown progresses. You can also find links to our church values and beliefs there and a closer glimpse into what 'normal' church looks like when we're able to welcome families into our building. Please don't hesitate to contact Rev'd Mark, Rev'd Leila or Rev'd Pene if you need a chat or more faith resources to support you and your family through this lockdown. You can find our details via the contact page on the website (below).

May God bless you and surround you with His steadfast love through this uncertain period.



Rev'd Mark, Rev'd Leila, Rev'd Pene  
and the Families Team.

*Rev'd Mark*

*Rev'd Leila*

*Rev'd Pene*

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