

Parish Mission Action Plan (pMAP) for St Mary-the-Virgin, Silchester

As formulated by the Local Ministry Team in August, agreed by the Standing Committee in September, and approved by the Parochial Church Council in October 2015, the pMAP for the parish of ST Mary-the-Virgin, Silchester, is focused on the three areas detailed below. It should be noted that as we enter a vacancy in Resident Priest, this pMAP is provisional and will be amended according to the vision, resources and gifts of our new priest.

It should, however, be noted that these three areas represent only a small fraction of the many initiatives that are supported by the parish, some of which are project-based and time-limited, others of which are long term commitments.

Focus/ Strategic priority	Actions	Owner/Partners	Stages/Dates
<p>1. We re-imagine church: Develop links with Silchester Primary School so that the school and church function as a unified body in mission and spiritual formation.</p> <p>Extending and building on existing strong links with the school through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collective Worship • RE in the curriculum • Living Bible clubs • Church/School visits 	Change location of key Church services to the school	KB/RH, EPW, Kathryn Williams, Gail Smith	Christingle
			Harvest Festival
	Develop spirituality of whole school community	CP/RH, EPW, KW, GS	Living Bible clubs RE and curriculum links Creative use of spaces in building and grounds
	Explore and extend use of school premises for mission and disciple making.	RH, EPW, CTAT +	Café Church
	Plant new events/services in school premises		Messy Church
			Annual Summer Holiday Club

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<p>2. SP 4 - We belong together in Christ, practising sacrificial living and good stewardship of all that God has entrusted to us.</p> <p>Develop a Strategy for refurbishment of Mission Church to provide a base for mission within the village.</p>	Set up Working Party	RH, MC, EPW, VP	Agree intentions for future use of the building
	Consult local community on future uses		Define nature of refurbishment required
	Generate refurbishment plan with costs		Gain agreement for strategy from PCC and key local groups
<p>3. SP 1 - We grow authentic disciples.</p> <p>Develop Parish use of Communication, with particular reference to use and development of the web site to attract new and younger worshipping community, and wedding couples</p>	Train key communicators in full use of website	MC, Pete Hughes,	Re-energise refurbishment project (project group, permissions, fund raising, etc)
	Incorporate content with appeal to younger age profile		Review of Silchester Magazine
			Development strategy for web site and facebook page
			Sourcing young adult and youth materials for website
			Training