

Parish of St Mary's Redbourn



**There's More to Church
Than Sundays**

**Renewal Launch
Sunday 3rd October
St Mary's, Redbourn**

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St Mary's Renewal Programme

In October we will be embarking on a Renewal Programme consisting of a series of events designed to help every member of our Church review their relationship with God and create a lasting legacy for years to come.

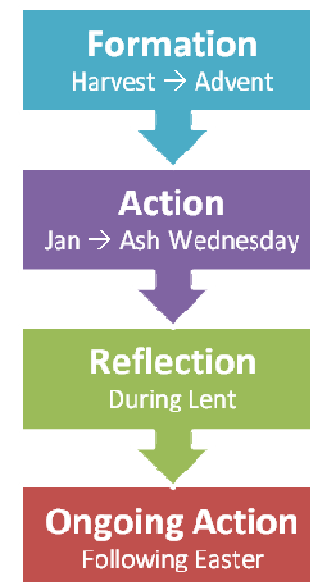
The theme of the Renewal is **"There's More to Church Than Sundays"** which means exactly what it says. There are numerous activities taking place throughout the week and the programme will create the opportunity for all of us to participate in these activities and grow together spiritually.

The Renewal will include a number of events, activities and information; a quiz night, house groups, prayer leaflets, talks, activity cards, discussion groups, informational leaflets, pub groups and much more.

We have also arranged a Parish Weekend in October where a number of us will visit Ashburnham Place. Everyone is very welcome – more information and a booking form are provided overleaf.

The Renewal Programme is split into four phases and it all starts with a special **Harvest Service on Sunday 3rd October**, so please put this date in your diary. The service will take place at 10.30am followed by lunch.

Hopefully you have picked up a bookmark to go with your holiday reading that provides a reminder of the date and some of the events. More details will be provided in September.



How will you get involved?

Sunday 11th July 2010



Parish Weekend

We have arranged to take a party away for a Parish Weekend at Ashburnham Place near Battle, East Sussex. This will take place over the weekend of **22nd/23rd/24th October 2010**. We will arrive on the Friday evening and leave after lunch on Sunday.

Ashburnham Place is situated in over 220 acres of beautiful grounds designed and constructed in the mid-eighteenth century by Lancelot 'Capability' Brown. For more details see their website – www.ashburnham.org.uk.

The weekend will consist of a number of organised activities and time to enjoy each other's company and create lasting links in a relaxed environment. Overall it's about having fun together and exploring and strengthening our relationship with God and each other. You will not spend the whole weekend with your head in a bible!

The weekend is open to everyone who worships at St Mary's and anyone from the village who would like to join us.

To help us understand about the venue and the activities, the Vicar has invited **Andrew Wooding Jones** to preach to us today (11th July). Andrew is the Resident Director at Ashburnham Place and knows St Mary's well through his brother Ian.

The cost is likely to be in the region of £100 for adults and £50 for children, but we would not want this to be a barrier to anyone attending. Please contact Michael Wood or the Vicar to discuss.

Accommodation is in 5-6 rooms that are in a corridor, which all have a wash basin in the room and share a shower and toilet area. Rooms are available as singles, double, twin and family (one double bed & one bunk bed).

The full programme will be put together when we know numbers. To book your place, please complete the form opposite **by Wednesday 21st July** and return to Michael Wood together with a £20 deposit per person.

I look forward to a rewarding weekend.

Michael Wood, Stewardship Committee Chairman
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Parish Weekend

I / we would like to attend the Parish Weekend at Ashburnham Place on 22nd/23rd/24th October 2010.

Name and Contact Details

Full Name:

Address:

..... Postcode:.....

Phone:..... Date:

Email:

Number of People

Adults Children

I enclose a deposit of £_____ (£20 per person)

(Cash or a cheque payable to "St Mary's Church")

Please return by Wednesday 21st July return to: Michael Wood
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