

St Mary's, Hardwick, Mission Action Plan 2012

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Objective	Project	Who coordinates?	Focus when?
To engage through improving communication (amongst congregation and within village) (mark 1)	Place a noticeboard outside the church	Alison (& Vicki)	Spring/summer
	Complete the website	Vicki & Robert	Spring/summer
	Promote use of the welcome brochure & e-mailing list	Sidespeople	Ongoing
To sustain and deepen work with families, children and young people (mark 2, 3)	Continue with new calendar of family events & with development of Sunday Club	Vicki (with Sunday Club team)	Over the year
	Explore possible ways of working with toddlers & their families	TBC	Summer
To develop the physical space we have to support family & other activities (mark 1, 2, 3, 5)	Develop the car park and 'garden' area.	Caroline	Spring/summer
	Explore options & make plans for replacing the portacabin	Malcolm (with team)	Options – Spring Plans - Summer
	Look at how we make the most of the church building	PCC	Autumn
To deepen faith and integrate it with rest of life – discipleship (mark 2, 4)	Offer an 'Exploring...' course	Boyd	Spring
	Become a 'fair-trade' church	Lois	Summer/Autumn

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The five marks of mission

1. To proclaim the good news of the Kingdom

Proclamation may be in words - effective communication of the Gospel - but also in actions, by living the Good News we preach.

2. To teach, baptise and nurture one another

Christian discipleship is about lifelong learning, so we all need formal and informal resources for growing in faith, so that the Church is a learning environment for all ages.

3. To respond to human need by loving service

Churches have a long tradition of care through pastoral ministry. Christians are called to respond to the needs of people locally and in the wider human community.

4. To seek to transform unjust structures in society

Jesus and the OT prophets before him challenged oppressive structures in God's name. Christians should not only press for change, but also demonstrate justice within Church structures.

5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth

The Bible's vision of salvation is universal in its scope. We are called to promote the well being of the human community and its environment, so that Creation may live in harmony.