

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

At St Wilfrid's Annual Parochial Church Meeting, which took place on Sunday 9th of April, the members present decided to change the monthly service pattern to try and address the decline in numbers attending services over the past 18 months.

The new pattern will commence from the beginning of May, and will be as follows:

### **First Sunday of the month**

**8am Holy Communion (No hymns)**

**4pm All-age Worship (geared towards families with young children)**

### **Second Sunday of the month**

**9.30am Parish Communion (With hymns)**

### **Third Sunday of the month**

**8am Holy Communion (No hymns)**

### **Fourth Sunday of the month**

**9.30am Parish Communion (With hymns)**

### **Fifth Sunday of the month (when there is one)**

**9.30am Benefice Communion with St Mary's Church, South Milford (Alternates between St Wilfrid's and St Mary's)**

The idea behind the changes is to have one service each Sunday morning, and ensure that none of them finish later than 10.30am to give people time to still enjoy the Sunday with family and friends.

Also the first Sunday afternoon 4pm 'All-age Worship Service' is thought to be at a better time for families, who often see Sunday morning as the only time they get to have breakfast together and relax in light of the busy lives everyone leads.

The above change in the service pattern will be reviewed by the Parochial Church Council after a three month trial.