ALL SAINTS MESSENGER

SUNDAY 8th December 2019

10.30am **Holy Communion**

SUNDAY 15th December 2019 10.30am **Holy Communion** Please see notice overleaf of midweek services during Advent



A very warm welcome to All Saints. If you are a visitor, we do extend a particularly warm welcome to you. If you would like any help or more information about the church or the services, then please speak to one of the welcome team. Back Supports and large print copies of hymns are available, as well as in induction hearing loop – please ask for details of how to make use of this. Toilets & baby changing facilities are located at the back of the church under the bell tower. Children are very welcome at all our services and there are activities available for them. If you have young children,

please ask for a 'pew bag' which contains some specific toys/activities for them or please make use of the children's area. Please check the notices for children's' activities.

REGULAR SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAYS `

THE JOLLY TEAPOT 11am -1.00pm

You'll see this sign hanging on the gate of All Saints every Wednesday morning, when the Church is open from 11.00am until 1.00pm. Come in for a chat and coffee and cake, (or tea). It's also a good opportunity for visitors to look round the Church and avail themselves of the printed guides, or for people to bring food items for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Some people may just want to sit quietly. All will be welcome. Donations for coffee go to All Saints Church Funds.

HOLY COMMUNION 10.30am

Midweek Holy Communion – Every Wednesday, in Church, preceding The Jolly Teapot. Join for coffee afterwards. **2pm -3pm (in term time)** FIRST STEPS

For pre-schooler's & their parents/grandparents/carers - Stories, Songs, Craft, Activities, Refreshments. All Welcome **MOTHERS' UNION** <u> 2pm – 3pm</u>

Held monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at Evelyn Hutchinson's, 3 Stanwell Lea. Everyone welcome. THURSDAYS

LADIES QUEST DISCUSSION GROUP 8pm-9.30pm

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the Month during Term Time, further details from Jane Bullock on 711 531 **BELL RINGING** 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Church Bellringing practice every Thursday, please contact Richard Solesbury-Timms on 07456716031 for details. Please check with group activity leaders as some activities may run differently during holiday periods.

PRAYER - If you have an urgent prayer request you can activate the prayer chain at any time. Please call or text either Di (01295 713838 or 07711 237 389) or Mary (07842 162 795) All prayer requests treated with confidentiality.



Middleton Cheney Singers present





Saturday 14th December 2.30 p.m. All Saints Church, Middleton Cheney

Come and enjoy some of your favourite Christmas Music



Proceeds towards the church roof and the choir

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 7th December 11.00am to 4.00pm 8th December 12.30pm to 4.00pm

Entry to this spectacular festival in the church is free. However, if you would like to display a tree and have the public judge it, the fee is £10. You need to contact Caroline Stacev on 01295 710258 or cmstacey50@gmail.com to book a space in



Friday 20th December 7pm Social evening at All Saints



A light-hearted event with Mince Pies and Carols

FOOD BANK

Many thanks to everyone for giving so generously to the Salvation Army Food Bank. This week we asked if there were any special items they needed for Christmas, and it seems that in addition to the usual kind seasonal donations they would really appreciate some men's toiletries and gifts (eg socks!) Apparently when it comes to the gifts, they distribute at the Christmas lunch that they

serve, the men sometimes get left out. Thank you!



HAVE YOU EVER LOOKED IN AWE AT OUR CHURCH WINDOWS?

This is the front cover of the book which we have created to bring knowledge about the beautiful stained-glass windows in the church to a wider audience. For the first time it assembles what is known about these windows by Morris & Co. It contains stunning colour photography, revealing details impossible to see from floor level. As well as being a comprehensive account of the windows it contains an architectural history of the church, a short history of Morris's involvement with stained glass and a theological commentary on the windows. Supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund, it costs £10, is an informative tribute to All Saints and will make an excellent Christmas present. We hope to



have copies on sale first at the Christmas Tree Festival on 7 & 8 December.

CHRISTMAS 2019 AT ALL SAINTS

Sunday 8th 10.30am Holy Communion Sunday 15th 10.30am Holy Communion Sunday 22nd 6pm Carols by Candlelight Followed by mince pies, mulled wine, tea and coffee Christmas Eve 3.00 pm Crib Service 11.30pm Midnight Communion Christmas Day 9.30 am Family Christmas Communion with blessing of toys Sunday 29th December 10.30am Benefice Communion at All Saints Weekday services Each Monday (2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd) 8am Morning prayer Each Wednesday (4th, 11th and 18th) 10.30 Holy Communion Each Friday (6th, 13th and 20th) 5.30pm Evening Prayer these will be short 20–30 minute

BRING-AND-SHARE in 2020

The next Bring-and-Share meal will in All Saints Church on **Sunday January 5th** at 12.30pm following the Morning service. Baked potatoes will be provided,



just bring a topping for the potatoes, or a pudding, to share. Everyone welcome, start the New Year with hot potatoes and in good company!

MESSENGER

Please note that there will be no weekly notice sheet on the 29^{th} December 2019.

Any notices for this week or early January 2020 should be received by the 18th December to ensure they can be included in plenty of time for the 22nd December issue. Many Thanks.

Notice should be submitted to Heidi Fowler by e-mail to h.fowler@wg-plc.com, or to 18 Astrop Road. Items for inclusion should be received by 5pm Wednesday to ensure inclusion for the coming Sunday.

Contacts - Church Wardens: Bridget Robb 710192 & Mike Wilks 711516. For Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms please contact; Rector - Rev. Nick Leggett: 07925 419068 Email: leggett1uwe@yahoo.co.uk Associate Priest – Rev. Carolyn Oley: 01280701311 Email: Carolyn.oley@btinternet.com

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