

St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 13th December 2015



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday Club

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WE WELCOME all who join us for our service today. Please stay on for coffee or squash – the time to meet and greet.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

....*those who suffer in mind, body or spirit:* Angie Rigney; Jean Mattock; Mark Williams; Yvonne Milne; Bert Hobby; Ben Pratt; Janet Wilgrass; John Searle; Eli Garland; Anne Tasker; Timothy Shillito

....*those in care homes:* Pat Cook; Barbara Sunderland; Eileen Shelvey

....*R.I.P:* Jane Hall; Doreen Robson, Margaret Walker

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 14th – 9.00am Morning Prayer

9am – 1.00pm Church open

Tuesday 15th – 6.00pm Jumping Dolphins

7.00pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Bellingring Practice

Wednesday 16th – 9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion

9am – 1.00pm Church open

Thursday 17th – 2.00pm Henlow Academy Year 5

Christmas Service

Friday 18th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

9am – 1.00pm Church open

11.00am Raynsford Academy Christmas Service

Saturday 19th - 10am - 1pm church open.

NEXT SUNDAY 20th December 2015

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11.00am Sung Eucharist

6.00pm Service of Nine Lessons & Carols

NOTICES

Leaflet distribution - Many thanks to all who distributed the Christmas leaflet around the village – hopefully everyone received one. There are a few left at the back of the church if you have not had one – it contains details of all the Christmas events at St Mary's and Henlow Methodist Church over the Christmas period.

Breakfast on Sunday December 27th

As last year, we will be providing breakfast in church at 9.30am on the Sunday after Christmas. Please sign the list at the back if you will be joining us.

Church Decoration - We will be making Christingles in church on **Monday 21st**

December and decorating the church on **Tuesday 22nd December**, both at 10am. Any help would be most welcome, as would contributions please to the cost of the flowers, which should be given to Pat Tomlinson or one of the churchwardens.

Jackie and Alan Painter would like to wish you all a very blessed and happy Christmas, and a peaceful and prosperous New Year. A donation will be given to St Mary's church in lieu of cards.

Phil Groom has compiled a brief report with photos of the **Crib Festival**. Follow this link to see more:

www.henlowchurch.org.uk/henlow-news.htm#cribfest2015

Don't forget you can also find details of what's on in our online diary at

www.henlowchurch.org.uk/diary.htm

St Mary's Church Henlow invites you to

***A Festival of Nine
Lessons and Carols for
Congregation & Choir
Sunday 20th December
2015***

Led by the Revd Canon Sue Groom



On Christmas Eve...

At 4.00pm there will be a Christingle Service at St Mary's – all donations to the Children's Society

And at 11.15pm – Midnight Mass

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