

St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 16th November 2014



THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

11.00am Parish Eucharist

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

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

....those who suffer in mind, body or spirit: Angie Rigney; Sue Denwood; Jean Mattock; Mark Williams; Yvonne Milne; Bert Hobby; Eli Garland; Ben Pratt; Michael Jordan; Tom Vincent; David Wilson; Canon Liz Hughes; Wally Clarke; Keith Wetherall

....those in care homes: Jessie Child; Pat Cook; Clemency Clarke; Sarah Scott

....R.I.P: All the Faithful Departed

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 17th - 9.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday 18th - 7.00pm Choir Practice
8.00pm Bellingring practice
Wednesday 19th - 9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Communion
Friday 21st - 9.00am Morning Prayer

Take time this Advent to pause

Connections for Life is a daily opportunity to think prayerfully about your relationship with the world, with other people and with God - and to allow that reflection to shape your life and actions.

Receive a brief email: a bible verse, a short reflection, an image and a challenge for each day.
Or get texts to your phone, or follow [@live_challenge](https://twitter.com/live_challenge).

Stop and think. Pray and act

Connections for Life begins Sunday 30th November 2014.

Sign up at www.livethechallenge.co.uk

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER TO THE EDITOR, JAMES BURGESS (Tel 01462 700115)

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NEXT SUNDAY 23rd November

THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING 11.00am Sung Eucharist

NOTICES

The **Coffee morning** last Wednesday was well attended again and appears to be a welcome fixture in people's diaries. The next one will be on Wednesday 3rd December at the usual time of 10.45 am in the church.

The **Benefice Service** on Sunday 30th November will be at St Andrew's BUT will be at 11 am followed by a Bring & Share lunch. St Mary's have been asked to provide puddings and there will be a list at the back of the church for attendance, and contributions please.

Phil Groom writes:

Your Church, Your Website. Have you visited the church website recently? If not, please do, and please let me know what you think of the latest updates. Please remember that it's *your* website and needs your input and suggestions to keep it up to date. Even more importantly, for visitors and newcomers to the area, it can be their first point of contact with us, a virtual doorway that's open 24/7, so please try to look at it as if you were a newcomer: does it invite you in or put you off? Does anything need changing to make it more welcoming? How easy is it to find your way around or to find what you're looking for? Please speak to me or email me with your suggestions. Thank you.

On Sunday 30th November at 6.00pm there will be a service of **Readings and Carols for Advent** at St Mary's.



Make this beautiful celebration in word and song the start of *your* preparation for the coming of the Lord.....