



St Mary's News

"One Church Worshipping in Different ways"

During November

All Services

ONLY online

Depending on COVID updates any of these could be changed but we would notify you through our Newsheet mailings

Sunday 15th Nov

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 22nd November

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 29th November

Advent Sunday

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 6th December

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

11am St Mary's @11

Sunday 13th December

8am BCP Holy Communion

9:30am Holy Communion

(4pm Christingle -just online)

Sunday 20th December

8am BCP Holy Communion

6pm Carol Service

(booking required)

24th Christmas Eve

(4pm – Nativity – just online)

11pm Midnight Communion

(booking required)

25th Christmas Day

10am –Christmas Communion

(booking required)

www.smlm.co.uk/livestream/

[St Mary's Calendar](#)

Welcome to the St Mary's Church family

We are a diverse Church community meeting in and for our village

Christmas Services

Whilst we don't know exactly where we will be, in terms of restrictions, by the end of December, we have been putting plans in place for our **Christmas services**.

The current plan is to hold the following special services in St Mary's church:

- **Carol Service** at 6pm on Sunday December 20th
- **Midnight Communion** on 11pm on Thursday December 24th
- **Christmas Day Communion 10am** on Friday December 25th

To attend these services, due to space restrictions, you will need to **book a seat** by contacting **Elizabeth Carter** with your name, contact details and the number of people who will need a seat together. Those present will need to abide by whatever restrictions are in place, which may include face coverings, no singing, and no social gathering.

The plan is to also livestream these services as well. There are two services that will be online only, the **Christingle Service** available from 4pm on Sunday December 13th, and the **Nativity Service** available at 4pm on Christmas eve. These details will also appear in the December Parish Magazine, on our website and Facebook pages. It is going to be a very different Christmas but our worship, whether at home or in Church, will continue one way or another, as we remember God coming down to be with us at that first Christmas. **Stephen**

The Chequers Christmas Market

If this goes ahead we will have a table on 5th, 12th & 19th December. If you are able to help please kindly remember us. Donations of pickles, jams etc, toiletries can be delivered to a member of the fundraising team nearest you: Debbie, Ann Manning, Ann Robinson, Karen, Sheila or Jackie. Our details are in the prayer booklet. Or phone Jackie on **01202 632298** and collection can be arranged. If you are able to help, please let us know! We need to fill the times slots on each day with one hour slot per person – More helpers less time standing outside. **PLEASE** consider giving up just an hour of your time on a Saturday. Thank you for your continued support.

The Fundraising Team

Climate Crisis

On **Sunday 22nd Nov**. Tearfund, Christian Aid and Cafod are hosting an on line service about the climate crisis. This takes place between 2 and 3pm, for more details and the link to join go to the Tearfund or C.A. websites.

Sheila Newnham

News Sheet

If you would like to get the News sheet by email please contact Debbie (See below)
Or visit
<http://www.smlm.co.uk/blog/>

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Give Thanks

- for the mild, sunny weather God has blessed us with this week, making it easier to walk outside to get some fresh air

Pray For

- those who are sick or waiting for operations. May they be aware of the peace and comfort that God brings us

A Christmas Opportunity

Some of you may remember a book of reflections that the Church of England published last year along with an associated smartphone app and the facility to have a daily email from Christmas Day until New Years Day. There is a new one this year entitled 'Comfort and Joy' based on several favourite Christmas Carols. You can find our more here:

www.churchofengland.org/ComfortAndJoy

I am planning to order a small number of books to give out at church, but I am also planning to put a book in each of the Christmas Cards that I deliver to those in my road, perhaps you might consider doing the same for a few people in your neighbourhood? 10 books cost just £7 and you can get them here:
www.chpublishing.co.uk/comfortandjoy Stephen

Church Gifts

We still have some items for sale. See a photo of them here

<https://www.smlm.co.uk/2020/10/30/can-we-help-you/>

Please Contact Bill and Elizabeth Carter for all orders;

Clevegoldcarters@yahoo.co.uk

01202 625296 or text **07815 953508**

Coffee...Continued! ☕

Have you thought of buying a packet to send to a friend who you can't meet up with during this time, even a small Christmas gift with your card? £1.20 a packet or a deal if you're buying more.

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Church Calendar

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November		
Nov 29	Advent Sunday	
December		
Dec 13	Christingle Sunday 4pm	Just Online
Dec 20	Carol Service Sunday 6pm	Booking required
Dec 24	Nativity service 4pm	Just Online
Dec 24	Midnight Communion 11pm	Booking required
Dec 25	Christmas Day Communion 10am	Booking required