

27th October 2019 - Last Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to the Parishes of Stansted Mountfitchet, Birchanger and Farnham. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are here for the first time or visiting from another church, do stay for coffee and introduce yourself.

STEWARDSHIP SCHEME

The new monthly and weekly envelopes for the next year are now at the back of the Church on the Sidesmen's Desk, these are for November 2019 until October 2020. If anyone else requires envelopes either for monthly or weekly giving please let me know as I do have extra envelopes on request. These envelopes are a great way to ensure that if you are a tax payer gift aid can be claimed to the monies you give to the Church.

Julie Lenton, 813208, julietlenton52@btinternet.com

TEAMS4U SHOEBOXES: QUIZ NIGHT

We have some lovely shoe boxes to send off, but each one costs £2.50 to transport to the children. If you come to our Quiz on Saturday 2nd November at St Therese's Parish Centre at a cost of £5, 7pm for 7.30. This will send two boxes. So please come to an enjoyable evening in support of a very good cause to help give a child a present at Christmas. Entrance £5 on the door or tickets in advance from Eileen Quinn 812109 or Helen Baker 814865. Please bring your own drink and food refreshments as no supper will be provided in order to maximise profits. There will be a raffle to try to boost funds too. If you can't attend but would like to make a donation, please contact Eileen or Helen.

David Morson, St Therese's Church

BIBLE STUDY

Please note, tomorrow's Bible Study will be at The Rectory, 1.30pm to 3pm.

ALL SOULS' SERVICE, 3rd NOVEMBER at 4 PM!

Please write any names to be read out at this service on the list at the back of St John's Church, or alternatively email the church office st.johns.church@btinternet.com

MEDITATION GROUP

Please note that there will be no meeting on Wednesday 6th November. Revd Helen

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:Farnham Christmas Tree Festival on **14**th **December!**

ST JOHN'S CHRISTMAS MARKET SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 12 NOON - 3 PM

As mentioned in last week's Bulletin, the Grand Draw tickets have arrived! We have allocated two books of tickets to electoral roll members, in the hope that you will be good enough to approach friends and neighbours to ask for their support. The first prize is a week's seaside holiday which should appeal to people of all ages. Addressed envelopes with an explanatory letter and tickets are on the Sidesmen's table at the back of church. Please take your own, and if you can deliver others in your area, that would be appreciated. If you are not on the electoral roll and would like tickets, please ask us. As we said before, our Christmas Market will be the church's main fund raising event of the year, and if we all pull together, we can have a happy day whilst making some much-needed funds for our church.

Kathy West & Margaret Hill

TOILETRIES STALL

Dear Friends, I shall once again be running the Toiletries Stall at the Market. I think you can guess what comes next! Please would you check your cupboards, drawers and consider donating any unused or unwanted toiletry gifts to the stall. This includes cosmetics, perfume, bath products, baby toiletries and products for men. Boxed sets are always particularly popular on the day. I can collect donations or they can be left at the back of the Church with my name on. Thank you so much.

Ann Lee, 01279 813310, ann@robandann.com

GIFT STALL

We would be most grateful for donations of Gifts to sell on our stall at the Christmas Market. They can be left labelled at the back of the church or I can collect. Thank You.

Christine Stiles 813172

NOTE FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Please note the church office will be closed on Monday 28th and Wednesday 30th October due to half term.

I thank you for your understanding. Barbora Dragoskova

27TH OCTOBER – LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

238, 728, 698, 403, 454 Hymns: Anthem: 'Teach us Good Lord' Ogden

Bible Readings

Interceder: Alan Corbishley

Jeremiah 14.7-10, 19-22 Reading: Reader: Margaret Chastney

Gospel: Luke 18.9-14

Traditional Collect

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures

to be written for our learning:

grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

3RD NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS

Bible Readings

Interceder: Janet Wilkin

Reading: Ephesians 1.11-23 Reader: Cheryl McGreal Luke 6.20-31 Gospel:

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Florence Rapkin being baptised in St John's this afternoon. For her parents and godparents, may they help her understand how to live the life in a Christian way.

Dawn Venables, Ron Etherington, Kay Everitt, Crystal Cock, Veronica Lynch, Annette Warner, Georgina Kemp, Robert Stubbings, Gillian, that they will have God's healing and peace

as they need it and that their families and friends will know God's strength as they support them.

Those who have recently died, especially Ronald William White, Dorothy Joan Turner, for their friends and families, and for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time,

especially Susan Margaret Berriman from Stansted.

Lord, help us to grow in faith, hope and love as we spend time with you and your Word this coming week. Help us also to support others as they grow in their faith.

THE WEEK AHEAD

St John's Stansted

Tuesday 9.15am - St John's Tots Wednesday 9am - Morning Prayers

10am - Holy Communion 7pm - Meditation Group

Thursday 10.30am - Coffee Pot Sunday 8am - Holy Communion 9.30am - Family Eucharist 4pm - All Souls' Service

St Mary's Birchanger

Sunday 11.15am - Matins

St Mary's Farnham

Sunday 11am - Holy Communion

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Please send any material to be shared in the next Bulletin or requests for the prayer list to the Parish Administrator

by 9am on Friday 1st November.

Anything coming after this time will be forwarded to the next Bulletin. Thank you.