

# KELVEDON & FEERING CHURCHES NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER to SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024

## SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

*\*Do please note the earlier start-times for our services below:*

- \*9.15 am ALL SAINTS' SUNG HOLY COMMUNION  
*including the Act of Remembrance*
- \*10.45 am ST MARY'S ACT OF REMEMBRANCE *in the Churchyard*  
11.00 am ST MARY'S REMEMBRANCE SERVICE *in Church*

### FEERING 'IN LOVING MEMORY' SERVICE LAST SATURDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER

Over 30 people came to Feering's 'In Loving Memory' service last Saturday – many thanks to all who helped, especially those who brought the lovely refreshments. A short, simple, reflective service was held and candles were lit and held in memory of those we love and have lost. Of course both In Loving Memory services will be held next year as well.



### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

All Saints' holds its regular Communion service slightly earlier at **9.15 am** with the Act of Remembrance included. St Mary's annual Remembrance Sunday service with the British Legion is on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> at **10.45 am** in the Churchyard. Uniformed groups and others will lay wreaths and plant poppy crosses around the War Memorial. We then go into church for the remainder of the service.

**Armistice Day, Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November, will have two school services, both at 10.45 am:**

St Mary's Academy Year 6 will meet at St Mary's War Memorial, while Years 4-6 of Feering Primary will join with the British Legion at Feering Cemetery for their annual Act of Remembrance. The Kelvedon Year 6 service is essentially for the children and staff, but everyone is invited to attend the Feering Act of Remembrance.

### ST MARY'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL, 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

The 15<sup>th</sup> St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival will soon be here. If you'd like to decorate a tree for CTF please contact [Geraldine](#). It can be a family tree, an organisation tree, a street tree, a business tree, or any sort of tree you like! Geraldine will be pleased to hear from you as soon as possible.



### CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – OPENING NIGHT, FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 7.30 for 7.45 pm

The opening night of the Christmas Tree Festival has a new look. This is now a paying event and we'll be very well entertained by the excellent local community choir, **THE BIG SING**. Ben Garwood and Jan Bellman sing with this choir, so do come and support them. There will be delicious mulled wine and mince pies as usual. Tickets £10 – please book with [Ruth Bell](#) so she has an idea of numbers for catering. Please pay on the door. And bring family and friends!

## **\*ADVANCE NOTICE: No 11.00 am SERVICE at ST MARY'S on SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Many of our PCC members in both churches wear several hats, so it's not easy arranging a joint PCC meeting. One of the best times, I'm afraid, is a Sunday morning. There is urgent and important business that both PCCs need to discuss together before Christmas, so we've agreed to **cancel the 11 am service at St Mary's on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November** and hold a Joint PCC Meeting at 10.45 am in All Saints' that morning after the 9.30 am service, which will now be a United Benefice service, to which all are very welcome. We'll tell both churches about our discussions in due course. *Simon*



### **DATES FOR CHRISTMAS IN BOTH CHURCHES**

Dates for all our Christmas events are now on the [benefice website](#) so you can check them out when you are making your festive plans. There are all the old favourites: Christmas Wreath-making and Christmas Messy Church in both churches, Crib Services and Carol Services in both churches etc.

Each week in the newsletter I will highlight one of the Christmas events, but you can find them on the website where they are all together under 'What's Happening'. On the home page, scroll down below the dates of the weekly services. *Sarah Openshaw*

### **ST MARY'S PRAYER REQUESTS BOX**



St Mary's Prayer Request box has moved from the porch inside the church. Do leave prayer requests in it and they will be prayed for at the Thursday Morning Prayer. The box needs to be accessible to everyone coming into church, so when the font no longer has poppies round it for Remembrance Day, please could it be left on top of the font? That is where it always was and where it is most used. Thank you.

### **THANK YOU FOR COMING TO THE CURRY EVENING**

Many thanks from Ruth Bell to everyone who came to last Saturday's Curry Night – a very splendid meal was much enjoyed by all in the packed St Mary's Room. An excellent total of £600 was raised for the Indian charity Building Better Futures International, of which Ruth's husband Simon Bell is a trustee. A big thank-you to Ruth & Geraldine for laying on such a fantastically varied, tasty meal.

### **TIPTREE FOOD BANK REQUESTS – [Tiptree Food Bank](#) | [Tiptree](#) | [Facebook](#)**

The Food Bank would like **Christmas treats please**: all chocolates, nice biscuits, toiletries etc. are very welcome. No alcohol please. **Please get them to us by Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December**, so the Foodbank can take them to families before Christmas. Please leave donations at either church and our volunteers will deliver them to the Foodbank. Many thanks for your donations and to Betty, Jill & Fleur for taking them to Tiptree.



## ***KEEPING UP WITH K & F***

**\*Keep up to date** with service times, events and information about both our churches via our United Benefice website: [kelvedonandfeeringchurches.co.uk](http://kelvedonandfeeringchurches.co.uk).

**\*Please send church information/photos/events on both parishes to me, [Sarah Openshaw](#), by Wednesday, for inclusion in that week's newsletter.** Also same email for any church events to go on the Benefice Website. *Thank you.*

## **BENEFACTORY DIARY SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> to SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024**

<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b>	<b>9.15 am*</b>	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance
<b>REMEMBRANCE</b>	<b>10.45 am*</b>	St Mary's	Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>	St Mary's	Remembrance Service ( <i>NB no Holy Communion</i> )

*\*Please note the slightly earlier times for these services*

<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b>	<b>10.45 am</b>	<b>St Mary's</b>	<b>Kelvedon Academy Year 6 Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial in the Churchyard</b>
<b>ARMISTICE DAY</b>			
<b>Annual School Services</b>	<b>10.45 am</b>	<b>All Saints'</b>	<b>Feering School/British Legion Act of Remembrance at the Celtic Cross in Feering Cemetery</b>

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov.      2.30 pm      St Dominic's      Remembrance Sunday/Armistice Day Service  
*NB Tuesday is Simon's day off, in lieu of Monday – Tasha is taking the St Dominic's service*

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>      9.30 am      St Mary's      Teddy Bear Club  
                                  4.45-6.00 pm      St Mary's      Junior Christian Club

*\*Weds 13<sup>th</sup>-Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> – Simon is at the Area Deans' Residential, returning late afternoon Thursday*

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>      8.30 am      St Mary's      Morning Prayer  
                                  8 for 8.15 pm      St Mary's      Worship Group in the Church Rooms

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>      10.00 am      St Luke's Tiptree – Get-together for Deanery Churchwardens

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Nov.**      **10.00 am**      All Saints'      Family Service *taken by Natasha*  
**The Second Sunday**                *Simon is at St Nicholas' Little Braxted at 9.00 am*  
**before Advent**      **11.00 am**      St Mary's      Sung Holy Communion

### **ADVANCE NOTICE**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Nov.\***      **9.30 am**      **All Saints'**      **UNITED BENEFACTORY HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Christ the King**      **\*NO 11.00 am SERVICE AT ST MARY'S THIS SUNDAY**  
*(The Sunday next*      **10.45 am**      **All Saints'**      **Joint PCC Meeting**  
*before Advent)*

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