

KELVEDON & FEERING CHURCHES NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 13TH TO SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER – The 20th SUNDAY after TRINITY

9.30 am	ALL SAINTS'	SUNG HOLY COMMUNION
11.00 am	ST MARY'S	SUNG HOLY COMMUNION

NB: this Sunday's Choral Evensong at All Saints' has been CANCELLED

ALL SAINTS' CHORAL EVENSONG CANCELLED

It is with great regret that St Mary's Choir has had to cancel the Choral Evensong planned for All Saints' this Sunday due to illness. Caroline and the Choir hope to offer an alternative date soon.



BABY LOSS AWARENESS SERVICE AT ST MARY'S, MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER, 7.00 pm



The loss of a baby either through miscarriage, still birth or early death is devastating. The [Mariposa Trust](#) is an organisation that supports baby loss and they hold an annual service in Chelmsford Cathedral, this year on Sunday 13th October at 7.00 pm. It is a chance for grieving parents to say goodbye to the child they have lost. As well as this Cathedral service, Natasha is leading a small, intimate service at St Mary's for anyone who

has lost a child, whether recently or decades ago. If you don't feel able to come but would like Natasha to light a candle in memory of a lost baby, do [contact her](#).



WORSHIP FOR ALL SERVICE AT ST MARY'S – Last Sunday, 6th October

At times it felt that those of us involved in leading the October Worship for All were doing so on a wing and a prayer. Three of our team were struck down with Covid, but people kindly stepped in to cover the gaps and Natasha played the music for the hymns through her phone, which worked beautifully. With our congregation numbers generally low, this service is really growing in popularity: 50 people came, including 13 children. Interestingly we're also getting a lot of people coming without children. Many thanks to everyone who helped, especially Hugh Toler, St Mary's Safeguarding Officer. The theme was "God Protects Us" and Natasha skilfully wove the importance of safeguarding (a very important but often dry subject) into the service in an appropriate, accessible way. She interviewed Hugh, who talked about his role and by being there, people will be able to recognise him if they need to speak to him. Thanks too to Geraldine, who each month comes up with the most innovative and creative craft bags for the children. This week's had the materials to make a dream catcher (as in the photo). If you'd like a craft bag at one of our Worship for All services please let her know or [send her an email](#) and she will send you an email reminder each month. She doesn't want to disappoint children if they're aren't enough bags.



ALL SAINTS' ORGAN RECITAL, SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER at 7.30pm

Feering Church organist Keith Gamble-Beresford will be playing a wide range of music at his recital, from lovely, tuneful pieces by Bach and Mendelssohn in the first half, to his ever-popular music quiz in the second. Tickets £15 on the door (cash or card) which includes cheese and wine to be served in the interval. There'll also be cushions to hire for a small cost – or just bring your own for extra comfort on our hard pews!

SUPPORTING WETHERSFIELD REFUGEES ON SUNDAY 20th OCTOBER – from Natasha

As many of you know, I used to teach ESOL (English to speakers of other languages) at Colchester Institute, so it's wonderful to be able to volunteer at Wethersfield Asylum Centre teaching English. There's a small but enthusiastic group of volunteers, who go in every Monday and Tuesday morning to support the men with English conversation skills. This is about so much more than just teaching – it's about building relationships and showing welcome to people who have fled appalling circumstances. However they are very short of resources and desperately need exercise books, writing materials and whiteboards. **We will be having a collection on 20th October after both services.** Any contributions will be very gratefully received. Thank you so much. *Natasha*

'IN LOVING MEMORY' SERVICES – HELP WITH REFRESHMENTS PLEASE

Our two annual bereavement services, 'In Loving Memory', are coming up soon on **Saturday 26th October at St Mary's, and Saturday 2nd November at All Saints', both at 4.00 pm.** A key element of both services is the hospitality and refreshments we offer afterwards. We'd be very grateful for any donations of home-made cakes/biscuits that you are able to give, and for any help on the day too. Please speak to Simon or Natasha in the first instance. *Very many thanks.*

INDIAN CURRY NIGHT – SATURDAY 2nd NOVEMBER, 7.00 for 7.30 pm at ST MARY'S

To raise funds for the Indian charity, Building Better Futures International (formerly the Friends of the Poor of South India) [Ruth Bell](#) and [Geraldine Kennedy](#) are organising a Curry Night. Tickets are £20.00 per person (please bring your own drinks). Please email either Ruth or Geraldine to book.

TIPTREE FOOD BANK REQUESTS

The Food Bank needs: unisex shower gel, unisex shampoo, toilet cleaner, washing-up liquid and sugar. They also welcome any plastic/eco bags you can spare. Please leave your donations at either church and volunteers will take all items to Tiptree Foodbank. Very many thanks to you all.

AND FINALLY...

Keep up to date with service times, events and information about both our churches via our United Benefice website: kelvedonandfeeringchurches.co.uk.

Please send church information/photos/events from 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.*

Our week-to-view Benefice Diary is on the last page below

BENEFICE DIARY SUNDAY 13TH to SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2024

Sunday 13 th October <i>Trinity 20</i>	9.30 am 11.00 am	All Saints' St Mary's	Sung Holy Communion Sung Holy Communion
<i>NB Choral Evensong at All Saints' planned for this Sunday is CANCELLED</i>			
Wednesday 16 th	9.30 am 12 noon 4.45-6.00 pm	St Mary's St Mary's St Mary's	Teddy Bear Club Witham Deanery Chapter <i>Holy Communion in church followed by lunch in the Church Rooms</i> Post-confirmation Group in the Church Rooms
Thursday 17 th	8.30 am 1.45 pm 8 for 8.15 pm	St Mary's St Mary's Burial Ground St Mary's	Morning Prayer burial following URC funeral service PCC Meeting in the Church Rooms
Saturday 19 th	7.30 pm	All Saints'	Organ Concert <i>with Keith Gamble-Beresford</i>
Sunday 20 th October <i>Trinity 21</i>	10.00 am 11.00 am	All Saints' St Mary's	Family Service with Holy Baptisms <i>taken by Simon</i> Sung Holy Communion <i>taken by Natasha</i>

ADVANCE NOTICE

Saturday 26 th Oct.	4.00 pm	St Mary's	'In Loving Memory' Bereavement Service
Saturday 2 nd Nov.	4.00 pm 7 for 7.30 pm	All Saints' St Mary's	'In Loving Memory' Bereavement Service Indian Curry Night
Sunday 3rd Nov.	8.00 am	St Mary's	Said Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>)
ALL SAINTS'	9.30 am	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion – <i>Patronal Festival</i>
SUNDAY	11.00 am 3.00 pm	St Mary's St Mary's	Worship for All Service Holy Baptisms
Sunday 10th Nov.	9.15 am*	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance
REMEMBRANCE	10.45 am*	St Mary's	Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
SUNDAY	11.00 am	St Mary's	Remembrance Service (<i>NB no Holy Communion</i>)

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

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