

KELVEDON & FEERING CHURCHES NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER to SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2024

SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

8.00 am	ST MARY'S	SAID HOLY COMMUNION (<i>Prayer Book</i>)
9.30 am	ALL SAINTS'	SUNG HOLY COMMUNION
11.00 am	ST MARY'S	WORSHIP FOR ALL SERVICE
3.00 pm	ST MARY'S	HOLY BAPTISMS

Natasha is away this Sunday and returns tomorrow

FEERING 'IN LOVING MEMORY' SERVICE THIS SATURDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER

Nearly 50 people came to St Mary's 'ILM' service last Saturday, appreciating the time for quiet reflection – and the delicious refreshments afterwards (many thanks, Nicki & Bev). Now we look forward to welcoming people to Feering's 'In Loving Memory' service this Saturday. You can light a candle or candles in memory of your loved-ones, and there are refreshments after this service too.



ST MARY'S WORSHIP FOR ALL SERVICE, THIS SUNDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 11.00 am

The theme for this Sunday's Worship for All Service is 'All You Need is Love'.

Bring something or someone with you that you love. It could be a teddy bear, your mum, your dog – you just need to love them! The service will be led by

[Geraldine](#), who will also be preparing 'lovely' craft bags. **Please let her know if**

your child would like one at the service. This is really important please, as she doesn't want to make too many, or to have too few.



LEARNING ABOUT LABYRINTHS AT PLESHEY, DIOCESAN RETREAT HOUSE

This week a small group from St Mary's went to the [Diocesan Retreat House at Pleshey](#) for a day to learn about Labyrinths. It was a really good day, led by the excellent and very knowledgeable Team Rector of the 15 churches in the North Hinckford Group of Churches. We all enjoyed walking the Pleshey

Labyrinth. Natasha is taking another group to Pleshey soon for a day to prepare for Advent.

If you're interested in future Pleshey days, please talk to [Natasha](#).



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER

The Royal British Legion will be joining St Mary's for the annual Remembrance Sunday service next Sunday, 10th November, at 10.45 am in the Churchyard: the uniformed groups and others will lay wreaths and plant poppy crosses around the War Memorial. We will then go into church for the remainder of the service.

On **Armistice Day, Monday 11th November**, there will be 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.



ST MARY'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL (CTF), 29th NOVEMBER–1st DECEMBER

It will soon be time for the 15th St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival. If you'd like to decorate a tree for CTF please contact [Geraldine](#). You can enter a family tree, a street tree, an organisation tree, a business tree, or any sort of tree you like! Geraldine will be pleased to hear from you as soon as possible. Need ideas for decorating your tree? 15 years is a 'crystal' anniversary, so why not put something crystal somewhere...

Plus – hot off the press: the Friday 'Opening Night' is now open to everyone, and the fabulous **Big Sing Choir** is coming to sing for us! Look out for this poster → → →

Acclaimed local community choir

The Big Sing

comes to Kelvedon

singing amongst the
Christmas Trees

Friday, 29th November 2024

7.30 p.m. for 7.45 p.m.

St Mary's Church, Kelvedon CO5 9AL

BABY LOSS PRAYER TREE

The prayer tree where parents can write the names of babies they have lost through miscarriage, stillbirth or in childhood, is on the St Nicholas altar in the north aisle in St Mary's. Natasha will leave it there for the next few weeks. If you'd find it helpful, do write a baby's name on one of the heart labels and light a candle in their memory.



WETHERSFIELD REFUGEES

Natasha's Wethersfield collection has now raised the excellent sum of **£242**. Very many thanks for your generous donations. If you haven't already done so, Natasha would be very grateful for any cash donations. All donations will go directly to help with the refugees' education. Many thanks.

JUNIOR CHRISTIAN CLUB AT ST MARY'S ON WEDNESDAYS

Our new Junior Christian Club starts again after half term, this Wednesday, 6th November, at 4.45-5.45pm in St Mary's Church Rooms. If you know a young person between school Years 6 and 9 who might be interested and would like to find out more, please contact [Natasha](#). It's a small but very friendly group of young people who "enjoy biscuits, cake, juice and tea and join together for fun games and conversations about faith, about Jesus and about our lives today".



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

The Food Bank is asking for **Christmas treats**, so chocolates, nice biscuits, toiletries etc. will be very welcome. No alcohol please. **Please get them to our churches by Sunday 1st 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.



***ADVANCE NOTICE: NO 11.00 am SERVICE at ST MARY'S on SUNDAY 24TH 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 24th 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*

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.

***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.*

BENEFICE DIARY SATURDAY 2ND to MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2024

Saturday 2 nd Nov.	4.00 pm	All Saints'	'In Loving Memory' Bereavement Service
<i>All Souls' Day</i>	7 for 7.30 pm	St Mary's	Indian Curry Night
Sunday 3 rd 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	St Mary's	Worship for All Service
	3.00 pm	St Mary's	Holy Baptisms
Tuesday 5 th Nov.	10.00 am	St Mary's	Funeral of Nick Driffield, followed by Burial
Wednesday 6 th	9.30 am	St Mary's	Teddy Bear Club (<i>first after half term</i>)
	4.45 pm	St Mary's	Junior Christian Club (<i>first after half term</i>)
Thursday 7 th	8.30 am	St Mary's	Morning Prayer
Friday 8 th	8.30am-3.30 pm	St Mary's	Payback Team in the Churchyard & Burial Ground
			<i>NB Friday is Simon's day off in lieu of Monday</i>
Sunday 10 th 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>)
			<i>*Please note the slightly earlier times for these services</i>
Monday 11 th Nov.	10.45 am	St Mary's	Kelvedon Academy Year 6 Act of Remembrance
ARMISTICE DAY			at the War Memorial in the Churchyard
<i>Annual School Services</i>	10.45 am	All Saints'	Feering School/British Legion Act of Remembrance
			at the Celtic Cross in Feering Cemetery

ADVANCE NOTICE

Tuesday 12 th Nov.	2.30 pm	St Dominic's	Holy Communion Service with Act of Remembrance
			<i>NB Tuesday is Simon's day off, in lieu of Monday – Tasha will take the St Dominic's service</i>
Sunday 17 th Nov.	10.00 am	All Saints'	Family Service <i>taken by Natasha</i>
Second Sunday			<i>Simon is at St Nicholas' Little Braxted at 9.00 am</i>
before Advent	11.00 am	St Mary's	Sung Holy Communion
Sunday 24 th Nov.*	9.30 am	All Saints'	UNITED BENEFICE SUNG HOLY COMMUNION
Christ the King	*NO 11.00 am SERVICE AT ST MARY'S THIS SUNDAY		
<i>(Sunday next before Advent)</i>	10.45 am	All Saints'	Joint PCC Meeting

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