

KELVEDON AND FEERING NEWSLETTER

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SUNDAY 6th OCTOBER – SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER

8.00 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION AT ST MARY'S (*Book of Common Prayer*)

9.30 am SUNG HOLY COMMUNION AT ALL SAINTS'

11.00 am WORSHIP FOR ALL SERVICE AT ST MARY'S



THANKS

As I take back to editing the Benefice Newsletter following my hip replacement, I just wanted to thank everyone from St Mary's for their kindness to me during my enforced incarceration at home. Unable to drive until given the medical go ahead and hobbling about on crutches, I was so very grateful to those of you who walked my dog, Lolly and are still kindly doing so, cooked meals for me, shopped for me, lent me books, sent me cards, sent me flowers, visited me, telephoned me and generally cheered me up. Those who know me well, know I am by nature, very impatient and boredom soon set in! I was so fortunate that all went well with the operation, but I was obviously incapacitated for several weeks. I was so touched by how many of you from St Mary's just did the Christian thing and were there for me (and Lolly!) Thank you so much. I'm now back, so please send newsletter information to me again. [Sarah Openshaw](#)

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT



Sadly, we missed marking Fairtrade Fortnight again (it was at the end of September). This initiative highlights why we should support Fairtrade, check it out at [Fairtrade.org.uk](#) I have made a note to remind us next year, so I thought it was the moment to remind people at St Mary's that Robert Lines, who manages stocking the St Mary's kitchen, always buys Fairtrade tea/coffee, sugar etc. That is one reason you might have offered him an extra pack of tea or coffee that you didn't need and he politely refused it. He is meticulously careful that we support Fairtrade. We are also encouraged to up our green credentials by the Diocese, something we don't discuss enough, but Robert always buys environmentally friendly washing up liquid and anything else similar, to keep us as green as possible. I am sure you will join me in thanking Robert for all his hard work sorting out the kitchen and for supporting Fairtrade on our behalf.

If All Saints' also support Fairtrade for their after church and events tea/coffee etc, [please let me know](#) and I will put that in next week's newsletter.

Needless to say we could do with some more volunteers for the after church tea/coffee rota at St Mary's. Please contact [Robert](#) if you would be able to help one Sunday, even if you are involved in other church activities during the service, a donation of a cake or some nice biscuits would be appreciated. Thank you in advance.

ST MARY'S CHOIR SINGING EVENSONG ON SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER AT ALL SAINTS' AT 6.00 pm



A date for your diary. Do join St Mary's choir who will be singing Evensong at All Saints on Sunday week. The service will follow the Book of Common Prayer Evensong service, but with readings from the NRVS Bible.

UPDATED FOOD BANK REQUESTS

The Food Bank are asking for unisex Shower Gel, unisex Shampoo, toilet cleaner, washing up liquid and sugar. They also welcome any plastic/eco bags you might be able to spare.

Please leave Food Bank donations at either church and they will be delivered to the Foodbank by our volunteers. Many thanks for your donations and to Betty and Jill for transporting the things to Tiptree.

NEW PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBER



Although Amanda Garner was elected to the PCC at the annual meeting in May, it has taken some time to get the paper work in place. We can now formally welcome Amanda to the group and thank her for offering to help with the running of the church in this way. For those of you who may not know, Amanda is Nicki Bartlett's sister and Loretta Flannery's daughter.

BOOK GROUP

Our last Book Group book, 'The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry' by Rachel Joyce, was enjoyed by the majority of the group, but as ever, not by everyone, which always results in some good discussion. We've even been inspired to have a film night so we can enjoy the movie together! Our book for the meeting on 22nd October at 7.30 pm in the St Mary's Church Rooms, is 'Heaven', by Paula Gooder. The group has read books by Paula Gooder before and she is a well known theologian.

If you would like to join the group, speak to [Natasha](#).



Baby Loss Awareness Week runs from 9th-15th October.

To support Baby Loss Awareness Week we will be holding a simple reflective service at St Mary's Church on Monday 14th October at 7pm. With readings, music, prayers and lighting of candles. For anyone affected by the loss of a baby or child.

Please speak to [Natasha](#) if you would like more information.

ADVENT QUIET DAY at PLESHEY RETREAT HOUSE

WEDNESDAY 27TH NOV, 10.00 am – 4.00 pm:

John the Baptist, Harbinger of Hope,

Natasha will be taking a small group from the Benefice on this retreat day led by the Ven. Vanessa Herrick, retired Archdeacon of Harlow. This has now been booked but do look at the Pleshey website as they offer many wonderful ideas for retreat days. <https://www.retreathousepleshey.com/>



BENEFICE DIARY

SUNDAY 6TH -SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY 6th Oct	8 am	St Mary's	Holy Communion (Prayer Book)
Trinity 20	9.30 am	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion
	11am	St Mary's	(Led by Trevor Walt)
			Worship for All Service
Weds 9th October.	9.30 am	St Mary's	Teddy Bear Club
	4.45-6.00 pm	St Mary's	Post-confirmation Group in the Church Rooms
Thursday 10 th Oct.	9.30/10.30 am	St Mary's	Kelvedon St Mary's School Harvest Services
	3.00 pm	Drummonds	Harvest service
SUNDAY 13th Oct	9.30 am	All Saints'	Sung Holy Communion
Trinity 21	11.00 am	St Mary's	Sung Holy Communion
	6.00 pm	All Saints'	Choral Evensong with St Mary's Choir

*Simon is on annual leave from Sunday 29th September and returns on Tuesday 8th October
Natasha will be taking the Pet service in Goldhanger on Sunday 13th October.*

ADVANCE NOTICE

Saturday 19 th Oct.	7.30 pm	All Saints'	Organ Concert with Keith Gamble-Beresford
Sunday 20 th Oct.	10.00 am	All Saints'	Family Service with Baptisms
Saturday 26 th Oct.	4.00 pm	St Mary's	'In Loving Memory' Bereavement Service

Keep up to date with information, service times, events and information about both churches at 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.

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