

# Welcome to St Mary The Virgin, Linton

Community  
Church



## St Mary's pewsheet for the week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> November 2016

### Services

#### 8.00 Communion

Isaiah 2:1-5 and  
Matthew 24:36-44

#### 10.00 Communion

Isaiah 2:1-5 and  
Matthew 24:36-44

#### 6.00 Advent Service

"Light in the Darkness" (readings  
and music with the Choir).

#### Thursday

#### 10.00 Communion

### Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to you all as we worship together, especially to you are visiting or this is your first time with us.

At our Sunday Communion services, all are welcome to receive the bread and wine, either at the High Altar or within the Nave. If you would rather have a blessing, please keep your hands below the rail or lowered and we will pray with you. It is also fine to stay in your seat and just enjoy a time of quiet. Children are welcome to receive the bread too if they put their hands out.

**Please join us for refreshments,**

in the pavilion after the 10 a.m. Sunday service.

*Everyone is welcome, there is no charge, however a basket is available if you feel able to give a donation.*

### St Mary's Notices

#### Ways to live Advent meaningfully

The Advent Course will be at the Rectory on Thursdays evenings at 7.30 p.m., from 1<sup>st</sup> December, and in the Pavilion at around 10.45 a.m., also on Thursday from 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Maggie is also getting prayer cards for Advent from USPG  
(United Society Partners in the Gospel) which St Mary's supports.

Please pick one up from the back of church to use at home.

#### Help needed for Beacon Youth Trust.

Our youth worker, Lee, is looking for volunteers (who must have, or obtain DBS clearance) to help with the Red Zone youth club sometimes on Tuesday evenings from 7 - 9 pm. Younger faces particularly welcome! (No offence!)

He also wonders if anyone would like to sponsor the refreshments for Tuesday football sessions - Jaffa Cakes and Water from Aldi - only £4 - £4 per week. (Lee would buy them.)

## Notices for the week

Please send news items to Sue Filby  
[suefilby@btinternet.com](mailto:suefilby@btinternet.com) by 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday,  
as the pewsheet is printed on Thursday morning.

**Haverhill Foodbank** have no specific food shortages for this week but are preparing for their Christmas hampers and would appreciate donations for these e.g. chocolates, selection boxes, biscuits, savouries, chutneys, custards, small gifts such as children's gloves, scarves, socks and soft toys.

**Colleen & Derek Lockstone** wish to give their sincere thanks to all the folk in St Mary's church; in Linton Village; in our country churches and the Mormon church at Cherry Hinton, who collectively gave 122 Christmas boxes for the "Children in Distress" charity - 'Love in a Box' appeal. These boxes have now been taken to a central depot & will soon be on their way by road across Europe to reach the sick, disabled & deprived children of Romania for Christmas eve. Please pray for those making the journey delivering the shoeboxes to Romania and for the children that will be the recipients Thank you all.

**The funeral service** of Mrs Betty Dorothy (Bluey) Smith is to take place at St Mary's on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 12.30pm, followed by interment in Linton Cemetery.

**The Mothers' Union** has collected toiletries for Christmas gifts for Women's Aid residents. If any other members of the congregation would like to donate items please contact Sue Mudge by the end of November 01223 892737.

**House Group Bible Study** We meet alternate Mondays 2.30-3.45pm – 25A Back Road, Linton. Please join us. We are studying St Luke's Gospel at present. For more information, please contact Anne Parry-Smith 894715 or [anne@parry-smith.co.uk](mailto:anne@parry-smith.co.uk)

**Urgent request for volunteers to go on a rota for cleaning the Pavilion.** It should take no more than 1.5 hours per week. The more volunteers the less frequently it will come round. Please contact Hilary Angetter on [h.angetter@gmail.com](mailto:h.angetter@gmail.com) or phone 892305 if you can help in this way. We are very grateful to Nanette who has previously undertaken this single handedly.

**Please could the Events Committee** ask the congregation to make mince pies for the Carol Service on 18th December? Homemade ones are so much nicer! Many thanks, Pam.

## Other activities for the week

### Monday

10.30 Service at Symonds House

### Wednesday

12.30 Funeral  
7.30 Bell Ringing

### Friday

7.30 Choir Practice

### Next Sunday

8.00 Communion  
Isaiah 11:1-10 and  
Matthew 3:1-12  
10.00 Communion  
Isaiah 11:1-10 and  
Matthew 3:1-12

### Dates for your diary

#### Maggie's day off is Wednesday.

##### Morning and Evening Prayers

On Monday ~ Thursday Maggie and Nicola B will be saying morning prayer in the Resurrection Chapel at 9.00 a.m., they would be glad for anyone to join them.

All are welcome to join in at any time, with a particular invitation to join others attending

Evening Prayer **on Friday**  
in the Resurrection Chapel at 5.00 p.m.

#### Following the All Age Service

on Sunday 11th December during which we hope to decorate the Christmas tree, there will be a seasonable meal of turkey casserole, baked potato and apple crumble. Tickets will be £5 per person or £15 for a family, bookable in advance through Sue Ellis or Pam Richardson tel.890921. All are welcome.

#### The next issue of the Bible Reading Fellowship

booklets is now available in the church pigeonholes for existing subscribers. Next year's subscriptions are due; the cost is £13.20 for the year, post free as we currently order as a group. Please can you let me know if you wish to continue to receive the booklet or would like to begin. There are several titles available:- "New Daylight" has daily Bible readings, "Guidelines" has more in-depth commentary with Bible passages, and "Quiet Spaces" focuses on the spiritual journey with a broader range of material. I have copies available for anyone who is interested. Judy Nightingale 891806