

Welcome to St Mary The Virgin, Linton

Community
Church



St Mary's pewsheet for the week commencing 11th December 2016

Services

8.00 Communion

Isaiah 35:1-10 and
Matthew 11:2-11

10.00 All Age Eucharist

John 1, 1 – 5 and
Genesis 1, 1 – 5

Thursday

10.00 Communion

Friday

9.00 School Service

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to you all as we worship together, especially to you if 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 Friday & 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

'The Jungle' may have been cleared, but there are still refugees and migrants in Dunkirk and on the streets of Paris. Donations and volunteers are urgently sought to keep feeding them, and buying sleeping bags as the weather gets colder

www.facebook.com/groups/refugeecommunitykitchen

or <http://mydonate.bt.com/charities/refugeecommunitykitchen>

or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/camb4calais/permalink/1863636337205471/>

An invitation to Christmas Services at St Mary's.

Everyone is welcome at any (or all!) of the following services which take place in December.

Sunday 18th December – Carol Service followed by refreshments

Sunday 24th December – Christmas Eve 4.00 p.m. Crib Service

Sunday 24th December – Christmas Eve 11.00 p.m. Midnight Communion.

Sunday 25th December - Christmas Day 8.00 a.m. Quiet Communion (Said BCP).

Sunday 25th December 10.00 a.m. Festive Communion

Notices for the week

Please send news items to Sue Filby
sue4rector@btinternet.com by 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday,
 as the pewsheets are printed on Thursday morning.

Haverhill Foodbank have recently had a 3 day food collection at Tesco with a very good response, so they have no specific shortages on food items but still are in need of Starterpack items single duvets, pillows, saucepans, frying pans and tin openers.

The hamper draw now has an extra 2 prizes. Tickets will be on sale after the 10am services until the draw after the carol service on 18th December. So hurry and buy your tickets from Nanette.

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 or phone 892305 if you can help in this way. We are very grateful to Nanette who has previously undertaken this single handedly.

Invitation to Midnight Singers for Midnight Eucharist on 24 December All singers welcome to take part in the choir for this service. There will be a rehearsal at 10.00 pm at St Mary's, Linton & the service starts at 11.00 pm. Please contact David Parry-Smith David@parry-smith.co.uk or tel 894715 for more information. If you would like to sing, **please let David know**, so we can get music ready.

Christians Together in Linton prayer meeting. The next meeting is going to be held at Dave and Clare West's home, 20 Finchams Close at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 13th December.

Please support the Mini Market after the 10.00 a.m. service next week. Please provide a list of ingredients for any home baked items.

Give as you Live The PCC took the decision to register St Mary's with 'Give as you live' in Summer 2015, an organisation recommended by the Charity Commission through which we can raise donations by online shopping. Each time you shop online through the 'Give as you live' firms donate a small percentage of what you spend to St Mary's. Over 4,000 stores participate, including Sainsburys, John Lewis, Debenhams, Amazon and Ebay. If you shop online, please consider registering at <https://www.giveasyoulive.com> When you sign up and are asked which charity you wish to support, enter 'The Parochial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish Of St Mary The Virgin, Diocese of Ely'. Please encourage others to sign up too: if a large number of us each raises small amounts, we could boost our funds with little effort.

Please pray for Jacqui Wilson and her family at the anniversary of the loss of Elizabeth Chapman a year ago.

Other activities for the week

Monday

10.30 Service at Symonds House

Tuesday

7.30 Prayer meeting, 20 Finchams Close

Wednesday

7.30 Bell Ringing

Thursday

10.45

The Advent Course, Pavilion

7.30

The Advent Course, the Rectory

Friday

7.30

Granta School Christmas Service
 Choir Practice

Next Sunday

8.00 Communion

Isaiah 7:10-16 and

Matthew 1:18-25

10.00 Communion (**Please note**
 there will NOT be a screen).

Isaiah 7:10-16 and

Matthew 1:18-25

6.00 Carol Service

Dates for your diary

21 January 7.00 Murder Mystery Evening

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.

Thank you for all the support you have given me during my recent illness. I was very aware of being upheld by the prayers of my friends at St Mary's as well as Christians in different parts of the country and across the world, which sustained me through my emergency heart operation and the week in intensive care. Thank you to all who have sent messages and cards, and who have provided meals, lifts and other help since my return home. I am getting a little stronger each day and look forward to being back with you soon. Molly W.