

Welcome to St Mary's

Pewsheets for weeks commencing 27 Nov & 4 Dec 2022

<i>Sunday, 27 Nov</i> <i>Advent Sunday</i>	8am 10am 6pm	<i>Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5; Matthew 24:36-44</i> Holy Communion (BCP) Together with God Advent Service: Light in the Darkness
<i>Monday, 28 Nov</i>	8am	Advent Promise
<i>Tuesday, 29 Nov</i>	8am	Advent Promise
<i>Wednesday, 30 Nov</i>	8am 9.30am 7.30pm	Advent Promise Tots in Tow in the Village Hall Bellringing
<i>Thursday, 1 Dec</i>	8am 10am 11am	Advent Promise Holy Communion Warm Hub starts in the Pavilion
<i>Friday, 2 Dec</i>	8am 9am 1pm 4pm 7pm	Advent Promise in the Pavilion Infants' School Service Baby Steps in the Pavilion Evening Prayer Choir Practice
<i>Saturday, 3 Dec</i>	9am	Parish Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)
<i>Sunday, 4 Dec</i> <i>Second Sunday of</i> <i>Advent</i>	8am 10am 4.15pm	<i>Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Matthew 3:1-12</i> Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Eucharist St Mary's Youth Group in the Pavilion
<i>Monday, 5 Dec</i>	8am 11am	Advent Promise Holy Communion at Nichols Court
<i>Tuesday, 6 Dec</i>	8am 10am 10.30am	Advent Promise Scrabble Club meet in the Pavilion Mothers' Union Advent Service at Balsham
<i>Wednesday, 7 Dec</i>	8am 9.30am 7.30pm	Advent Promise Tots in Tow in the Village Hall Bellringing
<i>Thursday, 8 Dec</i>	8am 10am 11am 7.30pm	Advent Promise Holy Communion Warm Hub in the Pavilion Dementia Support Group in the Pavilion

Forthcoming events/information

The church is open daily **M-F 9.45am-4pm**; **Sat 10am-4pm**; **Sun 11am-4pm**

10am Sunday service is now on Zoom. Registration information on website.

See St Mary's website for full calendar (It can be viewed in grid or list view.)

<i>Friday, 9 Dec</i>	8am	Advent Promise in the Pavilion
	9am	Infants' School Service
	4pm	Evening Prayer
	7pm	Choir practice

Forward dates: Sunday, 11 December 3pm Messy Christingle
Sunday, 18 December 6.30pm (note revised time) Carol Service
Details of all Christmas services to follow
2023: Saturday, 10 June Picnic in the Park on Linton Recreation Ground.

Saturday, 26 November 2.30pm for 3pm start at St Mary's. Quiz—The Not Quite General Knowledge' Quiz. & tea. Proceeds to Christian Aid East Africa Appeal. £12 per head to include sandwiches, scones, cakes etc. Contact Pam Richardson 890821 or email justpam1@hotmail.co.uk Also, if you can help setting up and packing away or could offer a raffle prize, contact Pam. Either make up a team or just come and we'll create teams or enlarge existing ones as necessary. Pam and Rebecca Richardson.

Sunday, 27 November 6pm at St Mary's. Light in the darkness—Hymns, Prayers and Meditation for Advent Sunday.

Sunday, 4 December 2-4pm, Linton Village Hall A Christmas Crafty Café. Free. Families welcome! Have a go at making **Cards Decorations Crackers & Christmas gifts & A Christmassy Afternoon Tea.** Book your free place at lintoncommunityhelp@gmail.com or lintonjazz64@gmail.com or look for our posts on Linton Community Board Facebook.

Monday, 19 December 7pm at St Mary's—A fundraising concert for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity featuring Sopriola (Voice and viola) and the Belles choir. There will be Christmas favourites old and new, mince pies and audience carols. All are welcome. Entry is free. Retiring collection for ARHC. Rachel Godsill

The Friends' Coffee Morning on 19 November raised £255.

Forthcoming events/Information

St Mary's finances. 'Every little helps', so the saying goes – and St Mary's needs those small amounts nowadays even more than ever. Like households over the land, we are struggling with rising bills, whilst hoping, at the same time, that we can keep key activities going.

In October income was £9,730, while expenditure was £11,334. In other words, we spent £1,604 more than we recouped through income.

So, will you be Christmas shopping online this year? If so, a small way to help St Mary's finances at no cost to yourself is through one of the following ways:

Amazon customers: log on to <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/Church/1138508-0>. Once signed up, Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price of eligible purchases to the church

For other shops, go to the website **Give as you live**. Follow the sign up instructions and choose 'St Mary's, Linton' as the charity. Choose your shop from the Give As You Live website and you will be taken there directly.

You only need to sign up the first time in either case.

Warm Hubs. Heating costs are rising and as the temperature drops this will force all of us to make choices and for some these will be really difficult ones. We, along with the Free Church and the Library, have expressed an interest in setting up Warm Hubs to provide 3 hours one morning a week each with light refreshments. We need a co-ordinator and at least 3 volunteers. Training will be given. Contact [David Watts](#) if you are able to help in any of these roles.

Monica and Anne Clarkson would like to thank so many people for their kind cards and thoughts after Alan's death. Following a family cremation service this month, we plan to have a Thanksgiving Service at St Mary's later in January to which everyone is very welcome.

Pianist wanted. Here at Nichols Court we would really like to do some singing. The problem is that we don't have anyone who could play the Piano. My Husband and I have been in a singing for several years and would be happy to lead it. Obviously it would be Christmas music currently. We are looking for a very kind volunteer pianist who would be willing to give their time on a fairly regular basis. We have a piano/keyboard. Contact [Monica Devey](#)

Coffee Mornings. Please let [Charlotte Ellis](#) know if you are able to help on a specific day or are willing to make a cake. Also, is there any group in the church willing to run a Coffee Morning on the 3rd Saturday of the month?

Events/Information/Prayerboard

The Friends of St Mary's now have their own [website](#).

Pavilion cleaning. As the pavilion is getting more bookings, it will need to be cleaned regularly. We need volunteers to go on a rota. If you can help please contact Hilary Angetter on 01223 892305 or h.angetter@gmail.com

Ecclesiastical Insurance. St Mary's insurance is with Ecclesiastical. For every new home insurance policy taken out with them they donate £130 to a church or cathedral of the policyholder's choice through their Trust130 promotion. [Trust130](#) | [Home Insurance](#) | [Ecclesiastical](#)

Parish Prayer Board November 2022

Please indicate on the prayer list in church if the name(s) mentioned can be included on the pewsheet/website.

Sick—Please continue to pray for Ed, Jo and baby Austin who is now home and making good progress (Linton Free Church); Andrew King; Chris Kemshell (Linton Free Church) and his family; Maurice Smith & his wife Joan; Alan Cole (in hospital). We also pray for Alan's wife Brenda. Kathleen Hopkins. Don Mulholland (now at Symonds House) and his wife, Lorna Mulholland; Colleen Lockstone and her husband Derek; Joy Button.

Departed—Liz Munday (Linton Free Church). Please remember Liz and Steve and family in prayers; Sheila Boswell; Alan Clarkson. We remember Monica, Anne and the family in our prayers.

Contacts at St Mary's Associate Priest Revd Michael Wilcockson.

associate.priest@stmaryslinton.org.uk

Churchwardens: David Watts david.watts@stmaryslinton.org.uk

Charlotte Ellis charlotte.ellis@stmaryslinton.org.uk

To add to the pewsheet, to receive it by email or as a paper copy, contact Anne: admin@stmaryslinton.org.uk by 9am Thursday.

Vacancy update 6 November 2022 on the website—front page news section on right hand side.

See information on the appointment of our new incumbent.



We now have a new way of online giving which has a link and QR code. This information is also on the St Mary's website.