

Christmas Tree Festival meeting – 7th September

There will be a planning meeting starting at **7.30pm** in the **Benedicata Whistler Centre**. If you would like to be part of this year's festival please come along and share your ideas. The meetings will last no longer than 1 hour and you will be made very welcome. Thank you.

Note for your diary

Christmas Tree Festival will be on **Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th November 2017**. Theme – **The Bible**

ALPHA COURSE: SEPTEMBER 2017

Dates and times and logistics to be agreed – dependant on the needs and availability of YOU and YOUR FRIENDS – the participants. If you are interested in joining us for this course, please speak to the Dean or any member of the PCC, or register your interest at alpha@stmarysbattle.org.uk

Food Bank

Client numbers are still very low, and we are not in need of any specific items, so take a break and/or donate elsewhere, if you would like to! We'll soon let you know when we are in need again. Thank you. Shelagh Franks, Helen Ormrod

THANK YOU

Very many thanks to Vikki Cook and **Julia Thorp** who covered the pew sheet production and printing over the last three months, they have done a marvellous job and I am sincerely grateful to them both.

PEW SHEETS

If you have anything you would like included in next week's pew sheet please e-mail pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk **deadline date for pew sheets 9pm Wednesday evenings please.**

CHURCH WEBSITE www.stmarysbattle.org.uk If you have information to be entered or updated on the website, please forward to webmaster@stmarysbattle.org.uk

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, BATTLE & CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TELHAM

12th Sunday after Trinity 3rd September 2017

Welcome to all – especially visitors and newcomers
Please take this pew sheet home with you!

Parish Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, please grow Your kingdom here in our parish. Fill our worship with Your living presence and help us to experience You touching and transforming our lives. Help us to know You better and give us the confidence to trust You more. Help us to work with You in drawing people into this church, and to welcome them when they come. Especially we pray that new families and children may find the love of Jesus here, and the joy of knowing Him as their Saviour and Lord. Amen

Collects of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

or

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this Eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

READINGS, HYMNS AND PRAYERS FOR TODAY

8.00am Holy Communion

The Dean

9.30am Parish Communion

The Dean

Readings: **Romans 12: 9-end (p.1139)**
Matthew 16: 21-end (p.984)

Hymns: **559, 519, 488, 596 & 418** (*Songs of Fellowship*)

*(Between these services all are warmly invited for refreshments
in the Benedicta Whistler Centre)*

11.00am Modern Service

The Dean

Join us for this relaxed and less formal time of worship for all ages. All words for the service, including both Bible readings and songs, will be displayed on the screen.

We welcome Emily Campbell in Christian baptism

6.00pm Choral Evensong

The Dean

Readings: **Psalm 51: 1-14**
Isaiah 1: 1,4,14-20 (p.685)
Mark: 7: 1-8; 14-23 (p.1010)

Hymns: **427, 339, 342 & 413** (*New English Hymnal*)

10.00 am Holy Communion - Telham

Rev. I. Morrison

Readings: Jeremiah 15 v 15-21
Psalm: 26 v 1-8
Romans 12 v 9-end
Matthew 16 v 21-end

Services next Sunday 10th September

8.00am Holy Communion

St. Mary's

9.30am Parish Communion

St. Mary's

10.00 am Matins

Telham

11.00am Modern Service

St. Mary's

Prayer List

Please pray for: All on our list, together with those in nursing homes who are no longer able to attend church, those known to us personally and those known only to our Lord Jesus Christ.

If you would like to add a name to the weekly prayer list, please contact Alison Hassell.

Midweek Holy Communion – Every Thursday at 10.30am

Everyone is warmly invited to share communion with this small friendly congregation in the Lady Chapel followed by Coffee and Fellowship in the Benedicta Whistler Centre.

The Dean

Busy Bees

Restarts on **Wednesday, 6th September at 9.30am**. Adults £1, children 50p and then every Monday & Wednesday until 18th October when there will be a break for the schools' half term.

Mothers' Union

Our usual monthly meeting planned for Thursday, 7th September has been cancelled as we will all want to attend Norman Hillier's funeral at 12.30pm that day and support the family. Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, 5th October**. Coffee will be served following the Communion service. A lunch of soup and rolls will follow Vikki's cunning quiz then!