

Love in a Box – Christmas shoebox collection

Leaflets are still available at the back of church. The **deadline** for returning completed shoeboxes is **Sunday 19th November**. Please either bring them to the church when it is open for services, or return to Vikki at Busy Bees on Monday or Wednesday mornings. Thank you.

If you are not able to get to the church and need your box(es) collected, ring Alison.

Recycled Christmas Cards

The recycled cards will be in the back of the Church at the end of October. I hope you can find some you would like to buy. Thank you again to all the kind people who leave me cards all the year to use, they are so much appreciated. I am unable to use recycled cards again though. It may be early, but I wish you all a very Happy Christmas. With best wishes from Sheila Gerken. All proceeds to Church funds.

Gift Aid

Please remember if you want to increase your regular Church contribution or a one off donation this can be achieved by Gift Aiding your donation. It won't cost you any extra but you do need to be a UK registered tax payer to enable the Church to claim back the tax which means your donation is actually worth 25% more! Please see the Treasurer, Tracy Dixon if you want to register for Gift Aid or simply complete a Gift Aid Declaration and hand to the Dean, Treasurer or Church Wardens. Thank you!

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.**

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, BATTLE & CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TELHAM **All Saints' Sunday – 5th November 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 God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through 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 holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

READINGS, HYMNS AND PRAYERS FOR TODAY

8.00am Holy Communion – St Mary's

9.30am Parish Communion - St Mary's Bishop Ken Barham

Readings: **1 John 3:1-3 (p.1226)**
 Matthew 5:1-12 (p.968)

Hymns: **109, 44, 127, 40 & 148** (*Songs of Fellowship*)

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

11.00am Modern Service St Mary's **St Mary's Team**

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.

6.00pm All Souls Service **The Dean**

The evening service will not be a conventional Evensong, but a meditative service for All Souls' tide. The Dean will read and lead meditations and times of prayer interspersed with five hymns.

Hymns: **466, 112, 54, 147 and 377**

10.00 am - Church of the Ascension, Telham

Readings: **Psalm 24**
 Haggai 2 v 1-9
 John 2 v 13-25

This will be a special service to celebrate 140 years of worship.

The service will be led by the Archdeacon, the Venerable Edward Dowler plus Dean John and Dean William.

Services next Sunday 12th November

8.00am Holy Communion	St. Mary's
10.00am Remembrance Service	Telham
10.50am Remembrance Service*	St. Mary's

**Please note there will be no 9.30am or 11am services at St Mary's instead a Remembrance Service commencing at 10.50am. Please arrive promptly and be seated by 10.45am latest, thank you.*

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.

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.

Drivers Needed for 9.30 am Service

We urgently need drivers to give lifts to and from the **9.30** service – not every week, but occasionally. If you could help (or would like a lift to any service), please contact me: David Ormrod

Food Bank

This week we are asking for sugar (preferably small bags) squash, steamed puddings, custard, dog food, treats (chocolate etc) baked beans, tomatoes and pasta sauce. Thank you Shelagh and Helen

HELP WANTED for 25 & 26 November

Please spare a minute and sign up to help with the forth coming Christmas Tree Festival weekend, we will need help to run the stalls on **Saturday 25th November** and especially with the **refreshments**; washing up, clearing tables and simple food preparation. If you can donate an hour or so your help would be very much appreciated. Thank you. We will also need donations of Preloved goods, new items to sell as gifts, homemade cakes and cakes for the refreshments. Collection boxes are at the back of the Church. Please see the notice boards at the back of the Church to sign up. Thank you.