

### **Food Bank**

We are still rather low on all food after the Christmas rush, and in particular have run out of Cereal, Tomatoes, Squash, and Sugar (small bags preferred.)

We would welcome anything from our shopping list, which can be found in the West Porch of the church.

With grateful thanks. *Shelagh Franks and Helen Ormrod.*

### **Computer Operators Wanted for the 11 o'clock Service**

If anyone is interested in operating our service laptop from time to time so that Jackie can have a break, please speak to Jackie or Tony. Training will be given.

### **Recycled Gifts**

So that we can run another successful Christmas stall for our Church funds we would like to invite anyone who has any unwanted gifts, non perishable items, or too many pairs of socks! to kindly donate them to our 2017 Christmas Stall. Please bring any items to the Church or keep them somewhere you can remember to find them and save for the stall. Thank you.

The theme for **2017 Christmas Tree Festival** is **BIBLE STORIES OR EVENTS FROM THE BIBLE**. Plenty of time to start thinking of ideas or if you stuck we be producing a list of suggestions.

### **If you would like a lift to Church**

We have some volunteers who can provide a lift to any newcomer or to anyone who cannot get to Church by their usual means to any of our Sunday or other services or events. If you think we might be able to help, please contact David Ormrod.

*Information for pew sheets to [pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk](mailto:pewsheets@stmarysbattle.org.uk) no later than **9pm Wednesday evenings**.*

## **ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BATTLE and CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TELHAM**

**Second Sunday of Epiphany 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

**Welcome to all – especially visitors and newcomers**

### **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, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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**

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Post Communion**

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## **READINGS AND HYMNS FOR TODAY AT ST. MARY'S**

**8.00am Holy Communion** The Dean

**9.30am Parish Communion** The Dean

**Readings:** 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 (p.1144)

John 1: 29-42 (p.1064)

**Hymns:** 55, 465, 294, 200 & 453 (*New English Hymnal*)

*(After the service all are warmly invited for refreshments in BWC)*

**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.

**6.00pm Choral Evensong** Mrs A Hassell

**Readings:** Ezekiel 2 v 1 - 3 v 4 (page 831)

John 1 v 43-end (page 1064)

**Psalm:** 96

**Hymns:** 52, 248, 200 and 252 (*New English Hymnal*)

**10.00am Holy Communion** Telham Canon Dr E Bryant

**Readings:** Isaiah 49 v 1-7

1 Corinthians 1 v 1-9

John 1 v 29-42

**Psalm:** 40 v 10-12

### **Every Thursday 10.30 am St. Mary's**

Midweek Communion in the Lady Chapel followed by Coffee and Fellowship in the Benedicta Whistler Centre. All welcome.

### **Every weekday morning at 8.00 am to 8.25am St Mary's**

The early morning prayer group meet each weekday morning in the St Catherine Chapel. Everyone is welcome to join with us.

### **Services next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2017**

**8.00am Holy Communion** St. Mary's

**9.30am Parish Communion** St. Mary's

**10.00am Holy Communion** 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.

### **Pastoral Care Team meeting - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

There will be a meeting of the Pastoral Care Team in the Benedicta Whistler Centre at **2.30pm**. If you are interested in joining the team and would like to find out more about what we do, you are welcome to this meeting. Contact Alison for further details.

### **Time for Prayer Monday - 16<sup>th</sup> January**

Please join us for our monthly time of prayer in the Benedicta Whistler Centre at **7.30pm**. We pray for our church, the world and any prayer requests you may have. *In McLeod*

### **Refreshment Team**

There are a number of vacant Sunday slots between the 9.30am and 11am services when refreshments are served. The current refreshments team need a few more willing helpers to cover some of the Sunday refreshments. If you enjoy this time of fellowship maybe you could sign up to help on a rota basis. The rota is on the notice board in the BWC or alternatively speak to Jill Edmondson or one of the other team members.