

### **Food Bank**

We have just finished a major stock check and would like to ask for contributions to be resumed. This week we would particularly like: pasta sauce, tins of fruit, jam, cat food and treats (chocolate, sweets etc.) There is a list of foods that are given out to clients on the basket in the West Porch. Over the last 3 weeks we have fed over a dozen clients, and have been able to give them time to talk.

We are grateful for your continued support. *Shelagh & Helen*

### **Love in a Box – Christmas shoe box collection**

Leaflets are available at the back of church explaining how to put together a shoebox of small gifts for a child, with suggestions of suitable items for children of different ages. Filled shoeboxes should be brought to the church for collection by Mustard Seed Relief Mission, no later than **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November** please. (Please supply your own empty shoebox. The local shoe shops are usually very cooperative and will let you have one if you ask them.)

### **Stalls for Christmas Tree Festival**

We would be grateful for donations of recycled gifts and good quality bric a brac, thank you to all those who have given so far. Donation boxes are at the back of the Church. Also please take a moment to consider if you are able to lend a hand for an hour or two over the weekend 25, 26 and 27<sup>th</sup> November and sign up on the notice boards the times you could help. Many thanks for your support!

### **Christmas Concert Tickets – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30-9pm**

A very special concert celebrating all kinds of music with a Christmas theme will be staged at **St Mary's Church, Battle**. Alice Osborne Brown and her friends will be organising a variety programme of music and songs. Tickets are now on sale at £2.00 each and can be obtained from Sue Blackman. All proceeds to Christmas Tree Festival Charities.

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**

**All Saints' Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

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

### **PARISH PRAYER FOR 2016**

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

### **9.30am Parish Communion**

**The Dean**

**Readings: Ephesians 1:11-end (P.1173)**

**Luke 6: 20-31 (p.1034)**

**Hymns: 197, 206, 205, 231 & 381 (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.

### **Re-opening of The Church of the Ascension, Telham**

The Church will definitely re-open on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 10am** for the first service after the redecoration works. The service will be led by the Reverend Iain Morrison.

### **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.

### **Services next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**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**

**6.00pm Commemoration of the faithful departed**

**St. Mary's**

### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 6pm**

A Commemoration of the faithful departed service will be held at St. Mary's. There will be tea and cakes served at 4.30pm for those who wish to enjoy some fellowship before the service. Please let the Dean know if you wish to come for refreshments, to help with catering. All are welcome.

### **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.

### **Mothers' Union – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

Mothers Union members and friends next meet at 10.30am for MU Communion or 11.30am for refreshments before the meeting begins. This month we will hear about Gladys Aylward, the parlour maid, who became a Missionary in China, saving the lives of hundreds of children. Visitors are always welcome to join us, for more information about MU or the meeting phone Valerie.

### **Friday Fellowship – 4<sup>th</sup> November**

We next meet at David's home, 28 Marley Gardens, Battle at **7.30pm.**

### **Recycled Christmas Cards**

Recycled cards will be on sale again at the back of the Church from the end of October. Please keep your eye out for them and have a look. Thank you for your support. *Sheila Gerken*