

UNITED BENEFICE e-NEWS

Sunday 10th November 2024 Remembrance

TWO WEEKS AHEAD

FRIDAY 8th

10.45 Childrens' Remembrance Service,Woodbridge War Memorial11.30 Communion at Grove Court

SATURDAY 9th

09.00 Morning Prayer via Zoom

SUNDAY 10th (Remembrance)

09.30 Said Benefice Eucharist,
Woodbridge (with coffee available afterwards in church, at the West End)
10.50 Remembrance, War Memorial at Great Bealings

10.50 Town Remembrance Service,Market Hill, Woodbridge17.30 Evening Prayer, Woodbridge

MONDAY 11th (Armistice Day) 10.00 Time to Reflect, **SMH**. All welcome.

TUESDAY 12th

10.00 – 14.30 Poppy's Pantry, SMH10.30 Communion at Seckford Chapel17.00 Christian Meditation, SMH. All welcome.

19.00 PCC Meeting, **SMH 19.30** Bellringers' practice

THURSDAY 14th

10.00 Said Eucharist, Woodbridge,followed by coffee14.15 Mothers' Union, SMH18.30 Choir rehearsal, SMH

FRIDAY 15th

Parish Office open to meet with Fr Nigel between 10am and 1pm

SATURDAY 16th November

09.00 Morning Prayer via Zoom19.00 'Singapore Evening', SMH (ticket only, see details below**)

SUNDAY 17th (2nd before Advent; Safeguarding Sunday)

o8.oo Said Benefice Eucharist, **Woodbridge**

10.00 Parish Eucharist, Woodbridge

10.30 Morning Prayer, Great Bealings

15.00 Friends' Event 'In conversation with Sir Stephen Lamport' (see details below*), **Woodbridge**

17.30 Evening Prayer, Woodbridge

MONDAY 18th

10.00 Time to Reflect, SMH. All welcome.

TUESDAY 19th

10.00 – 14.30 Poppy's Pantry, SMH 17.00 Christian Meditation, SMH. All welcome.

17.30 Governors' Meeting, St Mary's CE Primary

19.30 Bellringers' AGM, **Seckford Room**

WEDNESDAY 20th

Parish Office open to meet with Fr Nigel between 10am and 1pm

THURSDAY 21st (St Edmund King of East Angles, martyr, 850)

08.45 Woodbridge School Prep Assembly, **St Mary's, Woodbridge**

10.00 Said Eucharist, Woodbridge, followed by coffee

14.30 to 19.00 Sustrans 'Public Consultation' Event, SMH18.30 Choir rehearsal, (in church, Woodbridge)

FRIDAY 22nd (St Cecelia, c230)

11.30 Communion at Grove Court

17.30 Building Project Group, Seckford

Room

SATURDAY 23rd 09.00 Morning Prayer via Zoom

TODAY'S Readings
Sunday 10th November
(Remembrance)
Hebrews 9.24-end
Mark 1. 14-20

SUNDAY 24th (Christ the King)
o8.oo Said Benefice Eucharist,
Woodbridge
10.oo Parish Eucharist, Woodbridge
17.30 Evening Prayer, Woodbridge

Readings for NEXT TWO WEEKS Sunday 17th November (Safeguarding Sunday) Hebrews 10. 11-14, 19-25

Mark 13. 1-8

Sunday 24th November (Christ the King) Revelation 1. 4b-8 John 18. 33-37

NOTICES

ADVENT BOOK – Copies of 'The Love That Moves The Sun' by Paul Dominiak (Canterbury Press) are now available (along with Advent Calendars) in our Shop. If you would like to buy a copy and read it in your own time, we can all meet up to discuss and share our thoughts over a coffee & sandwich lunch on **Saturday 14**th **December** from **10am to 12.30pm** in the **Seckford Room in St Mary's House**.

**A SINGAPORE EVENING in aid of our Building Project Appeal, will be held on Saturday 16th November at 7pm. Tickets are £20 each, available from the Church Shop, and Helena Lim-Poole will be our chef for the evening. It will be a buffet-style meal so you can sample different dishes (some vegetarian options available). There will also be a raffle and donation bar.

*FRIENDS' EVENT is on Sunday 17th November at 3pm, entitled 'Embassies, Palaces & Abbeys – a life of service' featuring Sir Stephen Lamport, former diplomat, Private Secretary to the Prince of Wales, and Receiver General of Westminster Abbey, in conversation with Nick Young. This should be a very interesting evening, so please come along, and invite your friends to join us. As usual, there will be a donation bar and a parting collection in aid of the church building.

HOUSE OF COMMONS – The first debate on 'Assisted Dying for Terminally III Adults Bill' is scheduled for 29th November. Please continue to pray for the most considered and wisest outcome. There is a display of latest correspondence on the red board inside St Mary's, Woodbridge, by doctors and palliative carers as well as clergy.

OUR CHRISTMAS MARKET is taking place in the church on **Saturday 30**th **November**, from **3pm to 5pm**. There will be a variety of stalls, and a separate handout is available for you to see what type of donations we are looking for. Please also see the sign-up sheet at the back of church for help on the day, including with setting up and clearing away afterwards, and contact Alison or Michelle (churchwarden-m@stmaryswoodbridge.org) with any queries. Thank you.

BENEFICE OFFICE is closed from Friday 8th November and reopens on Tuesday 26th November, but Fr Nigel will be in the office on **Friday 15th November** and **Wednesday 20th November** from **10am to 1pm**.

NEW PATRON – We are pleased to announce that Maggi Hambling, CBE, has agreed to 'take' Gill Notcutt's place. She has also offered us a painting to raffle or sell in the near future as a pledge of support for our 'modernising' plans for both St Mary's House and Church. This is great news!

ST MARY'S HOUSE ELECTRICAL REPORT – This 5-yearly safety inspection has been deemed 'unsatisfactory' in several areas, some of which are of serious concern for health & safety, and which our PCC will need to address.

THE TOWER WORKS are now under way as part of our last Quinquennial Inspection. This restoration work is not part of our present & future Building Project Appeal. It will cost some £80,000 and use up all our PCC Fabric Fund. We shall be posting photographs and further details to keep everyone up to date.

NEW DEFIBRILLATOR – This has now arrived thanks to the hard work of Churchwarden David Sharples and the Rector. Between them this has been funded by a Government grant and, from the Facilities Budget of Councillor Ruth Leach. We are very grateful to her as, we feel sure, the wider Market Hill community and shops will be. Good news!

NEXT GREAT BEALINGS PCC MEETING has been confirmed for Tuesday 26th November at 7.30pm.

'AN EVENING WITH GRIFF RHYS JONES' is going to be a huge charity gig for our Building Project Appeal, on Friday 3rd January at 7.30pm in the Riverside Theatre. Tickets will be £15 each, so please encourage all your family & friends well in advance!

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

(please <u>click here</u> for the Diocesan Prayer Diary)

COLLECT (PRAYER FOR REMEMBRANCETIDE)

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed
the kingdom
and restored the broken to
wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the
anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and
nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus
Christ.
AMEN

COLLECT (PRAYER FOR WEEK COMMENCING 17TH NOVEMBER)

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER)

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we
long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
AMEN

The Benefice Office is CLOSED until Tuesday 26th November

In the meantime, please contact St Mary's Rectory (01394 610424) for all Baptism, Wedding and Funeral enquiries.

For enquiries regarding bookings for the church or St Mary's House, please contact either of our Churchwardens, David or Michelle:

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