# St Peter's Church, St Albans

Third Sunday before Advent
Remembrance Sunday
II November 2018

## Welcome!



If you are new or a visitor please introduce yourself to one of those welcoming at the door. We are pleased to have you with us.

There is a **children's corner** at the back of church for babies and young children, and changing facilities are available. There is no **Junior Church** today as the children join us for our All-Age Service.

# Today

A reminder that there are NO Mattins or Evensong services today. Instead, there will be a Public Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at 10.55am and an Ecumenical Service also at the War Memorial at 6.30pm.

#### This Week

The next 'Tea on Tuesday' will be on Tuesday 13 November from 2.30 to 4pm in the Octagon. You are welcome to join us for afternoon tea and chat. Please let the office know if you can attend - call 01727 855485 or email mail@stpeterschurch.uk.com

# **Diary This Week**

Mon 12	2.30pm	Circle Dancing in the Octagon
	7.30pm	Bellringing
	8pm	Lectio Divina in the Library
Tues 13	9.30am	Toddler Time
	lpm	Lunchtime Eucharist
	2.30pm	Tea on Tuesday
	6pm	The Core
	7.30om	Choir Rehearsal
Wed I4	lpm	Lunchtime Recital - The Icknield Ensemble
Thurs 15	10am	Baby Time
	10.30am	Chatterbox Coffee Morning (at MRMC)
Fri 16	7pm	Choir Rehearsal

#### **Notes on the Services**

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An INDUCTION LOOP is installed - please switch hearing aid to "T" position. LARGE PRINT versions of our service booklets are available. A collection is taken as part of our offering of worship. This directly supports our ministry & mission. If a UK tax payer, we would be grateful if you would consider placing your gift in a gift aid envelope, filling in your details and signing. This will enable us to reclaim the tax that you have paid on the donation.

# **Services Today**

Whichever service you are attending, we hope our worship will be a blessing to you. Gluten-free wafers are available at our communion services on request.

#### 8am Holy Communion by Extension (Book of Common Prayer)

Led by Canon Margaret Tinsley, Reader Collect, Epistle and Gospel – p195

#### 9.30am All-Age Remembrance Service with Holy Communion

President: Revd Mark Dearnley, Vicar

Please refer to the separate service booklet.

**Community Coffee –** There will be NO coffee after today's service so that those who wish to attend the Public Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at 10.55am, may do so.

# 10.55am Public Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

#### 6.30pm Ecumenical Service at the War Memorial

Including prayers led by the Bishop of St Albans and followed by beacon lighting and bell ringing.

### **NOTICES AND NEWS**

# **Forthcoming Dates**

Monday 12 November 8pm	Lectio Divina in the Library
Tuesday 13 November 2.30pm	Tea on Tuesday
Wednesday 21 November 8pm	PCC meeting
Friday 23 November 6.45pm	Singing on Sunday rehearsal
Saturday 24 November 10.30am	Baptism Preparation
Saturday 24 November 5pm	Film and Food Night (school years 3 – 6)
Sunday 25 November 9.30am	Singing on Sunday
Sunday 25 November	Choir Performathon
Tuesday 27 November 8pm	Book Group – Love and War by Liz Trenow
Saturday   December   Iam -	Choral Christmas Fair
4pm	
Sunday 2 December 6.30pm	Advent Carol Service
Monday 3 December 8pm	Lectio Divina in the Library
Tuesday 4 December 8pm	Compline
Thursday 6 December 7pm	Rennie Grove Carol Concert
Saturday 8 December 10am	Messy Church with Christingle
Saturday 8 December 7.30pm	St Albans Chamber Choir Concert
Sunday 9 December 4pm	Mayor's Carol Service at the Clock Tower

#### **Notices**

**Service Support** - If you would like to join the rota of readers and /or intercessors at our 9.30am, 11.15am or 6.30pm services, or would like further information, please contact Margaret (859528)

**Church lighting** – The upgrade to the church lighting is ALMOST complete, however please be aware that there could be some areas of the church which are not accessible at times.

Winter Beds Project - Once again St Albans churches, in conjunction with Open Door, will be running the winter night shelter for rough sleepers on very cold nights this winter. If you might like to volunteer, please contact Richard Butler <a href="mailto:rb@stpeterschurch.uk.com">rb@stpeterschurch.uk.com</a> for more information.

**Singing on Sunday** - Calling all singers! Another exciting opportunity to let your voice be heard has arrived! Join in with the choir on **Sunday 25 November** at the 9.30am service to fill the church in glorious song. There will be a rehearsal on **23 November at 6.45pm** for those who are willing to add their dulcet tones to our joyful singing. No experience required. All who are willing are welcome.

Our First **Film & Food Night** for school years 3-6! **Saturday 24 November 5-7pm**. Pizza in the Octagon at 5pm followed by the film in the Chancel at 5.30. £2 per young person. Adults drop off and leave, collect at 7pm. Tuck shop available. Bring a pillow or beanbag.

**Book Group** – The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 27 November** at 8pm at 2 Rowlatt Court, Hillside Road, when we shall discuss *In Love and War* by Liz Trenow. After the First World War, three women are searching for traces of men they have loved and lost....although very different they are united in their search for a reconciliation. They must accept what the war took from them and look ahead to what life might bring in the future. New members are always welcome. Further details from Margaret jemjtinsley@hotmail.com

#### Advent

**Advent Carol Service:** Advent Sunday **2 December** at 6.30 pm. Followed by mulled wine and mince pies. If you are able to help with refreshments, please contact the church office <a href="mail@stpeterschurch.uk.com">mail@stpeterschurch.uk.com</a>

**Advent Reflections**: An opportunity to make the most of this season in preparation for Christmas. Time for reflection followed by Compline. Takes place in church on **Tuesday 4 December 2017** at 8pm. All welcome. Please speak to Mark Dearnley for more information.

#### Friends Notices

St Peter's Choral Christmas Fair Saturday I December 2018, I I am - 2.30pm. Proceedings will be opened by Mark. The Choral Winter Fair is taking place inside the church and proceedings will have a Christmassy feel with choral music being performed by St Peter's Choir and visiting choirs. Santa Claus will be in his grotto for the children to visit and there will be a seasonal theme to the stalls, games and refreshments. We are also inviting a selected number of local charities to participate with their stalls free of charge.

Many thanks to those who have already come forward with offers of help.

The Friends organising team are few in number and we continue to rely on substantial help from outside to make our larger events happen. In this instance we shall need a number of volunteers to help set up /take down and to run a stall on the day. Please advise your availability for a minimum 2 hour stint to Robin Farrar (01727 832621, robin@robinfarrar.co.uk). Donations to stock church stalls are now required and can be left by the Tower door, that is Bottles for the Bottle Tombola, unused items which are no longer required for Yvonne's 'Nearly New Stall'(e.g. duplicated purchases or recycled gifts but no clothes please on this occasion) and donations of cakes for sale on the day.

Looking further ahead we will be getting 2019 off in style on **Saturday 5 January** at 7.30pm with a concert themed '**Music for a Tudor Christmas and New Year**'. The Pastime Ensemble together with The Stonesfield Players, comprising a group of, mainly professional, musicians under the lead of Jeremy White are once again freely offering their services in support of St Peter's.

#### Children and Youth

**Youth Cafe** - A new launch is being planned. Watch this space! Contact Laura Harvey for further information <a href="mailto:l.harvey@stpeterschurch.uk.com">l.harvey@stpeterschurch.uk.com</a>

**The Core** is for ages 9 -14 on Tuesdays from 6 until 7.15pm term-time only. If you are aged 9 - 14 come and join us for a relaxed and fun time. More details from Laura Harvey <a href="mailto:l.harvey@stpeterschurch.uk.com">l.harvey@stpeterschurch.uk.com</a>

Messy Church is once a month on a Friday morning from 10-11.30am. We begin with refreshments followed by a short bible-themed story and then 45 minutes of crafts ranging from gluing, painting, sand and play dough, decorating cakes, etc. We end with songs and a prayer. Everyone is welcome. Our next Messy Church is on **Saturday 8 December** at 10am and will include our Christingle service! For more information contact Kate Berry k.berry@stpeterschurch.uk.com or the church office mail@stpeterschurch.uk.com

## **Christmas Nativity**

This year's nativity will be themed on the TV show Goggle Box. It takes place on **Sunday 16 December** during the 9.30am service. Rehearsals are on Sunday 2 December from 11.15am until 12.45pm, Sunday 9 December from 11.30am until 1pm. Dress rehearsal on Saturday 15 December 11am-1pm followed by lunch. Please let Laura know by **Tuesday 20 November** if you would like to take part. <a href="mailto:lharvey@stpeterschurch.uk.com">lharvey@stpeterschurch.uk.com</a>

## Please pray ....

For those in need – Don Gibbons, Cathy and Eamonn Ryan and those on our long term prayer list.

RIP - Barbara Francis, Bob Sollis and Ann West

**Parish Prayer List & Prayer Chain:** If you would like to request a name on the parish prayer list, please pass names to one of the ministerial team. If you would like to pass on your, or someone else's name, to our Prayer Chain, please contact Betty Pickbourne 859704, Sheelagh Marlow 863520, <a href="mailto:sheelaghmm@aol.com">sheelaghmm@aol.com</a>, or Margaret Tinsley 859528, <a href="mailto:jeemitinsley@hotmail.com">jeemitinsley@hotmail.com</a>. No need to give details and names are not disclosed.

# Services next Sunday 18 November Second Sunday before Advent

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am Holy Communion (Junior Church and children's corner)

11.15am Choral Mattins with Baptisms

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Morning Prayer is said Tuesday to Friday in the Chancel 9am - 9.30am. There is normally a lunchtime Eucharist on Tuesday Ipm - 1.30pm followed by coffee.

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