

## **ON THIS WEEK**

### **MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

9.30am Revd Diane meeting at Bacton  
6.30pm **Meditation group meet at 43 Barking Road (note a week early)**

7.00pm Revd Diane Bosmere Governors meeting

### **TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

9.30am Tuesday Tots in the ARK  
11.00am Prayer group meeting **in Church**

### **WEDNESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

11.15am Revd Diane Uvedale Hall  
Communion

### **THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

10.30am Christians Together at Christchurch  
Revd Mary Playford  
7.30pm PCC meeting in the ARK

### **SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**

10.00am Sung Eucharist  
4.00pm Cafe Church

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## **Please include in your prayers**

-Madge and Iris;  
-Ruth and family  
-the Ruby family, especially for Linda  
- Roland's mother Lore and for Roland and Allison  
-Lisa  
- all those recently bereaved especially the family of Frank Barker whose funeral was this week.  
-for those who, through war and famine must watch their children die.  
-now the cold weather is here for the people who run the night shelter and those to need to use it.  
Give them your peace and comfort.  
-may all leaders and heads of state take wise advice and act responsibly for the well being of all.  
-for those involved in the Rural Resourcing Church initiative

*We also pray for the many names that appear on our prayer board and all those who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who are in pain and distress and for those who care for loved ones. Give skills to doctors and nurses and patience to all those who care for invalids.*

-as we commemorate 100 years since the end of WW1 we remember all those have lost their lives in all the wars in those 100 years in the name of bringing peace to the world. Let us give thanks for their sacrifice so that we might live in a peaceful land.

**St. John the Baptist Church  
Needham Market.**

### **SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** **3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT** **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

9.00am Said Eucharist in church  
10.45am REMEMBRANCE SERVICE at the COMMUNITY CENTRE followed by LAYING OF WREATHS at the BURIAL GROUND

#### **Readings – Said Eucharist**

Jonah Ch3 v1-5,10	pg928
Hebrews Ch9 v24-end	pg1207
Mark Ch1 v 14-20	pg1002

#### **Collect**

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of all;  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God now and forever Amen

**SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 10.00am**  
**– 12.30pm Christmas Fayre and Coffee**  
**Morning at the Community Centre**

Thank you to all those who have come forward to run stalls and help.

We are in need of help for refreshments or to run the raffle. Kate Dines has put her name down for refreshments but will need a couple of helpers. I can help her but it means someone needs to replace me at the raffle table.

We also need cakes, buns etc to be made and donated for the cake stall and we need cakes, mince pies, and any other Christmas treats you can think of to sell with the refreshments.

So please do think of what you can contribute and let me know because without your help we won't have much of a Christmas Fayre.

**STALL HOLDERS REQUESTING**  
**DONATIONS for their STALLS**

Wendy is running a **Toiletries stall** and she would be grateful for any donations, perhaps unwanted gifts or unused shower gel, hand cream, body lotions or cosmetics etc. Please note that items must be new and unused and if possible in their original box.

We will need prizes for the **Raffle stall** – only new items please or unwanted gifts. Josee and her family from Holland are running a **Quality Bric-a-brac** stall. As the name suggests only good quality items please we do not want to turn this into a jumble sale,

I am sorry if I sound pedantic over this but we want this to be a success so that people will remember it and come again next year.

**Please speak to me for any further**  
**details Thank you Carol Long**

**SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER**

The town will be holding a Street Fayre on this Sunday so we are looking for volunteers to “man” the church to welcome visitors and offer refreshments between the service and the concert.

***Rota on notice board please sign up. If we do not get enough volunteers to help then we will not be able to serve refreshments or show people what has been going on in the church.***

**SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 3.30pm**  
**Castleton Brass Christmas Concert in Church**

This concert is always enjoyable and a good way to start the Christmas festivities

Tickets will be £5 each and available on the door.

**MOTHERS' UNION**  
**TRAVELLING CRIBS**

If you would like to look after the Holy Family during the Advent season, please let me know as soon as possible.

Val Jeffreys, Branch Leader

**LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX**

**APPEAL** A big THANK YOU to those who filled a shoebox this year, 19 boxes were collected on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Jeff & Val

**From the Vicarage**

There is a great deal of thinking, praying, planning and working to grow the Church in this diocese going on, with our Diocesan Growing in God strategy at the heart of it all.

The Growing in God strategy has four strands to it - you will have heard all this in the past – with growing in depth, growing in influence, growing in number and growing younger the key elements

We are encouraged continually to reflect on how our ministry and mission are enabling these four strands and over two years ago we set our three key aims for our church under this process - to grow in depth (by undertaking more Bible study and fellowship), to grow in influence (by producing attractive publicity and information material) and to look at our baptism resources, preparation and the baptism service (again something we have worked at.)

On **WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** the diocese held a **Growing in God Roadshow** for Bosmere and Stowmarket Deaneries, at Trinity School, Lavenham Way Combs beginning at 6.45 and finishing at about 9.15.

A number of workshops were offered on a whole range of areas, some of them quite useful and interesting and all attending will be invited to attend two of these. There were lots of resources and ideas available –and cake, the best in the diocese, we were told, was on offer

Some of what was presented ties in with the ideas beginning to emerge in the Resourcing Church discussions which are continuing. More of that soon.

Diane