

# St Mary's Weekly Bulletin 22nd December 2013

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## A very warm welcome to everyone!

If you are a visitor or newcomer please introduce yourself to the clergy or a member of the congregation. Please join us for refreshments after the service.



An **induction loop system** is provided to assist hearing aid users. Please switch your hearing aid to the 'T' position.

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**Norma Howie** is the benefice administrator, and enquiries re baptisms and weddings should be made through her. The office is open Monday and Wednesday 8.30am - 4.00pm, Thursday 12.30pm - 3.00pm and Friday 12 noon - 3.00pm.

## Services Today

<b>8.00am</b>	<b>NO Said Eucharist</b>
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>Presiding</b>	The Revd Karen Turner
<b>Preaching</b>	The Revd Karen Turner
<b>Hymns</b>	698, 265, 100, 182, 759
<b>Sides Duty</b>	Paul and Joy West
<b>Warden</b>	Chris Bentley
<b>Reader</b>	Joyce Worboys
<b>Intercessions</b>	Katharine Harper
<b>Offertory</b>	Susan and Colin Rivett
<b>Chalice</b>	Paul West
<b>Organist</b>	Chris Muhley
<b>Coffee</b>	Daphne Wicks and Ann Wiggins
<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer (said)</b>

**Please pray for** Vera Pocock, Bill Dell, Riskala Dekki, Gemma Jakeman, Nesta Hancocks, Tony and Irene Mayes, Paul Boggis, Pam and Ivor Stringer, Richard Wyatt, Doreen Crago, Sister Margaret ASSP, Molly Witts, Shirley Godson, Nancy Abraham.

**Deanery prayers this month** are asked for St Mary's in the old town of Hemel and their Christmas services.

**Among those who have died recently**, please remember Pam Champney, who will be known to many of the older members of St Mary's.

**Please also pray for** Alan, Bishop of St Albans; Paul, Bishop of Hertford; Richard, Bishop of Bedford; the Diocese of Yokohama (Japan), and the Bishop, Laurence Yutaka Minabe; the parish of Willington; those who prepare refreshments on Sunday; the Holiday Inn Express on London Road; thanksgiving for the birth of Christ; all who will worship at St Mary's over the Christmas period; all who are homeless or refugees; the work of DENS and other charities supporting homeless people; members of the armed forces away from their families over Christmas; peace in the Holy Land.

## THIS WEEK

<b>Monday 23rd</b>	9.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Working Party 5.00pm Evening Prayer 8.00pm Bellringing practice
<b>Tuesday 24th</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b> 9.00am <b>Morning Prayer</b> 3.30pm <b>Crib service</b> 11.15pm <b>Midnight Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday 25th</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b> NO 8.00am service 10.00am <b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>Thursday 26th</b>	<b>STEPHEN, DEACON, FIRST MARTYR</b> No Morning Prayer or Eucharist
<b>Friday 27th</b>	<b>JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST</b> 9.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Working Party
<b>Saturday 28th</b>	<b>THE HOLY INNOCENTS</b> 9.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Saturday Cafe in the Refectory
<b>Sunday 29th</b>	<b>THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS</b> No 8.00am Said Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist/Youth Groups 5.00pm Service of Lessons and Carols followed by a farewell reception for Karen as she prepares to leave St Mary's for Belize

**At the back of church is a large brown envelope in which you can put any used stamps from your Christmas cards. These can help the Hospice of St Francis.**

## NOTICES

There is a basket at the back of church for **donations towards flowers** in church at Christmas. Also, at the back of church is a **hamper which will be given to Nascent House at Christmas.**

Donations to the hamper will be welcomed! Please note that none of the items should have alcohol in them.

**Would members of the congregation not send Christmas cards to each other but sign the big card at the back of church and put a donation to DENS in the pot provided instead.**

**St Mary's Apple Juice makes an ideal Christmas present at £2.50 a bottle!** Bottles are available from Susan or Colin Rivett(01442 266129). Susan and Colin are happy to deliver 4 bottles or more locally.

**The result of various collections for charities is as follows:**

<i>The Philippines Appeal</i>	
<i>(Christian Aid)</i>	£121.23
<i>The Christingle service</i>	£66.77
<i>Carol singing</i>	
<i>(DENS)</i>	£237.04

On Saturday 11th January 2014 there will be another **Epiphany Games Day** in the Refectory from 3.00pm until 6.00pm. Please bring all your Christmas (and older) board games to church and find an eager selection of players! Hot drinks/squash will be provided and feel free to bring your own snacks.