

# St Mary's Weekly Bulletin 21st December 2014

## 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.

Anyone wishing to receive Holy Communion at home, a visit or wishing to arrange a funeral please contact **David** directly.

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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 8.00am - 3.30pm, Thursday 12.30pm - 3.00pm and Friday 12 noon - 3.00pm.

## Services Today

### No 8.00am Said Eucharist

<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>Presiding</b>	Canon David Lawson
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<b>Hymns</b>	698, 182, 631, 938, 759
<b>Sides Duty</b>	Tony and Rachel Woods
<b>Warden</b>	Chris Bentley
<b>Reader</b>	Melanie Henley
<b>Intercessions</b>	Chris Bentley
<b>Offertory</b>	The Shirley Family
<b>Organist</b>	Chris Muhley
<b>Coffee</b>	Daphne Wicks and Ann Wiggins
<b>3.30pm</b>	<b>Christingle service</b>

**Please pray for** Bill Dell; Jenson Galloway, Linda Dainton, Nancy Abraham, Graeme Baker, Paul Boggis, Fr Don Butler, Doreen and Hedley Crago, Riskala Dekki, Shirley Godson, Eileen Kemp, Tony and Irene Mayes, Vera Pocock, Ivor Stringer, Clare Tofield-Wallington, Molly Witts and Richard Wyatt.

**Please also pray for** Alan, Bishop of St Albans; Richard, Bishop of Bedford; the Diocese of Kontagora (Lokoja, Nigeria), and the Bishop, Jonah Ibrahim; the appointment of the Revd Libby Lane, Vicar of St Peter's Hale and St Elizabeth's Ashely in the Chester Diocese, as Bishop of Stockport, the first woman bishop in the Church of England; the PCC; the Paper Trail Project and Frogmore Mill; the Christingle service; The Children's Society; our preparations for Christmas; those sleeping rough at this time; DENS; persecuted Christians; the children and their teachers killed in the attack on the school in Peshawar, Pakistan; those who died in and who have been traumatised by the hostage incident in Sydney, Australia.

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## THIS WEEK

### Monday 22nd

No Morning Prayer  
10.00am Working Party  
5.00pm Evening Prayer  
8.00pm Bellringing practice

### Tuesday 23rd

9.00am Morning Prayer  
No Buzzy Bees in Refectory  
5.00pm Evening Prayer

### Wednesday 24th CHRISTMAS EVE

9.00am Morning Prayer  
3.30pm Crib service  
11.15am Midnight Mass

### Thursday 25th CHRISTMAS DAY

8.00am Said Eucharist  
10.00am Sung Eucharist

### Friday 26th STEPHEN, DEACON, FIRST MARTYR

No services today

### Saturday 27th JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

No Morning Prayer  
10.00am Saturday Cafe

### Sunday 28th THE HOLY INNOCENTS

No 8.00am Said Eucharist  
10.00am Sung Eucharist/Youth Groups  
6.30pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

## NOTICES

**Thank you** to everyone who supported the annual Florence Longman concert, the carol singing outside Sainsbury's yesterday and the making of the Christingles for this afternoon's service.

There is a basket at the back of church for **donations towards the cost of flowers in church at Christmas.**

Contributions to the next issue of the **Benefice Newsletter** should be emailed to the editor by 31st December at [langeleinews@btinternet.com](mailto:langeleinews@btinternet.com)

Sunday 4th January 2015 - **Taize service** at St Mary's at 6.30pm.

**The next Team Council meeting** is at St Mary's on Tuesday 13th January at 8.00pm in the Refectory.

The **Wedding Preparation Evening** for St Mary's and All Saints is on Friday 16th January at 7.30pm at All Saints. There is also a **Wedding Fair** at Shendish Manor on Sunday 18th January from 10.00am until 4.00pm. The Deanery clergy are participating in the event.

There is a **Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child** service on Saturday 17th January at 10.00am.

The diocesan newspaper **SeeRound** is no longer going to be available each month as a hard copy, though if you wish one it can be printed for you. To sign up and receive it online visit [www.stalbans.anglican.org/news/seround](http://www.stalbans.anglican.org/news/seround) Click the link and follow the instructions.

If you place a cash collection in the offertory plate and are a UK tax payer, please use the blue envelope in the pews adding details of your name, address and post code. These details are essential for the church to claim Gift Aid on your offering.