

# WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

## for St Mary's Apsley End and St Benedict's Bennetts End

	This week Sun 6 Dec	Next week Sun 13 Dec	Diary this week w/c 7 December
<b>8am</b>	<b>Service cancelled</b>	<b>No Service</b>	
<b>10am</b>	<b>Eucharist in St Benedict's &amp; on Zoom</b>	<b>Eucharist in St Mary's &amp; on Zoom</b>	
Presiding	Lizzie Hood	James McDonald	
Warden	Decide on the day	Sylvia Low	
Sides person	Decide on the day	Susan Rivett	
Welcomer	Decide on the day	Fiona Shirley	
Reading Gospel	Lauren Shirley Enitan Onabamiro	Dan Shirley	
Intercessions	Katherine Howlett	Katharine Harper via Zoom	
<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Sunday School on Zoom</b>	<b>Sunday School on Zoom</b>	

St B's Collect for Growth	St M's Collect for Growth
<b>Dear God</b> , fill our hearts with your love and the glow of your Holy Spirit. Grow this church family within our community and let your good news spread. <b>Amen.</b>	<b>Dear Lord</b> , please help us grow St Mary's Church. As we grow in love of you, draw new people week by week into this church family. May we show your love to all, within and beyond our walls. <b>In Jesus' name. Amen</b>

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Notices	
While our two churches are worshipping together on Sunday mornings, we are using a combined bulletin. Please email information, dates, notices etc to: <a href="mailto:stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com">stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com</a> by 12.00 noon each Wednesday.	
St M's church continues to be <b>OPEN on Thursdays for private prayer from approx 9.30am-3.00pm.</b> While in Tier 2 (Covid) we are running combined 'in church' & 'on Zoom' services. This could change at short notice so do check the St Mary's calendar.	<b>Fundraising:</b> Gemma W & Helen B are planning to run: 1. A Christmas cake raffle (to be drawn at Messy Church on 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec) 2. A live Christmas Scavenger Hunt in the churchyard on Sat 12 Dec 1 – 3pm (weather dependent) 3. A homemade cake sale. Details will be on Facebook and the website. It would be great to have lots of support.
It is still important to <b>book a place if you wish to attend either church in person.</b> For St M's: by phone 07946 736267 or by email <a href="mailto:stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com">stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com</a> . For St B's: by email <a href="mailto:enitanonabamiro@gmail.com">enitanonabamiro@gmail.com</a> .	<b>Next Sunday at 4.00pm</b> we will be holding a "Sponsor a carol singalong" on Zoom. Please use the 'donations' button on the website.
<b>Christmas Cards</b> £3 for 10 cards, 5 of each design. Please email requests for cards (St M's email above). Packs of cards can be collected from Manorville Road, or delivered if you are unable to pick them up.	<b>Santa, on the Rotary Santa Sleigh, assisted by people from St B's &amp; St M's</b> , will be travelling around the Belswains Lane area on <b>Fri 18 Dec</b> . If you would like to help deliver leaflets beforehand please contact Viv. There will be no cash collections on the night, but donations can be made via the 'HemelRotary' website or their Facebook page (where details of routes, dates etc can also be found).
<b>Are there residents local to you who would like a card from St M's?</b> Please let us know (St M's email above).	<b>Please continue to pray for strength and recovery</b> for Rev Richard Howlett, Trevor Wilson and Eric Malin in your prayers as they deal with their various health issues.
<b>If you usually leave Christmas cards in the church for other church members to pick up</b> , please could you send them direct to those people this year as so few people can actually get into the church to pick things up.	<b>RIP Simon Baynes</b> , husband of Clare Baynes who was our lovely NSM Curate at St Mary's. Janet has sent a card to Clare on behalf of the Benefice.
<b>The Dec 2020 Benefice Newsletter</b> is on the website (button on the St Mary's webpage). Thanks to Mike & Jean Crisp once again.	<b>On the 24<sup>th</sup> Dec there will be NO Midnight service at St M's or St B's</b> but other services are available on-line. Please watch the online calendar for details.
<b>Oxygen Recovery at Nascent House</b> We will be providing a Christmas hamper of seasonal goodies (nothing containing alcohol). If you would like to contribute, contact Susan Rivett: 07908 644600 / <a href="mailto:rivetts@aol.com">rivetts@aol.com</a> or Viv Hagel: 01442 394657 / <a href="mailto:vivian.hagel@ntlworld.com">vivian.hagel@ntlworld.com</a>	<b>Further dates for your diary:</b> <b>15 Dec 8.00pm</b> Benefice Environmental Group meeting on Zoom <b>24 Dec 3.00pm</b> Crib service on Zoom