

WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

	This week Sun 13 Dec	Next week Sun 20 Dec	Diary this week w/c 14 December
8am	No Service	No Service	MONDAY <u>10-12</u> Working Party at St M's
10am	Eucharist in St Mary's & on Zoom	Eucharist in St Benedict's & on Zoom	TUESDAY Meeting of Langelei Benefice Environmental Team
Presiding	James McDonald	Richard Howlett	WEDNESDAY <u>4.15pm</u> Wardens+ Meeting on Zoom
Warden	Sylvia Low	Tbc	THURSDAY <u>9am-3pm</u> St M's open for private prayer
Sidesperson	Susan Rivett	Tbc	<u>9.30am</u> Morning Prayer St M's on Zoom
Welcomer	Fiona Shirley	Tbc	<u>10.15am</u> Bible Study St M's on Zoom
Reading	Dan Shirley	Melanie Henley	<u>6-8pm</u> St M's & St B's Santa Sleigh outing around Belswains Lane
Intercessions	Katharine Harper via Zoom	Enitan Onabamiro	<u>8.00pm</u> Study group on Zoom
11.15am	Sunday School on Zoom	Sunday School on Zoom	FRIDAY <u>10am-12</u> Working Party at St M's
Afternoon	3pm Sponsor a Carol Singalong on Zoom No Evening Prayer	3pm Messy Church on Zoom	SATURDAY <u>10.00am</u> Saturday Café on Zoom
			SUNDAY <u>3pm</u> Messy Church and Christmas Hamper Raffle draw on Zoom

St B's Collect for Growth
Dear God, 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.
Amen.

St M's Collect for Growth
Dear Lord, 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.
In Jesus' name. Amen

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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: stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com by 12.00 noon each Wednesday.

Sponsor a Carol Sing-a-long TODAY

4pm on Zoom. Informal carol singing. Please use the '[Donate to St Mary's](#)' button on the St M's webpage. We each need to use our own sources for the words as we may not be able to project them. There is a link to our hymn book on the calendar entry online.

St M's church continues to be **OPEN on Thursdays for private prayer from approx 9.30am-3.00pm.**

While in Covid Tier 2 we are running combined 'in church' & 'on Zoom' services. Check the St Mary's calendar.

It is still important to **book a place if you wish to attend either church in person.**

For St M's: by phone 07946 736267 or by email stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com.

For St B's: by email enitanonabamiro@gmail.com.

Christmas cards are available: £3 for 10 cards, 5 of each design. 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.

Are there residents local to you who would appreciate a card from St M's?

Please let us know (St M's email above).

If you usually leave Christmas cards in the church for other church members to pick up, 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.

The Christmas Hamper Raffle is running all this week & will be drawn at the start of Messy Church on 20th Dec at 3pm. Please email gemmawiggins@yahoo.co.uk for tickets (£1 each) & pay via the '[Donate to St Mary's](#)' button on the website. Details & photos are available [here](#) & via Facebook or the website. It would be great to have lots of support. Thank you to Gemma W & Helen B for their fundraising work recently.

Santa, on the Rotary Santa Sleigh, assisted by people from St B's & St M's will be travelling around the Belswains Lane area on **Fri 18 Dec.**

If you would like to help deliver leaflets beforehand, please contact Viv. Donations can be made via the 'HemelRotary' website or their Facebook page (where details of routes, dates etc can also be found).

Our Crib Service will take place via Zoom on Christmas Eve at 3pm. Login to see & hear the Christmas story unfold in St M's. Why not dress up at home as your favourite Nativity figure? Details on the calendar.

Oxygen Recovery at Nascent House

We will be providing a Christmas hamper of seasonal goodies (nothing containing alcohol). If you can contribute, contact Susan Rivett: 07908 644600 / rivetts@aol.com or Viv Hagel: 01442 394657 / vivian.hagel@ntlworld.com

Please continue to pray for strength and recovery for Rev Richard Howlett, Trevor Wilson and Eric Malin in your prayers as they deal with their various health issues.

On the 24th Dec there will be NO Midnight service at St M's or St B's but other services are available on-line. Please watch the online calendar for details.