

WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

	Today Sun 3 Jan	Next week Sun 10 Jan	Diary this week w/c 4 January 2021 MONDAY 10-12 Very distanced Working Party in churchyard only at St M's TUESDAY 4.30pm Wardens+ Meeting via Zoom THURSDAY 9am-3pm St M's open for private prayer 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom 10.15am Bible Study via Zoom 8.00pm Study Group via Zoom FRIDAY 10-12 Very distanced Working Party in churchyard only at St M's SATURDAY 10.00am Saturday Café on Zoom
8am	No Service	No Service	
10am	Eucharist in St Mary's & on Zoom	Family Service in St Benedict's & on Zoom	
Presiding	Richard Howlett	Richard Howlett	
Warden	Sylvia Low	Tbc	
Sides-people	Ann Wiggins	Tbc	
Welcomer	Roger & Angela Witts	Tbc	
Reading	Jenny Houghton via Zoom	Alan Gowlett	
Gospel	Enitan Onabamiro via Zoom	n/a	
Inter-cessions	Laura Graham-Brown	Katharine Harper	
11.15am	Sunday School via Zoom	Sunday School via Zoom	
5pm	No Service	Evening Prayer via 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

Contact Details

Team Vicar: Rev Richard Howlett 01442 767738 revrhowlett@gmail.com
Website, email list & calendar: www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk/stmarys/
Facebook: Search for: St Mary's Apsley End
General enquiries: stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com
Churchwardens: Sylvia Low (St M's) 07742 610932 sylviaylow@gmail.com
 Harry Graham-Brown (St M's) 07918 071542 harry.gb63@gmail.com
 Enitan Onabamiro (St B's) enitanonabamiro@gmail.com
Safeguarding: Susan Rivett 07908 644600 safeguardingstmarysaps@gmail.com
 Katharine Harper 07881 602024 safeguardingstmarysaps@gmail.com
Administrator: Norma Howie, 01923 266596 saintskl2@tiscali.co.uk
Office closed, please contact the administrator by e-mail.

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.

HAPPY NEW YEAR. Let's pray this is the year we come out of the Covid tyranny. **While in Covid Tier 4** we are still 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.

Also please remember while we are in Covid Tier 4 that we must all do as the sidespeople/wardens ask us to do while in church. Seating arrangements have been worked out to give as much protection as possible to everyone in the church. Also, **please do not mingle with other households** in the church or church grounds.

Many thanks to all those who supported the **various fund-raising events that were run at St Mary's just before Christmas.** The final result will be over £600 towards the shortfall on the Christmas Bazaar. Special thanks to Gemma Wiggins, Helen Brewer & Melanie Henley for all their hard work in achieving this wonderful financial result. And we had some fun!

Nascent House Christmas Hamper.

Susan and Viv would like to thank everyone who contributed to these hampers, which were delivered along with Christmas cards for each of the clients.

If you would like to sponsor an organist, do tell your Treasurer, Peter or Alison.

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

Please pray for the roll out of the Covid vaccination programme which will start tomorrow 4th Jan locally. Several members of the congregation have volunteered to assist in various ways.

Other volunteer opportunities at St M's. Do you have administrative or financial skills? Or would you like to learn? If so, please speak to Richard H, Janet or Peter. We could do with help with some of the following roles (or others if you are interested):
 - Church Treasurer
 - PCC secretary
 - Sunday rota production
 - Bulletin production (only 1 month in about 3)
 These roles are all very rewarding and fulfilling.....why not give it a try? Support and help will of course be available!

And of course, as we do still have all the usual running costs, both treasurers would be **delighted if anyone was able to add anything extra to their normal giving.** Use the donation button on the webpages or contact either: St M's Treasurer, Peter Bladon, on 01442 257108 or bladon2010@btinternet.com or St B's Treasurer, Alison Murray, on alisonj.murray@btinternet.com.

Further dates for your diary (all via Zoom):

10 Jan 3pm Community Outreach volunteers mtg
12 Jan 7pm Worship Planning Gp mtg
13 Jan 7pm Fabric Comm mtg
19 Jan 7pm PCC (St M's) mtg
30 Jan 10.15am Comms Team mtg (St M's)