

# WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

	This week Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Next week Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Diary this w/c 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov
8.00am	<b>Holy Communion at Holy Trinity – Leverstock Green</b>	<b>Holy Communion Service at all Saints Church – Kings Langley</b>	<b>MONDAY</b> 10.00-12 Working Party St M's 20.00 – Bellringing Practice 21.30 at St Mary's
10.00am	<b>Eucharist Service at St Mary's and Via Zoom</b>	<b>Eucharist Service at St Benedict's and Via Zoom</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b> 09.30 Buzzy Bees St Mary's 09.30- St B's open for private 15.30 prayer and Foodbank 19.30 Team Council meeting at Holy Trinity
Presiding	James McDonald	Jos Perris	
Tech	Harry Graham-Brown	Harry Graham-Brown	
Warden	Sylvia Low	Enitan Onabamiro	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 09.30- St B's open for 15.30 private prayer and Foodbank 17.00 Wardens+ Meeting
Sidesduty	Colin Rivett	Decide on Day	
Welcomer	Shirley Family	Decide on Day	<b>THURSDAY</b> 09.30- St M's open for 15.30 private prayer & Foodbank
Reading	Katharine Harper	Enitan Onabamiro	09.30 Eucharist at St Mary's 10.15 Thursday Study 20.00 Group in St Mary's refectory Virtual Home Group
Intercessions	Dan Shirley	Alison Murray	
Music	Ian Hope	N/A	
1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection Counters	Katharine Harper Trevor Wilson	N/A	
Refreshments	Melanie Henley & Viv Hagel	N/A	<b>FRIDAY</b> 10.00-12 Working Party St M's
3.00pm	N/A	Messy Church at St Mary's	<b>SATURDAY</b> 10.00 Saturday Café At St Mary's 10.00-12 Autumn Fair at St Mary's
5.00pm	Virtual Evening prayer via Zoom	N/A	

<p><b>St Mary's Collect for Growth</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></p>	<p><b>St Benedict's Collect for Growth</b> <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></p>
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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](mailto:stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com) by 12.00 noon each Wednesday

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#### Remembrance Sunday

Ian Hope, our organist today, is sponsored by Viv Hagel 'to give thanks for our family.'

**Sunday School** has returned to its **usual slot** during the service and is being held in the **Refectory when the service is at St Mary's.**

**Next Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November**, between **10am-12noon St Mary's will be holding an Autumn Fair.** Please if you can **take some leaflets** to give to those who live in your road, family, and friends, and also a **poster** to put up in your window to help **publicise** the event it would be much appreciated. Also, if you could **bake us some cakes or cookies** for the event, that also would be much appreciated. They do, however, need to be wrapped up. They can be delivered to St Mary's Church on Friday morning between 10am-12noon or alternatively bring them along on the day itself. **Please try to encourage family, friends, and neighbours to come along and support the morning, which this year will be our main fund-raising event of the year.**

As part of our **'Parish Profile'** which will be put together to send out to **attract our new vicar**, we would like as many people as possible to provide **3 positive words** to describe **'What St Mary's means to you?'** These will then be used in a creative way to tell the prospective candidate who we are as a congregation. Words can be **emailed to Sylvia:** [sylviaylow@gmail.com](mailto:sylviaylow@gmail.com) or on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> post it notes will be provided after the service to write on and stick to a sheet in the refectory.  
**Deadline Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November.**

**Rotary Club Hemel Hempstead Santa Sleigh:** We are again supporting this local fundraising event which supports many local charities including our churches. **Santa is travelling around the Belswains area on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November.** We will need **volunteers** to help **deliver leaflets** beforehand. If you can help with this, please **speak to Viv.** For more information or a donation can be made on RCHH website or on their Facebook page.

The **Sitting Room Singers'** interactive Carol Concert will be held in St Benedict's Church at **7.15 pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December.**

The **St Mary's 200 club** is up for renewal. This is valuable form of fundraising for St Mary's Church. If you would **like to join** or to have new numbers, please **speak to Tim Ward.** Would anyone who **already has St Mary's Church keys** be able to **join the rota for closing up the Church on Thursdays** after it has been open for the foodbank and for private prayer? It needs to be done between 3.30pm and dusk. Please **contact Janet** via email if you are interested: [janet@apsleyend.co.uk](mailto:janet@apsleyend.co.uk)

**Easing of Covid restrictions: You no longer need to book a place in church**, but please sign in for track and trace. **All pews are now available**, but we have 'leave a space' signs if you'd like to use them & please don't use the kneelers.

Now that things are getting back to normal - would you be **willing to join** or re-join the **weekly rotas for Saturday Café - 2 or 3 people each week/or brass cleaning/toilets cleaning/or flowers at the high altar?** If so, please **speak with Peter or Rosemary** who can explain what is needed. It would be lovely to get St Mary's back to its previous cleanliness. Thank you.

**Jean and Mike** are keen to have **items** for the **December Benefice Newsletter!** An update on the Foodbanks please. How do you feel meeting up with more friends and family? Are there any special events planned for Dec-Feb, and perhaps items with more serious content? If you have any items, please send them to: [mikeandjean23@btinternet.com](mailto:mikeandjean23@btinternet.com) by **21<sup>st</sup> November.**

**Foodbank: Donations of non-perishable goods** can be left between **09.30-15.30 on Thursdays at St Mary's** and on **Tuesdays & Wednesdays at St Benedict's.** The **foodbank at St Benedict's is now also open on Tuesdays.**

**Further dates for your diary:**  
**20 Nov 10.00am-12.00 noon** Autumn Fair at St Mary's  
**21 Nov 3.00pm** Messy Church at St Mary's  
**24 Nov 7.30pm** Joint PCC meeting at St Mary's  
**8 Dec 7.15pm** Carol Concert at St Benedict's

Marina McKenna 10 Nov 2021