

Parish of
Harpenden



St Mary's Monthly Missive November 2025



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Notices

Faith & Light Tea at St John's Church, Southdown – Sunday 3rd Nov 4.15pm

Faith and Light is an ecumenical worship group for members: adults with learning disabilities and their families, carers and friends. It is St Mary's turn to provide tea for the group. This is always great fun. We need volunteers to provide food, and/or also to help on the day. Please contact Carolyn McNicoll, 01582 763398 or email familymcnicoll@hotmail.com . Thank you.

DCC Meeting - Monday 3rd November 7.30pm

A Little Lunch – Monday 10th November

If you would like to get involved, we are always looking for drivers and helpers on the day. Please contact Sallyann Boschetti 07779 387557.

Simply Worship - Sunday 16th November 4.30pm

This service is particularly suitable for families and involves crafts as part of the worship. The theme this month is St Martin of Tours

Tuesday Afternoon Group – Tuesday November 25th at 2.30pm

This month Claire Prynn will be talking about her Travels in Japan. This group would welcome new volunteers to help set up, serve refreshments, clear up or drive. If you are able to help with any of this please contact Sally Goodson.

St. Mary's Christmas Choir

Our service of 9 lessons and carols this year will be at 6.00pm. Sunday 21st December
The Christmas Choir practices at church, 8.00pm on Wednesday evenings.

Dates this year: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th November, 3rd, 10th, 17th December. Would like to join us?
If you don't read music, don't worry, practice tracks will be available.

We learn 4 pieces to sing between the readings and congregational carols

If you enjoy singing this is for you!!

Speak to Jenny Goulding for more information: jennygouldingmt@gmail.com

Eco Church Tips for November

GREEN YOUR HOME. Combat climate change and reduce heating costs by identifying and sealing drafts around your home. Find the gaps that let the cold air in and warm air out (think keyholes, letterboxes, cracks around the edges or bottoms of windows and doors, loft hatches, floorboards, etc.) and fix these gaps using the correct materials and online tutorials.

Additionally, place foil or radiator panels to reflect heat into your room. Pray for those who might be experiencing the cold this winter.

Recycling

Don't forget to recycle your coffee pods and ink jet cartridges in the lobby.

We Are Online.....

St. Mary's has its own **Facebook** page (simply search for 'St. Mary's Kinsbourne Green'). We use this to publicise both upcoming and past events. To help us reach a wider audience we'd love you to 'like' and 'share' our page.

There is also a **Parish website**. If you haven't visited it, we would encourage you to go and have a look. There you can access the latest pew leaflet, articles, our monthly Missive and so much more.

Tuesday Morning Prayer – Tuesdays 9.00 – 9.25am

Do join Sally and Jenny & Nick Goulding to pray for church and world concerns.

Holy Communion - 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 10.00am

A short, quiet BCP service with coffee afterwards. **All welcome**

This Month Please Pray For....

- We pray for all people who find the dark days of winter hard to cope with, that they may remain strong in the faith of your light.
- We pray for the boys and staff of Jeel-al Amal boys' home and school in Bethany, in these tense and difficult times: For their safety and wellbeing.
- We pray for Tearfund's Rubbish Project: for global action to reduce the mountains of plastic pollution, and for the communities who live amidst piles of plastic waste.

Future Dates

Little Lunch – Monday 8th December

Simply Worship – Sunday 14th December: Carols round the firepit

Tuesday Afternoon Group – Tuesday 16th December

Nine Lessons & Carols – Sunday 21st December

Crib Services – Wednesday 24th December

Midnight Mass – Wednesday 24th December

Family Christmas Communion – Thursday 25th December

NB: Christingle service: Sunday 18th January at 4.30pm

Services in November 2025

Sunday 2nd November – All Saints Day

9.30am Family Worship – Revd Sally Goodson and Nina Featherstone

11.00am Said Holy Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

Tuesday 4th November 10.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Sally Goodson, followed by coffee

Sunday 9th November – 3rd Sunday before Advent (Remembrance Sunday**)**

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Nick Goulding

Sunday 16th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

4.30pm Simply Worship – Jenny Goulding and Revd Sally Goodson

Tuesday 18th November 10.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Sally Goodson, followed by coffee

Sunday 23rd November – **Christ the King**

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

Sunday 30th November – **Advent Sunday**

9.30am Family Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

Sunday 7th December – 2nd Sunday of Advent

9.30am Family Worship – Nina Featherstone and Revd Sally Goodson

11.00am Said Holy Communion – Revd Sally Goodson

Next Month

Please send submissions for December's Missive by 21st November to

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