



Newsletter


Sharing Hope

Sundays 13th and 20th November 2022

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!

Services



 13th November 2022 Remembrance Sunday	20th November 2022
8am Communion at St Mary's	8am Communion at Holy Trinity
10am All Age Communion Service*	10am Sung Holy Communion* (and children and youth groups)
11.30am Civic Remembrance Service	3.30pm Family visit to bell tower, explore the church and tea
6pm Evensong	

* This service will be live streamed

Help needed please! The Christmas Trees AND Crib are due to go up in St. Mary's church on **Saturday 26th November** from 9am. We need not only some muscle but, a little artistic flair as well. As in previous years, the bulk of the work will be in the first hour or two followed by a refreshment break of bacon butties, tea and coffee:

Carry the trees down from the vicarage; Erect the trees, inside and out;
Carry the crib parts up from the crypt; Erect the crib;
Refreshment break.

This is followed by smaller teams doing a couple more hours, decorating the interior tree and carrying out all the finishing touches to the crib. Any help would be much appreciated.



Notices

Are you new to church and would like to have the chance to think a bit more about what Christians believe? We'd love to welcome you to our **'Exploring Faith'** Course, which will run during November. It will be on zoom on 4 Tuesday evenings, starting **8th November**. More information from Zoe on zoe.eborn@horshamstmarys.org.uk

St Mary's Choir Cake Sale - St Cecilia's Day - To celebrate St Cecilia's day and raise funds for our next Choir trip, we are holding a cake sale after the 10am service on **Sunday 20th November** at the back of the church. Please support us!



The Mothers Union will be meeting in the Barn on **Wednesday 23rd November** (10am for 10.30am). There will be a talk from Mercy Ships and all are welcome.

Eco Church update – Many thanks to all who have already completed our St Mary's Lifestyle Questionnaire. It's still not too late.... just follow the link <https://forms.office.com/r/AG0dNjXGf0>. Your responses are helping us understand how we can best support each other to keep growing into an Eco Church community. Date for your diary: **Horsham Fairtrade Christmas Market, Saturday 26th November** in St John's Church Hall, Springfield Road, 10am-4pm. A chance to buy beautiful and delicious Fairtrade items, ideal for Christmas gifts. **Please pray for COP27:** for leaders and delegates from across the world, many with heavy responsibilities and expectations as they seek progress on global climate action; for wisdom, generosity and a willingness to cooperate between nations, for the leading and inspiration of the Holy Spirit in difficult debates.



Across the Parish

Turning Tides are opening a fixed permanent 50 place accommodation in Roffey for homeless residents. It is an amazing provision for Horsham residents and they are currently recruiting for volunteers to support the project. They are in need of people to help serve breakfast as well as volunteers to cook dinner in the evening. If you are interested in either role please contact Gabriella Pearson (Volunteer Co-ordinator) by email Gabriella.Pearson@turning-tides.org.uk



West Sussex Philharmonic Choir will be performing Brahms German Requiem on **Saturday 19th November** at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Horsham. Tickets (£15) can be purchased online from www.westsussexphilharmonicchoir.org or alternatively on the door.

Horsham Lottery & St Mary's CE Primary – After much deliberation and investigation, St Mary's CE Primary School have decided to join in with the Horsham District Community Lottery, using this as a source of funding for their 'Friends of St Mary's' account. This is the account that they have to draw upon to pay 10% of the costs of any capital works carried out at the school (such as the recent works around their pond area, upcoming door and lighting replacements, the playground improvement works and even the EYFS outdoor area). Lots of these things may tend to go unnoticed or unreported, but make the learning environment so much better. So, potential contributions to this account can really help to transform the school for the better. So, if you would like to support the school in this way, please do have a nose at their page on the Horsham Lottery website:

<https://www.horshamdistrictcommunitylottery.co.uk/support/the-friends-of-st-marys-school-horsham>

You are invited to the annual **Shining Stars Christmas Remembrance Service** on **Friday 9th December** at **7pm**. We welcome you to St Mary's church to remember precious babies gone too soon.



The Nativity Journey – a play for all the family from **14th-19th December**. The Wintershall Nativity Journey is an unforgettable experience, bringing the true meaning of Christmas to life for the whole family. Book tickets now on our website: www.wintershall.org.uk or call 01483 892167.

MEDIAEVAL BÆBES Weaving their story-telling magic and exalting the true spirit of Christmas with hauntingly joyous music, the **Mediaeval Bæbes** have announced they are performing at St Mary's Church in Horsham on **Tuesday 20th December** at **7.30pm** as part of their MydWynter Tour. Evoking thoughts of the of the winter festival and its pre-Christian origins, the Mediaeval Bæbes will be performing Christmas carol classics, traditional folksongs and showcasing arrangements from their new MydWynter Album. Tickets are now available from www.mediaevalbaebes.com at a cost of £26.50 (adult) and £11.50 (child). For further information, please contact: Heather Joy: 01403 790146, Mobile: 07968 805422, Email: heather@joystars.co.uk

Contact Information



Team Rector: Revd Canon Lisa Barnett

Tel: 01403 283787 Email: vicar@horshamstmarys.org.uk

Administrator: Laura Fletcher

Tel: 01403 253762 Email: office@horshamstmarys.org.uk

Churchwardens: Morag Davies, Peter Fruin, Cath Hatton

Tel: 01403 253762 Email: churchwardens@horshamstmarys.org.uk

If you would like to give to St Mary's please contact the Stewardship

Officer: Jean Mitchell, Tel: 01403 253762

Email: stewardship@horshamstmarys.org.uk

For any safeguarding issues please contact::

Alexandra Fletcher, Tel: 01403 253762

For newsletter enquiries please contact Sue Keegan

Email: newsletter@horshamstmarys.org.uk

In Your Prayers



We pray for those from our own church family who are unwell, and among them: Jane, Stef, Jenny, Kathleen, Lois, Christine and baby Tala. We remember before God those who have died, and pray for their families.

Ever-living God,

We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence;

May that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations,



Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.