

All Saints Turvey Newsletter

October 2016



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Notices for October:

Wednesday 12th October 2016

Licensing of the Revd Jacqueline Curtis and the Revd Peter Turnbull 7.30pm

Bishop Alan will license Jacqueline and Peter as Priest-in-Charge and Associate Priest for the Chellington Team Ministry. The service will be held in All Saints Turvey and followed by refreshments in the Village Hall. As the event invites all 8 churches in the new team ministry, the event is unfortunately invitation only.

We look forward to welcoming Jacqueline and Peter to All Saints. Revd. Peter Turnbull will preside at the church service on 16th October.



Sunday 2nd October - Harvest

Harvest Festival and Bring & Share Lunch

Our **Harvest Festival service is at 11.00am on Sunday 2nd October** and will be followed by a Bring & Share lunch. See the list on the Alms table for suggestions as to what to bring, but everyone is welcome to share, whether or not you're able to bring anything.

The church will be decorated for harvest on Saturday 1st October.

Please bring any gifts of flowers or produce to be used in the decoration to church on the Saturday am, and stay and help with the decoration if you can. Alternatively, leave them in the porch or at the back of church during the week before, or bring to the service.

If you would like to donate flowers or have them arranged in memory of a loved one, please contact Heather Whelbourn in the first instance 01234 881728.

Food proceeds from the Harvest Festival will be split between BeCHaR (Bedford Charity for the Homeless and Rootless) and the Bedford Food Bank - Turvey Lower School's chosen harvest charity: two worthy local causes – please bring produce with you to the service - every donation no matter how small makes a big difference!

The Bishop of St. Albans' Harvest Appeal 2016

This year the Bishop's Annual Harvest Appeal charity is 'Life-giving water' - supporting Water-Aid and bringing clean, safe water to rural communities in Madagascar.

For some in these rural situations, it is particularly dire – fewer than 1 in 5 families have access to safe water, and fewer than 1 in 10 have access to toilets. Without a safe water supply people often suffer diarrhoeal disease and, sadly, it is not unusual for a child to die.

A supply of clean, safe water will bring a transformed life, more crops can be grown for the family and some sold to bring an income, and children, relieved from the arduous daily task of collecting water, can attend school, gain a good education, and so discover new opportunities for their future. We hope you will join us in support of the charity. See the new Charity Notice Board for more details.

Friday 7th October - Lunch Club

October lunch Club will take place on **Friday 7th October** at 12.30pm in the Village Hall. All ages welcome.

November Lunch Club is on November 4th.

Saturday 8th October - Coffee Morning

The October Coffee morning will take place on **Saturday 8th October** at 10.30am until noon at 9, Carlton Road, Turvey, by kind invitation of Cindy Woods. All donations gratefully received especially of cakes!

September Coffee Morning held by Neil and Sharon Godfrey raised £131.50. A big thank you to Neil and Sharon and of course, Rowan and Martha for inviting us all and to everyone who helped. It was so enjoyable that nobody wanted to leave!

Cream Teas

We were blessed with a beautiful afternoon for our final Cream teas of the year and we were able to have tables outside in the churchyard. We were very busy all afternoon and managed to raise £316. This brings our total for the year to £903.

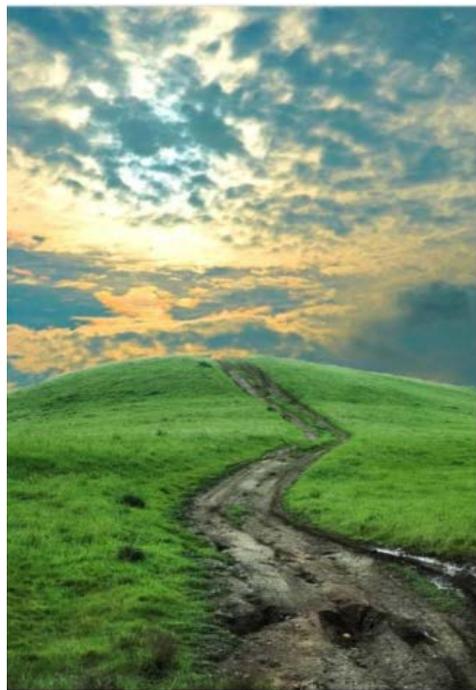
As always the team, Lindsey, Pam & Val and Debbie & Nigel organising the tables make it possible to raise such a sum for church funds, so a big thank you to them all.

Next year we would like to 'upgrade' our cups and saucers to bone china and be really 'posh'! If anyone has any pretty china lurking unused and gathering dust in their cupboards we would be delighted to receive them. Please leave them at the back of the church or contact me, Gill Betts on 720615 if you need someone to collect it.

In Memory and in our Prayers

Your prayers are asked for Isabella Multon. Isabella is the eighteen month old niece of our daughter in law, Lucy. During the last few months she has developed an illness, or allergy, that causes her to be sick after almost every meal. Despite tests and examinations nothing has been diagnosed and at the time of writing she is to be admitted to the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford for further tests. She was beginning to walk when the sickness started, now she is so weak she can hardly stand. Her parents, Richard and Liz, and all of us who know Isabella would be grateful for your prayers. Thank you. Revd Jo Spray

Living God's Love Prayer



The

Living God's Love

Prayer:

Living God,

Draw us deeper into your love;
Jesus our Lord,
send us to care and serve;
Holy Spirit,
make us heralds of good news.
Stir us, strengthen us,
teach and inspire us
to live your love
with generosity and joy,
imagination and courage;
for the sake of your world
and in the name of Jesus,

Amen.

Living God's Love

www.livinggodslive.org

In the St Albans diocese we are renewing and refreshing 'Living God's Love'. To celebrate and encourage Mission in our community we attended a special deanery event with the Bishop of St Albans. We looked at examples of Mission and giving thanks to God; Worshipping together and encouraging each other; and Renewing and inspiring fresh vision for growth.

As a church we will be renewing our Mission Action Plan for 2017. We would love to hear your views on our church....what would you like to see more of? What is important to you as a member of our church? How could we reach out to the community more, particularly the young? How could we be a more welcoming church? Please share your thoughts with the P.C.C. over coffee in church and let us know if you would like to be involved in any way – no matter how small – in coming up with our plan.

Thursday 27th - Saturday 29th October 2016 – Doomsday

It's official – Doomsday is returning to Turvey!

Not the actual apocalypse, but the final play in Tony Harrison's celebrated cycle of mystery plays, Doomsday.

Turvey Mysteries came together in Autumn 2005 to produce the plays, which were originally staged by the National Theatre and the band "Home Service".

The Turvey plays are community productions, with the characters played as ordinary people, by ordinary people. This reflects the original medieval mystery plays from York, Chester, Wakefield and Coventry, on which Tony Harrison based his own, unique version.

Having completed the first run through the cycle, we started again with The Nativity in January 2014. This was followed at Easter 2015 with The Passion.

We're reprising the final play in the cycle, Doomsday, in October this year. Tickets available now from Jane or Tim (07768 244826), or from Turvey Central Stores (in person only). £8 or £5 concessions.

For more information see www.turveymysteries.org.uk



This year we will again be supporting the Samaritan's Purse 'Operation Christmas Child' **Shoebbox campaign**. www.samaritans-purse.org.uk Leaflets will be available at the back of the church giving full details of suggested gift packs, labels etc. Shoe boxes must be returned by **6th Nov. See Charity board for details.**

⁶A small shoebox can have a big impact. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal. Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' name through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.'



Turvey Nativity Christmas Eve – Urgent Help!

It is with some regret that I have to tell you that it is unlikely we will have Sam the Donkey for our Nativity procession on Christmas Eve this year. 'Goodness it's only October!' you may say.

But the Nativity is now at risk...we desperately need new volunteers to help run the event.

We need a new format/ideas and people to take charge of different parts. I am willing to help, but, having been involved for 6 years previously, I feel it's time for a change and fresh ideas.

If no-one steps forward we may have to cancel the event which would be a real shame as it is usually attended by around 200 people!

Can you help?

Do you have any good ideas?

Can you lend some time / skills on Christmas Eve 3.30-5.30pm?

It's great fun and even the smallest amount of help would be welcomed and the more people we have the smaller commitment on each.

If you could speak to Heather Whelbourn on 01234 881728 or email info@allsaintsturvey.org.uk by 16th October latest, we can make a decision depending on support, on whether we can continue this lovely tradition. Many thanks - Heather Whelbourn

Are you a budding Artist? We would love some fun sketches of who's who on the P.C.C.... speak to Heather if you fancy having a go..!

November Newsletter

We welcome entries to the newsletter – please give / send to Heather by 21st October to: info@allsaints.org.uk

Services at All Saints October 2016

Date Colour	Calendar	Celebrant	Sunday	Service	Time
2 nd October Green	19 th Sunday after Trinity Harvest Festival	Rev. Canon Peter Mackenzie	1 st	Parish Eucharist	11 am
		TBA		Evensong	6 pm
9 th October Green	20 th Sunday after Trinity	TBA	2 nd	Parish Eucharist	11 am
16 th October Green	21 th Sunday after Trinity	Rev. Peter Turnbull	3 rd	Family Service (Eucharist)	11 am
		TBA		Evensong	6 pm
23 rd October Green	Last Sunday after Trinity (Bible Sunday)	TBA	4 th	Parish Eucharist	11 am
30 th October Gold	All Saints' Sunday (Joint with Stevington)	Rev. Jacqueline Curtis	5 th	Parish Eucharist	11 am

Tuesday 4th October – Turvey Lower School Harvest Festival

Sunday 13th November Remembrance Service - If you would like a name added to the list, to be read out at the evening Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, please add the name to the list at the back of the church or pass to a church warden. Please also include your name as the person putting the name on the list. The service will start at 6pm - Revd. Jo Spay presiding. The usual Remembrance service will take place at 10.45am at the War Memorial.

Coffee is served after all 11am services. Dates are correct at time of going to print. Please check church notice board and notices at services for updates, in particular where we don't yet have a Priest and services are TBA – apologies and thank you for your continued support.

News from the Diocese:

Job Vacancies

Academies Director and Chief Operating Officer

For the new Diocese of St Albans Multi-Academy Trust. These are currently live in the TES and on-line. Further details can be found at <http://www.stalbans.anglican.org/diocese/other-vacancies/>

From the Venerable Paul Hughes – Archdeacon of Bedford:

I am writing with details of a **pilgrimage to the Holy Land** from 16 – 25 May next year which I am leading with my wife, The Revd Canon Liz Hughes, Senior Chaplain at London Luton Airport.

As a diocese we have a huge collective experience of organising and running pilgrimages in collaboration with our Travel Agent McCabe and we sincerely believe that this programme is our best yet.

The pilgrimage will spend five nights in Jerusalem and four in Tiberias by The Sea of Galilee. We will visit many of the principal holy sites including the Mount of Olives, The Garden of Gethsemane, The Via Dolorosa, The Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Bethlehem, Nazareth, The Church of the Beatitudes and Tabgha (The Church of the Loaves and Fishes). The Friday in Jerusalem allows the choice of a free day in the Old City or a full day tour by coach to Masada, Qumran and the Dead Sea. A boat cruise on the Sea of Galilee is also included.

The full brochure and booking form can be viewed/downloaded at the link: <http://www.stalbanspilgrimages.org.uk/fpilgrimages.html>

A professional English-speaking guide will be present throughout the pilgrimage and the hotels have been carefully selected and are well known to us. Travel is by luxury air-conditioned coach.

Those travelling alone and / or for the first time are very welcome, and a supportive friendly and safe setting is assured. Parish groups are encouraged! The pilgrimage is fully ecumenical and we warmly welcome friends from all Christian denominations.

Anyone interested (without obligation) is warmly invited to an informal meeting at St Margaret's Church Parish Centre Streatley on Saturday 8 October @10.30 am.

It would be very helpful in estimating numbers if anyone hoping to attend the above event could please email: pilgrimage@stalbans.anglican.org
Full directions and a map will be sent by return.

You may also be interested in a further Diocesan pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi from 11 to 18 October next year led by Canon Dennis Stamps, Rector of Harpenden, previously Director of Ministry for the Diocese of St Albans. Details are again available on the Pilgrimages website as above.