

ST MARY'S OXTED and ST PETER'S TANDRIDGE

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Sunday 6th November

Third Sunday before Advent – 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5,13-17 and Luke 20.27-38

Sunday Services			
St Mary's		St Peter's	
		8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
9.30am	Parish Communion (Junior Church in the OCH)	11.00am	All Age Worship
2.30pm	Memorial Service (followed by tea in the OCH)		
4.30pm	Café Service	6.30pm	Evensong

A very warm welcome to our services today. Please do speak to a welcomer or member of clergy if it is your first time with us and you would like more information.

Memorial Service at St Mary's – Sunday 6th November 2.30pm. All welcome. Help would be appreciated with serving tea in the OCH after this service. Provision of sandwiches and/or cakes would also be appreciated. Valerie Adamson 01883 714859.

2023...and beyond – All are welcome to join us to discuss the vision and plans for each of our churches for 2023, and also for future years. Please do come if you can:

St Mary's – Saturday 5th November 9.45am in the OCH (new space).

St Peter's – Saturday 12th November 9.45am in St Peter's church.

Sales of gifts, handmade cards and puzzles continue in OCH after the 9.30am service. Christmas cards and wrapping paper will also be on sale soon, both in OCH and also at Meeting Place on a Friday - all proceeds to St Mary's church funds.

St Mary's Christmas Tree - Christmas is fast approaching so we're getting the church Christmas tree ordered. As in previous years we're doing that via George Trapp who donates the profits from his Christmas tree sales to the local charity Clockwork. The tree will cost us £84.50 and we wondered whether members of the congregation would like to sponsor a branch for £5 and decorate it? Or sponsor it and we can decorate it on your behalf. We will also put a tag with your name on your branch. If you'd like to do that please contact Katharine Nockles on; flowers.stmarysoxted@gmail.com or via the Parish Office. Payment can be made via bank transfer with the reference XMAS TREE to 20-76-55 10688967 (PCC OF OXTED ST MARYS CHURCH NUMBER TWO ACCOUNT), or if easier handed into the Parish Office or in an envelope marked Xmas Tree on the offertory plate.

PLEASE NOTE – Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday so Parish Communion at St Mary’s will begin at 11am with an Act of Remembrance. We will be welcoming the British Legion and members of other Oxted organisations to join us.

Choral Evensong 20 November at St Mary’s Oxted - This will be a special Oxted Team Choir event. If you would like to join the music please contact charlotte.nicholls2@googlemail.com or cheramsden@gmail.com

Alpha Course – our Alpha course continues this week - Tuesdays 7.30-9.30pm at 29 Chichele Road. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to join us.

Southwark Diocesan Conference Talks 2022 – In September, Anna, James and Lotwina attended this conference at Rotherhithe. Here is a link to some of the main addresses (the talk by Mark Russell from The Children’s Society is inspirational) <https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/events/diocesan-conference-2022/>

Dates for the diary:

- Weds 16th Nov 7.45pm** PCC at St Mary’s (precise venue TBC)
- Sun 20th Nov 2.00pm** Stir-Up Sunday Christmas Pudding (OCH_space)
- Sun 27th Nov 6.30pm** Advent Carol Service at St Peter’s

Zoom Prayer Times - Tuesday and Thursday at 9am - all are welcome to join us.

Zoom details: Meeting ID: 871 2209 6723 Passcode: 958471 or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87122096723?pwd=bXU4OFRidEhjT2dCRm9mdFB0a29Vdz09>

Things to pray for and about:

- For the people and land of Ukraine and the refugees now settled in Tandridge
- For all currently struggling with hardship and financial worries
- For parts of the world suffering the results of extreme weather conditions

Giving to our churches – A very big thank you to all those who regularly give to our churches, to support our life together. As we heard at our annual meetings, both our churches are struggling to meet weekly costs. If you do not already do so, please consider giving regularly. You can do this by Standing Order which is hopefully more convenient for you, and good for the environment! It may be that you currently give by regular envelope, but might consider changing to a Standing Order. Please also fill out a gift aid declaration if you can, as the church can claim an extra 25% on any donations.

<https://stmarysoxted.uk/Groups/349812/Giving.aspx>

<https://stpeterstandridge.uk/Groups/350057/Giving.aspx>

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