

ST MARY'S OXTED and ST PETER'S TANDRIDGE

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Sunday 27th November

Advent Sunday – Romans 13.11-14 and Matthew 24.36-44

Sunday Services			
St Mary's		St Peter's	
8.00am	Holy Communion (said)		
9.30am	All Age Worship (NO Junior Church this week)	11.00am	Family Communion
4.30pm	Café Service	6.30pm	Team Advent Carol Service

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.

Team Advent Carol Service – this Sunday 27th November 6.30pm at St Peter's, Tandrige. Come along and join in as we all celebrate the start of Advent together.

St Mary's Trivia Quiz – this Saturday 26th November 7.15pm with a fish & chip supper and raffle. Contact Valerie Adamson if you need details.

Write a card to a Prisoner of Conscience – Sat 26 Nov 10am-1pm Come along to OCH and bring hope to those suffering for their beliefs. Fair Trade goods will also be on sale.

The Accessibility Project – St John's, Hurst Green are supporting this initiative to fundraise for and create 100 Gift Bags (a little like the shoebox appeal) for local individuals and families who maybe don't find Christmas such a joyful time. The hope is to also put together 50 bags for locally housed Ukrainians. Donations can currently be taken to the entrance of St John's (you can pick up a flier at back of church for more details on how and what to donate) or you can donate an amount online to go towards this work. Go to:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/accessiblechristmas?utm_term=4amXWpjVR

St Mary's Christmas Tree – A big thank you to all who have already donated to our tree for this year. If you'd like more information please contact Katharine Nockles at flowers.stmarysoxted@gmail.com or the Parish Office. Payment can be made via bank transfer with the reference XMAS TREE to 20-76-55 10688967 (PCC OF OXTED ST MARY'S CHURCH NUMBER TWO ACCOUNT) or placed in an envelope marked Xmas Tree on the offertory plate.

Ann Griffiths has put out a special plea for more people to join the St Mary's coffee rota (after Parish Communion). If you could help, please speak to Ann or the office.

Fresh supplies of the St Mary's Platinum Jubilee book have now arrived and are available via Valerie Adamson. They have a lovely set of pictures as well as some descriptive text and are good value at £10.00 each

Churches Together in Oxted are supporting Children's Hospital Pyjamas this Christmas, please visit <https://www.childrenshospitalpyjamas.co.uk/> to find out more, get involved or donate.

Sales of gifts, handmade cards and puzzles continue in OCH after the 9.30am service. Christmas cards are also now on sale both in OCH and at Meeting Place. Wrapping paper will be available from next week.

Volunteering – if you'd like to volunteer to be part of one of our activities, services or projects in either church, please speak to James or contact the Parish Office.

Oxted Team Morning Prayer - Tuesday at St John's & **Thursday** at St Mary's – both at 9am – 15 mins of reflective prayer. Or you can join on remotely, all are welcome. Zoom details: Meeting ID: 871 2209 6723 Passcode: 958471 or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87122096723?pwd=bXU4OFRidEhjT2dCRm9mdFB0a29Vdz09>

Baptisms:

Saturday 26th Nov 11.30am Jessica Sandra Faulkner St Mary's

Funerals:

Wednesday 30th Nov 12.30pm Margaret Chapman RIP St Mary's and OBG

Dates for the diary:

Thursday 1st Dec 6.00pm Oxted Adventure starts
Friday 2nd Dec 10-11am Hear Here at Meeting Place

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

Giving to our churches – A very big thank you to all those who regularly give to our churches, to support our life together. If you do not already do so, please consider giving regularly. You can do this by Standing Order, or 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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If you have anything to be included in the Weekly Update please send to Alison in the Parish Office at oxtedcomms@gmail.com by Wednesday 11am