

Vacancies at St Mary's:

We have vacancies for the following:

3 PCC members

Parish Magazine Editor, subscriptions co-ordinator and distribution co-ordinator

Providing and assisting with flowers

Setting up the altar before services of Holy Communion

Sidespeople

Sunday refreshments

Please speak with the Vicar or Churchwardens for details.

Parish Magazines

We hope to restart St Peter's magazine from December.

St Mary's magazine has several vacancies that need to be filled before the magazine can be restarted (see above).

**The United Benefice of
St Mary, Whitegate
&
St Peter, Little Budworth**

NOVEMBER 2021



**A Season of Remembrance
&
the Kingdom Season**

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Pastoral Visiting

To enable us to work in a safer way and use travel distance more economically the clergy will resume pastoral visiting by prior arrangement. If you would like a member of the clergy to visit please contact the Vicar.

Minnows

Our Minnows meets in the Mews on Thursdays 1.00-3.00pm.

St Peter's events

Coffee and chat in church every 1st & 3rd Wednesday morning 10.30 – 12.00. All welcome.

Ladies Lunch at the Red Lion every 2nd Wednesday.

First Thursday Café

St Mary's is starting an open time of welcome and hospitality in the Mews on the first Thursday of each month. This will be from 10.30am to 12.00pm.

The current dates are 4th November, 2nd December and 3rd February. (Not January due to Christmas and the New Year.) All are welcome so please invite people who might value just getting out for a cuppa and a chat.

Churchyard Working Parties

We will be holding two working parties to clear the undergrowth around the edges of St Mary's Churchyard. Please bring gloves and secateurs or loppers. There will be a BBQ lunch. 10.00am on 27th and 30th October.

To assist with catering we will need to know numbers attending so please let Andrew Ball know.

- 14 9.30am Remembrance Service at St Mary's
11.00am Act of Remembrance at Little Budworth War Memorial
6.30pm All Souls Service at St Mary's
- 16 10.00am Whitegate School in St Mary's
- 17 9.00am Men's breakfast at Tarporley Garden Centre
10.30am Coffee & Chat at St Peter's
7.00pm Movies in the Mews
- 20 12.30pm Baptism of Florence Samways at St Peter's
- 21 Christ the King
9.30am Morning Prayer at St Mary's
11.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's
- 27 1.00pm Open Tower at St Peter's
- 28 Advent Sunday
9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's
11.00am Morning Prayer at St Peter's
11.30am Baptism of Albert Ward at St Mary's

NOTICES

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

We will be offering two services to remember the faithful departed. Those who for whom we have conducted funeral services for during 2019, 2020 and 2021 will be remembered by name in these services.

The services will take place on Sunday 7th November, 6.30pm, at St Peter's, Little Budworth, and, Sunday 14th November, 6.30pm, at St Mary's, Whitegate.

If there are names you would like remembered at either of these services please either email to the Vicar at paulcodawson@outlook.com or send them in writing to the Vicarage.

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From the Vicar

November begins with the Season of Remembrance, leads us into the Kingdom Season and brings us to Advent.

On 7th November our family services will be on the theme of a Season of Remembrance. It is the time we celebrate the lives of the saints and also mark the lives of the faithful departed. All Saints and All Souls come close together.

On 7th and 14th November we shall have two evening services at 6.30pm to remember those we love but who now walk upon a farther shore and in a greater company. Details are in the diary. We shall remember all those for whom we have conducted funerals from late 2019 until October 2021. This is because we were unable to hold these services in 2020. If you have names you would like remembered please see the Sunday sheet and give the details to the Vicar in good time.

Remembrance Sunday is 14th November. We shall be doing things slightly differently this year learning from how we marked Remembrance Sunday in 2020 and the very positive comments we received following those services.

There will be a shortened service of Holy Communion at St Mary's at 9.30am followed by the Act of Remembrance at the Memorial. At Little Budworth we will have the Act of Remembrance at the Memorial at 11.00am. The timings of the services are designed to allow our bugler to be at both services. I am very grateful to Rob Archer for being willing to play at both Acts of Remembrance.

The days leading us towards Advent are marked as the Kingdom Season, a time when we remember that we are here to build the Kingdom of God, on earth as it is in heaven. The Kingdom happens when we live in obedience to God's will. It is here and now, it is also waiting to be perfected in God's own time. Our task is to be

the people who make the Kingdom come close.

Sometimes the Church gets carried away with itself focussing on our own interests and agendas. We forget that the Church is a temporary thing, it exists only to work towards the Kingdom. In heaven there shall be no bishops, archdeacons, or vicars. The gift of Christ's priesthood is made perfect in all his people. The current arrangements are only a foretaste, they are not, and were never meant to be, permanent.

A Season of Remembrance reminds us that the things of this world are fleeting. We live in expectation of that which is yet to be, it is in us and through us that God brings that 'yet to be' into being.

Lord, open our eyes to your presence.

Grant us a vision to see what we can achieve:

as your love touches us may we reach out to others.

Lord, stretch our capabilities, extend our vision and increase our sense of purpose, that we may grow in our service of you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

NOVEMBER DIARY

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| 1 | 7.30pm | St Peter's PCC meeting |
| 3 | 10.30am | Ministry Team Meeting |
| | 10.30am | Coffee & Chat at St Peter's |
| 4 | 10.30am | Café in the Mews |
| 7 | Third Sunday Before Advent | |
| | 9.30am | Family Service at St Mary's |
| | 11.00am | Family Service at St Peter's |
| | 6.30pm | All Souls service at St Peter's |
| 9 | 7.30pm | St Mary's PCC Meeting |
| 13 | 10.30am | Baptism Preparation session 3 |