

ST MARY'S, GREAT CHART & ST FRANCIS, SOUTH ASHFORD



"A living, loving church without walls" Notices for the week commencing Sunday 12th November, Remembrance Sunday & the 3rd Sunday before Advent



We welcome everyone to our Service of Remembrance this morning. Everything that you need for this service will be displayed on the screen, with some paper copies available for those seated in the North and South aisles. Please do take this notice sheet home to refer to forthcoming events.



Points for your prayers:

We pray for all those who have given their lives for the service of this country, and for those who mourn the loss of family and friends who have died or been injured in conflicts in many parts of our world.

We pray for our world, including all those caught up in the conflict in Israel and Gaza. We pray for those who are injured, those who are mourning and those who are fearful for their safety. We also pray for peace in Ukraine and for those affected

by the fighting there, and we pray for efforts towards a just peace in both conflicts.

We pray for all in our parish who are unwell- we ask that you bring healing and relief to those who are suffering, and your love and compassion to all those involved in their care.

Please remember both William and Michelle in your prayers as they prepare for their Confirmation on November 18th.



The Midweek Communion at St Francis is generally on the first and third Tuesday of each month, so the next one will be on Tuesday 21st November at 12.00noon.

A Christingle Service will be taking place at St Francis on Tuesday 12th Dec at 5.15pm - more details in the next newsheet.





Welcome to Frankie's- part of the St

Francis' Hub! - this now takes place each Wednesday between 2.00pm and 4.00pm, providing both hot and cold drinks as well as cake

and biscuits - a place to meet with others where everyone is welcome. Why not come along - and bring a friend, too?!



The Bereavement Support Group meets every third Monday of the month and the next meeting will be on Monday 20th November at 2.00pm at St Francis. Do come along and meet with other people over a cup of tea

or coffee. Please see Leigh or Sally if you want to find out more.



We're pleased to announce that the recent Village Quiz has raised the magnificent sum of £1050 for the Janus Project, the fund for the planned restoration of our church building, the first stage of which is the re-laying of the path from the road

up to the South Door.

A huge thank you to everyone who came to support this event, and to those that organised the evening.

And coming up...

A Coffee Morning will be taking place at Gill and Michael's, "Westgables," Singleton Road on Saturday 18th November, in aid of Church Funds.





The Christmas Evening at Godinton House with carol singing will be taking place on Tuesday 12th December, from 7.00pm to 9.15pm, with carols, mulled wine and Christmas nibbles. This event is being held in aid of the Janus Fund. There will also be

a Christmas raffle in aid of church funds. Tickets are now available from Lin Briscall, priced £15 and available after church on Sunday morning, or on 07963 173893. Please support us and come along for a lovely festive evening in the unique setting of Godinton House.



If you have a box for the Children's Society, Anne Shaw will be collecting all the boxes in a little earlier than usual. She would like all boxes returned to church by the first Sunday in December (Advent Sunday).

There are some spare boxes available if you would like one- a really good place to put all that change! If the box proves to be too heavy, Anne is happy to receive a cheque (made out to the Children's Society, please). Seriously, it doesn't matter if the box isn't full up, as when the contents of the individual boxes are combined it often comes to around £200-£300 in total. Many thanks to all who support the work of this very worthwhile charity.

Notes from the organist

The choir have begun rehearsing for the Candlelit Carol Service which will be taking place on Sunday 10th December at 6.00pm. We are pleased to include some singers from elsewhere in the parish and we look forward to providing you all with traditional carols for you to join in with and a joyous variety of music to listen to, too!

Forthcoming special church services here in Great Chart:

- Service of Light, 3rd December at 2.00pm
- Informal Worship, 10th December at 10.00am
- Candlelit Carol Service, 10th December at 6.00pm



The closing date for copy for the next noticesheet is Thursday 16th November at noon. N.B. *This will cover the succeeding*

fortnight.

Please email tony.shaw53@hotmail.co.uk, or telephone 01233 634355 to leave a message for anything that you would like included - thank you.