



A warm welcome to
St. Mary's Uttoxeter & The Heath Mission Church
Part of the Uttoxeter Area of Parishes

NOTICE SHEET for the week commencing December 22nd 2019.

Whether you worship here often or not, we hope you find God's love throughout your time with us.

www.uttoxetercofe.org for all our weekly events and more.

IT'S THE SEASON TO BE.....JOLLY / BUSY / PEACEFUL / GENEROUS / AMAZED / SPARKLY!

A reminder of what's on –

- Churches Together LIVE NATIVITY on Sunday December 22nd at 2.30pm – walk thro the 1st Christmas with a donkey, a baby and a stable at the pub. Start at the Town Hall, and finish at The Old Star Inn.
- Christmas Eve – Crib Service at 4pm for all the family, including actions and a gift for all the children!
Christmas Communion at 11.15pm to celebrate the Christ Child and all he does for us with bread and wine.
- Christmas Day – Family Communion Service at 10am for all of us to celebrate Jesus' birth together
- Traditional Christmas Lunch on December 25th for people within our church family (and partners). Sit down at 12.30pm, numbers still increasing, and places still available. Ask Andy or Lesley about it.

Remember to save your used stamps for MS Society research, please – the tub is on the "leaflets" table by the main door! Tear them off before you throw the envelope away!

ECO-CHURCH –Our church family Christmas Card is on the noticeboard at the back of church, for everyone to sign, with love to everyone. Donations for our toilet-twinning fund.

Happy to have the notices by email? – send an email to either office email below & we will include you.

"An Appeal For Help - Via the Notices from St Mary's 1st School.

In this cold weather, can you imagine living outside in a tent? Many families across Europe who have fled unsafe countries are currently living in tents in France, Greece and all across Europe. They are desperately in need, especially the children and babies, of any unwanted clothes, blankets, tents, sleeping bags, hats, scarves, gloves and shoes (also any toiletries, pushchairs, Moses' baskets etc). If you have anything your children have outgrown or is just not needed, please drop off in the church / office and Lesley (Foundation Governor) will ensure it reaches the right person. Any donations are very gratefully received and will be directly sent to the charity for those in need. Thank you."

ENCOURAGE AND PRAY FOR.....

- ✠ These people on the electoral roll – Mo, Clive, Audrey, Mike, Rachel, Irene, Ron, Margaret, Wendy, Amy, Andy, Lesley, Rebecca, David, Luke, Cynthia, Chris, Sue, Andrea, Alice, Luke, Nikki, Robert and Charles.
- ✠ Your neighbours over the road, up and down the road you live on – that they will be making happy memories with their families and friends during Christmas, whatever life is bringing them.
- ✠ Those in our wide church family who need God's love and healing – especially anyone living with dementia, and other long-term life-limiting conditions, their families and carers.
- ✠ For everyone who is feeling the loss of a special person during Christmas, including the families & friends of Margaret Ufton, Angela White, Rose Beard, Mike Hayes, Arthur Pattinson and Frances Mellor.
- ✠ St Mary and All Saints, Checkley ask us to pray for all those involved in the services on Christmas Eve, both the Crib Service with its Nativity Play and the Midnight Service; that people will give time to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas and be enriched by the opportunities to worship. May we all be strengthened and empowered to share the gospel message and live lives of faith.

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