



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 November 24th 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.

NEWS FLASH! - Diane B had a dreadful fall just before the panto dress rehearsal and has broken her leg. She had surgery on Wednesday and is currently negotiating her "release" with the ward! Thank you to everyone who has stepped in to help cover all that Diane had planned, and is supporting Chris, Hayley and Nicky and the family. Please pray for healing, for energy and for time to breathe, for them all.

WHAT'S ON.....

The Big Tree is already up (there are some over-busy elves around and the time was now or never!) – toys can be popped underneath any time ready for the Carol Service on the 15th.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR next Saturday November 30th from 10am in church; Thank you for donations so far, and to all who have pushed fliers thro' neighbours' letter boxes (great job, small people!), panto programmes etc! Any questions – come and ask Lesley in the office, who's looking forward to a big fund-raiser once again!

- Setting up – Friday 29th from 9.30am to 11am, or Saturday from 9am. New volunteers needed on Friday morning to set up the tables please, as the previous team retire from this role with our thanks.
- Donations accepted from Wednesday 27th in the office, or at the back of church – gifts, plants, home-baking, preserves, bottles, raffle prizes.....
- Extra help on some stalls may be needed too, please.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY STAMPS available at local shops soon, for cards to be delivered to Uttoxeter, Doveridge +

THE TOY SERVICE - will be part of the Carol Service with the Sunday School Nativity Sunday Dec 15th at 4pm.

What will you donate to those children who may not otherwise get a present on the 25th at all?

THE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL December 16th to 24th 10AM TO 4PM – 3 time slots each day for help with welcoming and/or serving hot drinks. PLEASE be planning which slots YOU can help at – list up next week!

The CofE Café CHRISTMAS LUNCH will be on Friday December 20th at 12.30pm. Tickets £9 from the café.

LIVE NATIVITY – walk thro the 1st Christmas with a donkey, a baby and a stable at the pub. Dec 22nd at 2.30pm

Traditional Christmas Lunch on December 25th for church members (alone/couples) £5 each via Andy & Lesley. 5 places already reserved. Drop us a note, ring me or pop in and see me if you'd like to join us!

TEARFUND Big Quiz - thank you to all who came, we raised £120 to help end poverty, but were part of a huge quiz involving **25,851 people at 552 venues in the UK!** Wow! (...Nov 14th 2020 - since you ask!)

ECO-CHURCH - we're working hard to get our Silver Award. We'll be having a **church family Christmas Card** this year, for everyone, to everyone. Think of the paper we'll be saving! Donations for our toilet-twinning.

This weekly sheet will become a monthly newsletter in 2020 - maybe with more news, and information....

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.
- ✠ **Christ Church at Upper Tean**, who ask that we "pray for the Rev. Joe and his family as he has started a period of Extended Study Leave (October- December). As a result we pray for the Church Family at Christ Church and in particular for the Church Wardens, the PCC and the Projects Committee as they organise Remembrance Services and Christmas Events. Pray for a renewal of Christian spirit in our village in the forthcoming period of Advent, and a joyous Festive season."

✠ **The grieving families & friends** of Roy Meyrick, Catherine Smith, Cynthia Sidwell & Margaret Ufton. Newsletter (updates by Wed. please) - Lesley White. **Office.uttoxetercofe@gmail.com** - Dianne Heath.

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