

✦WARWICK TEAM MINISTRY✦



Weekly Newsletter

WELCOME TO OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER. The Westminster government has removed all legal COVID restrictions previously in place, but nevertheless we continue to proceed cautiously with the reopening of St Mary's. We have restarted our regular services, including our full choral services, whilst continuing to live-stream our 10.30am Sunday service on Facebook and YouTube.



We are following the guidance of the Church of England and other organisations, therefore we are recommending the continued use of masks and hand sanitiser in our building. We have zones on the south and north side of church which are kept for those who also wish to maintain social distancing.

The current order of service, newsletter, prayer diary and parish magazine can still be viewed and downloaded from our website. Holy Communion is offered in two kinds (bread and wine) but it is perfectly acceptable to continue to receive in one kind only.



Further information about St Mary's, our life and ministry can be found on: our **website** www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

Twitter @StMarysWarwick and @ChoirsofWarwick

Facebook @StMarysWarwick and St Mary's Warwick Community

YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CollegiateChurchofStMaryWarwick>

SERVICES

28th November 2021
Advent Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP Said)
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Celebrant & Preacher: Vaughan Roberts

The service begins in the Book of Common Prayer page 87

10.30am	Choral Eucharist (Common Worship) Boys', Girls' and Men's Voices also on Facebook & YouTube
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Reading: Jeremiah 33: 14-16 - Kirsteen Robson

Intercessor: Ian Barnicoat

Organ Voluntary: *Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland (BWV 599)* J.S. Bach

5.30pm	Advent Carol Service – “Advent Wilderness” Boys', Girls' and Men's Voices
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See special Order of Service

Director of Music: Oliver Hancock
Assistant Director of Music: Mark Swinton
Organ Scholar: Matthew Howell



NOTICES

IN HOPE

This Sunday is Advent Sunday as our attention turns towards Christmas and our preparation for this holy season.

As well as our regular morning services of Holy Communion we also have our Candlelit Advent Carol Service at 5.30pm. Our 10.30am Choral Eucharist will be livestreamed as usual and our Advent Carols will

be recorded to be uploaded in the coming days. Thank you to all who have contributed to our worship today.



HOPE

IN STRENGTH

Last Sunday was World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims. More local details about this annual event on the third Sunday in November can be found here: <https://warksroadsafety.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/WRSP-Remembers-Toolkit.pdf>

And nationally here: <https://worlddayofremembrance.org/>

Plans are in hand for an in-person commemoration in St Mary's for 2022.

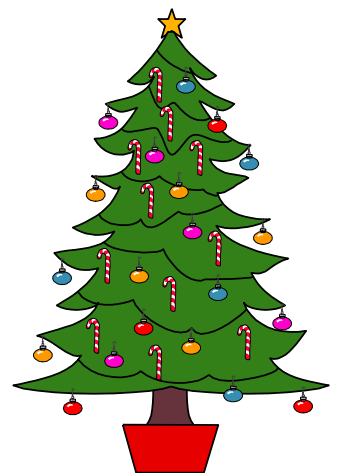
ST MARY'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2021 ...

Continues this week and runs until Sunday 5th

December. Church will be open every day (10am-4pm), except for Services and it is going to look amazing!

Please come along and see for yourself - if you come on Friday or Saturday you can also enjoy a cuppa and cake!

Entry is only £2 per adult and children free, with all proceeds going to St Mary's. Many thanks to our wonderful team of volunteers who have enabled this to happen



HOT NEWS!

For the duration of the Christmas Tree Festival the St Mary's TOWER will be OPEN every day until Friday 3rd December (last entry 3pm)! Visitors can enjoy spectacular views across Warwick and beyond. Usual charges apply.

CELEBRATING & COMPANY (1)

Many thanks as well to The Friends of St Mary's for running the ever-popular mince pie and mulled wine café in church during Victorian Evening. All proceeds have gone directly to the church.

CELEBRATING & COMPANY (2)

The very popular Pop-Up Café will once again be operating during the St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival: 10.00am-4.00pm Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th December. If anyone is able to contribute by baking something for the café (cakes, tray bakes, biscuits, mince pies, muffins) or could spare a few hours to help serving refreshments please could you let me know? It will be very much appreciated. Contact Val King on 07880 728909 or 01926 497349 or email aandvking@gmail.com.

WANT TO BUY A CHRISTMAS TREE?

Sponsors have the first chance to buy and keep their Christmas Tree, but it is likely that a fair few will be available afterwards. If you would like to purchase one, for the knockdown price of £25, then email us on santa@stmaryschristmas.org.uk and we will add your name to the list. Trees will be around 5ft tall and will come WITHOUT a stand. They will need to be collected on Tuesday 7th December. First come, first served!

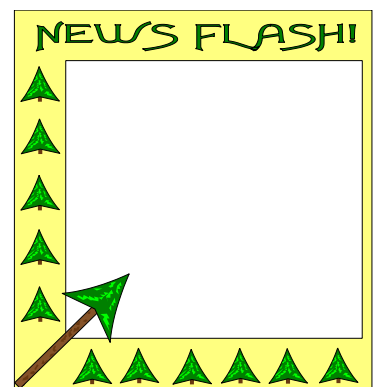


SERVING ST MARY'S:

We need to enlist more volunteers for St Mary's serving team. A number of folk have needed to stand down for very understandable reasons, so if you're feeling that God might be calling you to this ministry please have a word with Grahame Edmonds, Vicky Bartholomew or the Vicar.

MANY THANKS

Chris Mew has decided to step down as the Secretary to our Safeguarding Committee. We are enormously grateful for the tireless work he has done in this respect and wish him well as he recovers from the recent dislocation of his shoulder. If you would like to find out more about what this role entails please speak to our Safeguarding Officer Jayne McHale or the Vicar.



HAPPY MEMORIES OF LADY JEAN LIGGINS CBE:

Celebration of a life well lived – Golf, Bowls, Bridge, Cricket (not necessarily in that order!!) and, of course, Politics. You are invited to a Memorial Dinner on Friday 14th January 2022, to remember Jean Liggins.

Venue : Alderson House, High Street, Warwick. 7pm for 7:45pm

Fizz Reception and three course meal. Dress Code: Black Tie. Tickets £40pp

For more details, please email Chris Cross chrisbcross@ntlworld.com

no later than 30th November. Jean loved a Raffle, and all proceeds will go to Macmillan Cancer Support.

A Thanksgiving Service for the life of Lady Jean Liggins OBE, CBE

10th December 1928 - 27th December 2020

Friday 10th December

2.30pm

The Collegiate Church of St Mary, Warwick

All welcome

CALLING ALL SINGERS

There are various opportunities for singing at St Mary's:

- Alto (male or female) to join the Robed Choir. Attendance at both Sunday services plus a Friday evening rehearsal, 7.00-8.20pm, with Friday Evensong if possible. This is an auditioned place. Please contact Oliver Hancock (dofm@stmaryswarwick.org.uk) for more details.

- If you'd like to do some liturgical singing but can't commit every week, consider St Mary's Scholars. A number of Sundays across the year plus services in Holy Week (the week before Easter), with Tuesday evening rehearsals in the weeks leading to a service. All voice parts welcome, especially tenors! Please email Mark Swinton for more details and to arrange an audition: adofm@stmaryswarwick.org.uk.

- If you're looking for a more relaxed or non-liturgical singing environment, join Collegium: non-auditioned concert choir, with three concerts each year and Monday evening rehearsals. This year's programme will include: Mozart motets and Mendelssohn Lobgesang, Rossini Stabat Mater and Pergolesi Magnificat, Schubert Mass in G and Bach Canata 147. Contact Oliver for more details, or come along to a Monday rehearsal: 7.30pm at St Mary's. All voice parts welcome, especially tenors.

RAISE FUNDS AS YOU SHOP ONLINE:

If you shop at Amazon, you can now contribute to either church or choir funds at no extra cost to yourself. Go to <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/> and search for "St Mary Warwick" as your chosen charity. You will be able to select the Parochial Church Council of the church or the Friends of St Mary's Choir to receive a donation each time you buy.



100% ticket sales go to Thrive

COMEDY NIGHT

Hosted by Holy Trinity Church
Proceeds to local Christian charity **thrive**

Thu 2nd December
Holy Trinity Church
Beauchamp Avenue,
CV32 5RG at 8pm

ANDY KIND

Tickets £12/£6 concessions
on eventbrite or on the doors

Licensed bar available



JOB VACANCY

Community Outreach and Link Worker, St Michael's Church & Budbrooke Medical Centre, 18 month fixed term contract, 22.5 hours pw flexible. £12,353- £15,187. St Michael's has had a growing relationship with Budbrooke Medical Centre. In response to the COVID-19 crisis a partnership emerged which has over 75 active volunteers, who have given over 4000 hours to serve the community. This new role is to focus on well-being in its fullest sense, by linking community services together to provide a cohesive approach to meeting local need, and, where appropriate bringing the particular pastoral and Spiritual care that the church can offer. The newly refurbished Open Door (Meeting Place) will provide ongoing resources and create a hub for the delivery of this work. For full job description, application form and further details please go to our website: <https://www.stmichaels-budbrooke.org.uk/vacancies> or contact the parish office on 01926 407020, parishoffice@stmichaels-budbrooke.org.uk. Closing date 6th Dec.

da capo
a cappella chamber choir

Christmas Crackers

Start your Christmas with carols old and new
and festive fairy tale atmosphere

TABLE SEATS SOLD OUT!
Supporting Campaign 2023

Collegiate Church of St Mary 7.30pm, Tuesday 21st December

Remaining tickets £8

available from: Mary Adams
dacapo.warwick@gmail.com

OLD FRIENDS AND NEW FRIENDS

At the last meeting of The Friends of St Marys, it was agreed that it was time to bring down the final curtain. Over many years, this organisation has provided wonderful support to the Church of St Mary, by the purchase and renewal of many items which we see around us. The Friends have ensured that the beauty of the church has been enhanced over many years.

However, many of the fundraising events have dwindled in popularity, and our only major funding opportunity has been the Mulled Wine for Victorian evening. In the light of this, it was decided that as we move into the future at St Marys, we now need to focus on the Capital Campaign, and combine our resources to ensure fund raising and social events are working together to maximise the effect. We hope to have one final event in the New Year to Celebrate the work done by so many over the years, and look forward to new ways of supporting our Church- both building and community.

Jayne McHale, Chair of The Friends of St Mary's

CHURCHES TOGETHER

The next Prayer Breakfast is on Saturday 4th December from 8:00am at Mary Immaculate with Prayers led by St Michaels. Please come and join us for the last one of 2021 to give thanks to Jesus for what He has done in 2021 and He will do in 2022.

A Time To Say Goodbye: In Memoriam on Sunday 12th December at Castle Hill Baptist. Christmas can be difficult for those who have lost loved ones. This simple service includes time to remember - to light a candle, post a memory, talk/pray with someone. Starts at 6:30pm.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY CONCERT

AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH - LEAMINGTON HASTINGS

4 DECEMBER

7.30PM

TICKETS £15



AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC PERFORMED BY

THE CHAMBER CHOIR OF WARWICK

PARKING AND FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED

In aid of
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FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS
LEAMINGTON HASTINGS

SCAN OR EMAIL
TO BUY TICKETS
FROM

FRIENDSOFAALLSAINTSLH@GMAIL.COM

ALL USUAL COVID PRECAUTIONS WILL BE IN PLACE

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Ellie Booth, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Elizabeth Duffy, Sheila Freeman, Elizabeth Holroyde, Frances Humphreys, Mandeep Madar, Paul Shilton.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED: Anthony Dawe, Gwen Shilton.

SERVICES THIS WEEK: Beginning 28th November

Wednesday 1 st December	10.00am 5.30pm	Holy Communion Choral Evensong
Friday 3 rd December	5.30pm	Choral Evensong

FORTHCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 5th December - Advent 2

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist in church & online	5.30pm Choral Evensong
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Sunday 12th December - Advent 3

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist in church & online	5.30pm Choral Evensong
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Sunday 19th December - Advent 4

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist in church & online	<u>6.30pm</u> Candlelit Christmas Carol Service
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Sunday 26th December - Boxing Day (Christmas 1)

8.00am No Service	10.30am No Service	5.30pm No Service
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