

Dates for your Diary

07 Nov Funeral of Caroline Crisp
14 Nov Deanery Eucharist service
15 Nov Dane End village lunch
25 Nov Choral evensong
27 Nov BGWM meeting

Hide me now (Still)

Hide me now
Under your wings
Cover me
Within your mighty hand

Find rest my soul
In Christ alone
Know His power
In quietness and trust

*When the oceans rise and thunders roar
I will soar with you above the storm
Father You are King over the flood
I will be still and
know You are God*

*When the oceans rise ...
I will be still and know
You are God*

Reuben Morgan

One day (When we all get to heaven)

One day You'll make everything new,
Jesus
One day You will bind every wound
The former things shall all pass away
No more tears

One day we will see face to face, Jesus
Is there a greater vision of grace
And in a moment, we shall be changed
On that day

And one day we'll be free, free indeed,
Jesus

One day all this struggle will cease
And we will see Your glory revealed
On that day

And when we all get to heaven...

One day You'll make sense of it all, Jesus
One day every question resolved
Every anxious thought left behind
No more fear

*When we all get to heaven
What a day of rejoicing that will be
When we all see Jesus
We'll sing and shout the victory*

Matt Redman

Giving to St Mary's by text message

It is now possible to give to St Mary's by text message! More and more churches are using this as a method of receiving donations and we hope and pray that it will allow more people who would like to give, but don't have cash, to contribute to the life of our church. To give, text SMCS01 £2/£5/£10 to 70070.

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Please take this notice sheet home with you. If you know of someone who is unable to be here today, please take a spare one for him or her.

Please contact Caroline Franks (telephone 01920 822723 or e-mail caroline.franks@f152.co.uk) with any items for the next notices sheet.

The United Benefice of Standon and The Mundens with Sacombe Notices Sheet - 28th October 2018

Welcome to our service today. We welcome Rev Canon Lindsay Dew, who will lead our 9.15 service this morning in All Saints. Rev Mandy Brown will lead our communion service at St Catherine's on Tuesday, and Lindsay will return to St Mary's on Wednesday.

Our readings this morning are:

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (p 1197)

John 5:36b-end (p 1069)

Notices for the coming week

Prayers are said in St. Mary's at 9.15 on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and in All Saints on Thursdays. You are very welcome to join us. All of our churches are open for private prayer during daylight hours.

Sunday, 3.00 pm

Service of memories - St Mary's

Sunday, 4.30 pm

Village Youth Club - Community Centre

Tuesday, 9.30 am

Holy communion - St Catherine's

Wednesday, 9.15 am

Holy communion - St Mary's

Wednesday, 3.00 pm

Mothers' Union meeting - Braughing Old Boys' School

Sunday, 8.00 am

Holy communion - St Mary's

Sunday, 10.45 am

United worship - All Saints

Sunday, 4.30 pm

Village Youth Club - Community Centre

Sunday, 4.45 pm

St Mary's at the School - Roger de Clare

Mary Jones World

When Gwen speaks this morning at our 10.45 service, she will refer to this visitor and education centre that tells the story of Mary Jones and Thomas Charles, and the impact of the world's best selling book, the Bible, on Wales and the rest of the world. It's set on the edge of Lake Bala, where visitors can walk in the footsteps of Mary Jones. Visit www.bydmaryjonesworld.org.uk for more information.

Harvest Appeal

Thank you to all who supported our Harvest appeal. We collected £1,820 across the benefice for Tearfund's work in Burundi.

Please note that we ask you not to take photographs or video recordings, whether on cameras or phones, during any of our benefice services.

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Little Munden Calendars

All Saints members are selling 2019 calendars with photos taken locally. They're priced £5 each and are available in All Saints or from any member of The Mundens PCC.

Milk Bottle Tops

For a long time, we collected plastic milk bottle tops to be recycled for charity. Unfortunately, our human chain for directing those to the charity concerned was interrupted some months ago (one of the links moved!), and we haven't been able to go on with this.

However, our professional youth work partners, the Red Balloon Foundation, can use them for craft work with the many groups they run throughout the north London area as well as locally here. We can therefore invite you, once again, to collect them and leave them in church. Please will you leave them with the foodbank donations, as before, and Caroline will pick them up from there.

Mothers' Union 31st October

The next meeting of Braughing with Standon Mothers' Union will be on Wednesday 31 October at 2.30pm in the Old Boys School Braughing, and our speaker will be Janet Daniels on 'Family Life and Customs in The Gambia'.

For more information please contact Ann Brears on 01920 821674.

Operation Christmas Child

Lizzy's living room is steadily filling up with wrapped and packed shoeboxes! There are several ways in which you can be involved, if you would like to.

1. Pack a whole box. Leaflets detailing how to pack a box, what to put in and what is not allowed, and details of how to pay for transport costs, are available at the back of our churches.
2. Donate items for Lizzy to pack. These can be given to any member of the Franks family, and a box for donations of gifts is at the back of St Mary's.
3. Donate towards transport costs. Each box costs £5 to transport. Please give any donations to Lizzy. Extra cash given to her will be used to buy more things for boxes! Thank you as always for your support.

For your Prayers

As a church family, we pray regularly for each other and for our world. On this sheet, we suggest focus points for prayer for each week.

These suggestions are not exclusive. Please continue to pray for the work of our churches and for those who have been listed on previous sheets.

Praise God

Praise God for the work of the Mothers' Union. As our local group meets this week, let's remember that this organisation is at work across the world, helping and supporting families wherever there is need. Thank God for Mary Sumner, who started the MU in 1876 and pray for all who work tirelessly, either inside the organisation or to support it. Pray for the members of our local branch as it meets monthly in Braughing.

Pray for our world

Today is Bible Sunday. Please pray for courage for our brothers and sisters who live in countries where the Church and Christians face enormous pressure. Ali Khidri,

General Secretary of the Bible Society in Algeria, asks us to pray for the Church in his country. 'Please pray for Algerian Christians and for the ministry of the Bible Society here', he says. 'Our freedom of worship is facing a grave threat and there is clear violation of fundamental freedoms. We need your prayers more than ever.'

Pray for our community

As we hold our annual Service of Memories this afternoon, please pray for all who know the pain of loss. Pray for those in the first, acute weeks of grief, and for those whose loved ones died some time ago. Pray that they will find comfort and peace in God's love and our friendship.

Pray for our benefice

Pray for us all as many of our groups and activities take a break over half term. Pray that we will be refreshed by the rest and re-energised to do God's work in this benefice. Pray for those who will be travelling and for those who will stay at home.

A Prayer to use During our Vacancy

Please use this prayer in your personal prayer time and in any groups you attend.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the ministry of Alan, our previous Rector, and we pray your presence and blessing upon him.

We ask now that you will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others and welcome newcomers.

Lord Jesus, guard and grow this benefice as we serve you together in this period without a Rector.

Please guide those who are seeking the right minister for us, and those who are seeking the right church for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. Amen.

Pray for those in pain of mind or body

Please pray for all in our community who are sick or sad, including those who have been listed recently.

Pray for all who grieve at this time. Pray especially for family and friends of John Scrope and Caroline Crisp.

Jacky Bray writes: Jacky and her family would like to thank all of the church family who made the celebration of Geoff's life on 19th such a wonderful thanks to the Lord. It turned into such a positive, joy in sorrow occasion that helped to carry us through the day. I know that the continuing love and support from so many will surround us as we adjust to life without his physical presence.

If you are aware of anyone who would like our prayers, or would like the church family to share in some news, good or bad, please let Caroline know. Please pass on any news, too, about those for whom we are praying.

Saying Goodbye Service

Ely Cathedral on Sunday November 18th at 6.30pm

This service is for anyone who has lost a baby in pregnancy, at birth or in early years, whether the loss was today or 80 years ago. Those who grieve a pregnancy never even taking place are also welcome.