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**Notices**


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- **SAYING GOODBYE SERVICE:** Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October, 6pm in Chelmsford Cathedral – A service for anyone who has lost a baby in pregnancy, at birth or in early years.
- **MOTHERS' UNION:** Evening meeting on Monday 14th October, 8pm at 19 Worrin Road, when the Street Pastors from Billericay will explain their work. Visitors very welcome! Heather Mann (220360).
- **COFFEE MORNING:** Wednesday 16th October, 11:00am-1pm at Edna Grimble's House (11 Middleton Road). Please bring a bottle for the Bottle Tombola (Christmas Bazaar). Everyone welcome!
- **COME AND MEET YOUR BELL RINGERS** at the 9.30am Parish Eucharist on Sunday 20th October for Bell Sunday when we'll be involved in the service. We will update you on what we have been up to and you can visit the belfry after the service to see us in action.
- **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** (Saturday 16th November, 11am-2pm at the Parish Hall): Collecting items for the Bric-a-Brac nearly new/good condition items only please, Toiletries, Bottles for the bottle tombola, children's books and toys. A great chance to have a clear out at home. Please leave clean items in the box at the back of the church or, if you need collection of items, please contact Anne-Marie Scott [dave.annie@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:dave.annie@hotmail.co.uk)
- **MOTHERS' UNION TRAVELLING CRIBS:** Could anyone knit a sheep for the Travelling Cribs please? Please get in touch with me first and I will give you the pattern and correct wool/stuffing to the standards required. Sign up for the Group or Families Crib to visit by e-mailing Fiona McDonagh on [mrsfmcdonagh@gmail.com](mailto:mrsfmcdonagh@gmail.com) with your name, address and contact telephone number by Sunday 25 November at the latest. Thank you. Molly Hoyle (226929).
- **TREKKERS** are looking for new Leaders / Helpers. For more info contact Sally Prince (07585 118188).
- **FOODBANK:** The October notice of requirements for the Foodbank is on the notice board at the back of the church. A request has been made for Christmas items along with the usual essentials. The Foodbank is very grateful to all who responded to their recent urgent appeal for donations. They had fifty-four families in need of their help in one day recently. They hope with Harvest Festival gifts they will build up enough stock for the next few months. Thank you for your continued support. Helen Dick.
- **ELECTORAL ROLL FORMS** can only be obtained from Edna Grimble and, on completion, must be returned to her. (The electoral roll form is not the same as the blue 'Welcome' card!) Once you have applied and been added to the roll, you will receive a confirmation email via ChurchDesk.
- **TREKKERS:** We meet in St Mary's School Hall, opposite the church, every Sunday at 9.30 am (except on First Sundays and in school holidays). Craft and other fun activities every week. Suitable for school age children. Come and join in. Sally Prince (07585 118188).
- **FOOTPRINTS PLAYGROUP** at Shenfield Parish Hall every Wednesday during term time from 1.30pm - 2.30pm, £2 per child and £1 per additional child. Come along for free play, craft activities and refreshments. Gemma Keeling.

# TheLink

13<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Week two

## Welcome to this Parish Church

You are warmly invited to look around this historic building, to use it for worship, private prayer and quiet reflection. The church is normally open 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. every day (except Sundays) and you are always welcome to come in.

**A very warm welcome** to you if you are here for the first time to worship with us. Please do introduce yourself to us, and complete a blue card, which may be found in a box by the main door, if you would like to keep in touch and find out more about the activities of this Christian community.

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### For the young ...

There is a **CRÈCHE** in the Vestry at the back of the church during the 9.30 a.m. Parish Eucharist. We ask that **only one** parent per family accompany children because space is limited. Please make your way there during the singing of the Gloria.

**Small children**, who do not want to go into the crèche, may like to borrow a **BOOK** or a **HAPPY BAG** from the box at the back of the church.

**Primary school aged children** are invited to join **TREKKERS** in the School Hall during school term time.

On the **First Sunday in the month**, the Parish Eucharist aims to be friendly to worshippers of all ages. Children are encouraged to be present for the whole service, taking part in different ways, and giving the opportunity for families to enjoy worshipping together.

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### Before the service ...

- **Tokens** for use in the collection by PGS and other direct donors are in a bowl by the church door.
- Please prepare for worship **quietly** before the service begins. This is a time when many people like to say their prayers.
- If you have a **prayer request**, please use the prayer tree at the back of the church.
- **Gift Aid envelopes**, for use in the collection by taxpayers, are available in pews. For tax to be reclaimed your details **must** be written on the envelope.
- If you require any assistance, please speak to a Churchwarden or Sidesperson, and they will be very happy to help you.

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### During the week ...

#### Thursday 11.00 a.m. Eucharist

The celebration of the Eucharist on Thursday mornings is an established part of the liturgical life of this parish. It is an opportunity to gather around the Lord's Table during the week in a prayerful service which lasts about half an hour. All are welcome.

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**The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity (Proper 23)****8.00 a.m. Holy Communion**

<b>Celebrant</b>	<i>The Ven. David Lowman</i>
<b>Server</b>	<i>Pauline Sweetingham</i>
<b>Lay Ministers</b>	<i>Canon Paul Betts, Jennie Webb</i>
<b>OT Reading</b>	1 Kings 5.1-3,7-15c; <i>Canon Paul Betts</i>
<b>NT Reading</b>	2 Timothy 2.8-15; <i>Jennie Webb</i>
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	Luke 17.11-19; <i>The Ven. David Lowman</i>
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>The Ven. David Lowman</i>
<b>Intercessions</b>	<i>Canon Paul Betts</i>

**9.30 a.m. Parish Eucharist**

<b>Celebrant</b>	<i>The Ven. David Lowman</i>
<b>Music Setting</b>	<i>Webster</i>
<b>Servers</b>	<i>Shefali Kulkarni, Pauline Sweetingham</i>
<b>Lay Ministers</b>	<i>Claire Lorenc,, Gerardo Yllescas Canon Paul Betts, Linda Ward</i>
<b>Processional</b>	784 Stand up, stand up for Jesus
<b>NT Reading</b>	2 Timothy 2.8-15; <i>Judith Gupta</i>
<b>Gradual</b>	722 Love is the touch of intangible joy
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	Luke 17.11-19; <i>The Ven. David Lowman</i>
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>The Ven. David Lowman</i>
<b>Intercessions</b>	<i>Canon Paul Betts</i>
<b>Offertory</b>	428 Body broken for our good
<b>Communion</b>	
<b>Anthem</b>	'The true and living bread'; <i>D. Blackwell</i>
<b>Hymns</b>	464 Sweet Sacrament divine
<b>Recessional</b>	828 Ye that know the Lord is gracious

**11.00 a.m. Matins**

<b>Officiant</b>	<i>Canon Paul Betts</i>
<b>Server</b>	<i>Ray Jones</i>
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	691 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
<b>Psalm</b>	111
<b>OT Lesson</b>	Isaiah 50.4-10; <i>Sylvia Bridger</i>
<b>NT Lesson</b>	Luke 13.22-30; <i>Rosemary Gales</i>
<b>Anthem</b>	'Litany to the Holy Spirit'; <i>P. Hurford</i>
<b>Intercessions</b>	<i>Canon Paul Betts</i>
<b>Hymn</b>	116 Be thou my guardian and my guide
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>Canon Paul Betts</i>
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	640 Give to our God immortal praise

**6.30 p.m. Open Door**

Anita Butt will lead us on "**A thing most wonderful!**" An opportunity to look at the lives of two 19th century Bishops and sing some of the great hymns they left us. Do come and join us.

**The Craft Hub**

A monthly handcraft group run by St. Mary's Church in support of St. Mary's Charities. Sessions take place between 1.45 pm - 3.00 pm on the second Thursday afternoon in the Shenfield Parish Hall. Bring your project along or try one of our craft packs, or simply pop in for a cup of tea and a chat. £2.50 entry fee (includes refreshments). For more information contact Lesley (224486).

**Please remember in your prayers**

- Peace in the world.
- Our country and its future.
- The suffering people of the world.
- Relations with Iran and Russia.
- Brentwood Schools Christian Workers Trust: providing Christian learning and support in primary and secondary schools in the Brentwood Borough (our Charity of the Month).
- Brentwood Grace Church and its Pastor, Ade Atunrase..
- The local community in Shenfield, especially those who live in Shenfield Road, and Thelma Hawkes & Lisa Machray, who represent us there.
- St Mary's School, the pupils, staff and governors.
- The residents and staff of Old Shenfield Place.
- The Foodbank and those who use it.
- The individual prayers from our Prayer Tree.
- The sick & infirm, and those facing or recovering from surgery, especially Sylvia Agate, Sylvia Baylis, Maureen Beaver, Rahil Butt, Marion Cork, Vivien Fowler, Peter Fuller, Doris Gower, Mary Hirst, Georgia Marston, Janet Miller, David Newton, Sonia Triggs, Catherine Wiggins, Marjorie Witham.
- Those who have died, especially Elizabeth Frazer, and their families and friends.
- Rita Bradbury and Ann Sanders-Hewett, on the anniversary of their deaths.

**Contacts and Information**

- **Ministry Team**  
The Rev'd Christopher Mann *Rector* 01277 220360  
Canon Paul Betts *Licensed Lay Minister* 01277 228497  
Barbara Alderton *Pastoral Visitor* 01277 220033  
Lesley Cook *Lay Evangelist* 01277 224486
- **Churchwardens**  
Ian Eaton 01277 205410  
Edna Grimble 01277 222353
- **Baptism and Wedding enquiries**  
Please contact the Rector 01277 220360
- **TheLink**  
Please give any information in writing to Paul Betts by 12.00 noon on Tuesday for the following Sunday.
- **Website**  
Please visit the parish website for further information at [www.stmaryschurch-shenfield.org.uk](http://www.stmaryschurch-shenfield.org.uk)

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – All Saints Sunday****3.30 pm Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving**

We especially remember those who have died during the last two years, together with members of our church family who have died within the previous ten years. Requests to include other names from the past should be made in writing to Paul Betts (228497) or emailed to [bmgardens68@msn.com](mailto:bmgardens68@msn.com).