**St Helen’s Church Newsletter**

**OCTOBER 2020**

**APCM MEETING - Sunday 25 October at 11.45am**

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting is convened for the election of

Churchwardens, Deanery Synod Representatives and PCC Members. Statutory reports will be given to church members. Only those people who are listed on the church’s electoral roll may participate within the APCM.

**Remembrance Sunday Service**

Due to local Covid restrictions, we will be unable to hold our usual Remembrance Service at the Memorial on Sunday 8 November.

Our service will be held entirely in church and we will have restricted numbers. Should you definitely wish to attend, please ask Ailsa or Angela to put your name on the list at the back of church or email the churchwardens on [seftonchurchwardens@gmail.com](mailto:seftonchurchwardens@gmail.com) before

Saturday 31 October 2020 as a seating plan will be produced for this special service. Thank you.

**Memorial Service** – This service has been cancelled and will be held in early 2021.

**Christmas Services** – again due to Covid restrictions we will be unable to hold our usual Christmas services. As soon as details are finalised we will let you know as it is likely that a similar booking system to Remembrance Sunday will need to be implemented.

**Decorating Church for Christmas**

If you feel able to contribute to the cost of our Christmas decorations over the festive season we would be very grateful. Please see Ivie or put your donations in the Flower Fund box at the back of church. Thank you.

**Rags Collection**

The rags collection is up and running again so if you have anything for John please leave it in the Mock Corporation Pew at the back of church.

**Children’s Society Boxes**

Mary Banks is collecting the Children’s Society boxes in October so if you have one, please bring it to church and give it to Mary.

**Christmas Cards**

Again, due to Covid restrictions we will be unable to have the table at the back of church used for Christmas cards nor will we be able to put single cards on the noticeboard. If you wish to give cards to your friends you will need to hand them to your friends in person as we cannot have them left in church.

**Homemade Christmas Crafts and Compassion Cards Stall**

From Sunday 22 November there will be a small crafts stall with some knitted goods and cross stitch cards and a Compassion Table selling Christmas cards.

**Heritage Weekends**

On a positive note, for those who were not in church when this was announced, the heritage weekends again proved to be very popular and we managed to raise over £516 which pleased our Treasurer very much!

A big thank you again to all those who volunteered over the two weekends.

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**Sefton Church Bank details for donations, standing orders etc are as follows:**

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