Birthdays this month

12th November - Stephen Barlow (18!)

12th November – Benjamin Curley (1!)

20th November – Karen Tracey

Do let Elisabeth or Keith know your birthdays – or special celebrations, so we can celebrate together!

This fortnight's ECO tip!

Due to population growth, climate change and high water-use technologies, our water levels in the world, and even in the UK are dangerously low, with rationing a real possibility by 2050. By 2050 England is projected to face a shortfall of up to 5 billion litres of water every day. Much of the problem is to do with huge leaks, but, other than campaigning on that and writing to our MPs and water companies... what small steps can we do to help? The next few week's tips will focus on water use. If everyone in the UK saved **one tablespoon** of water per day, it would save enough per year to fill 179667 Olympic swimming pools... can you save 1tbsp this week?

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If you would like to receive this sheet regularly by email please let Mthr V know and she can add you to the mailing list. This will reduce paper usage (for the environment and for cost), as well as helping us all to keep in touch better

Revd Chris

Please keep Revd Chris in your prayers as he continues time off for personal reasons.

THE PSALM RESPONSE

Lord guide me in your way and your path

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S. Margaret, Hasbury

9th & 16th November Remembrance Sunday and 2nd Sunday before Advent



In This Week's Scripture...

"Now he is the God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive"

Luke 20: 38

'Do this in memory of me' says Jesus as he helps his disciples to face his coming death, and give them strength to hold through to the resurrection.

'Do this in memory of me' he says as he teaches them that his love is in all the broken things, and will bring them all together, restored into new life.

This is my body, take it and eat it. Make it yours. Let me take your brokenness and make it whole in my life and my love.

Re-membering. It is the opposite of dis-membering. As we remember, we bring together all the stories, all the sorrows, all the pain. We honour and hold together those whose lives and stories have been broken, holding them together in our hearts; in God's love, where no-one is lost, and all are alive.

And as we do so, we commit ourselves, re-membering ourselves, and all peoples, to into the Love of God, into people of hope and re-conciliation; people who stand for peace through justice; the Body of Christ, praying, loving, acting and speaking for and with all our sisters and brothers in creation, in the name of Peace and Healing.

gluten free? If you need a gluten free wafer at communion, please let the welcomers know

T loop: Please set your hearing aid to T-Loop to use the sound system effectively



Worship in the coming weeks:

Tonight: 5.15pm evening prayer on zoom (click link) https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5589842329

Tuesday 7.30am said half hour holy Mass *followed* by optional Tea and toast at S. Margaret's **Wednesday** 7pm half hour said Compline

Please note, there is no online compline this week Thursday Evening Prayer 3pm Next Sunday

11.15am Holy Mass with Hymns 5.15pm evening prayer on zoom (same link)

Remembrance Sunday: 10.50am!

The worship at S. Margaret's on this Remembrance Sunday will begin at 10.50 am, not 11.15am, in order to allow for an Act of Remembrance at 10.55am. Many thanks to our sisters and brothers at S. Peter's, Cradley for getting up early to begin their worship at 9am to allow us to do this.

There is also in the afternoon the Civic Act of Remembrance with the Parade led by the Royal British Legion, accompanied by the Deputy Lord Lieutenant, uniformed organisations and friends at S. Peter's, the parade leaves the Community Centre at about 2.30pm, and gathers at the War Memorial at 2.45pm, and then proceeding into Church. All are welcome.

Voices in the Vestry tonight 6pm

This informal act of worship meets at the back of church with a cuppa, and is currently exploring the Lord's prayer. Tonight's reflection will explore the word "Father", within a context of Remembrance. All are welcome.

Next Team Worship: November 16th

The final Team Worship of 2025. It will take place at 10.30am at S. Peter's, Lapal. There will be no worship at S. Margaret's that morning.

Party Mass! Date for your diary

6th **January Epiphany, 7pm** Party Mass with Chinese Takeaway

Luke's Gospel!

Luke is the gospel which tells of the Nativity of Jesus, as well as unfolding the Story of Jesus from a unique perspective of healing, touching and inclusion. Why not read it this coming season in the preparation for Christmas? And why not meet up for a cuppa to share what you find? We will be meeting to look at chapters 1 – 3 in S. Margaret's Church **Friday 21**st **November 10am**

Can you sing Carols at the Lutley Oak

December 20th in the evening? They have requested some people to come and carol sing in the pub and share a little bit of Christmas. Please sign up if you can come down for an hour in the early evening.

RIP Mark Woodhall: funeral details

Mark's funeral will be held in S. Margaret's Church on November 26th at 11am, all are welcome.

Vanessa & Neil's Confirmation

Many of you will know Vanessa and Neil from Coffee Mornings or from StoryTime, and Baby Benjamin who was baptised here recently. Vanessa and Neil will be confirmed at the Cathedral on November 23rd. Please keep them in your prayers, and do come along to support if you are able

Baptism next week of Freddie Worrall

Little Freddie is being baptised at S. Margaret's on 16th November at 1pm. Please pray for him and for his family as he takes his first steps of faith.

Communion Wafers

Mthr V has been made aware that a few people are unhappy with the current Communion Wafers and wondering why we have changed. The simple reason is that the old ones are no longer being produced, and we cannot source identical replacements. We will continue to trial different kinds, but they are always sold in quite large quantities, so it takes time to work through each order. You are most welcome to only receive in one kind (just the wine) if you are able, or to receive the Gluten Free Wafers – but please let us know if you intend to do that, as we do not consecrate large numbers of those each week.

Gas heaters

Our old gas heaters have now been condemned and so we will have none working in the coldest part of the winter to supplement our overhead heating. If you have any sensible suggestions as to how we can supplement the heating in those few weeks of the year please do speak to the vicar or wardens. Meanwhile, the overhead heating works fabulously most of the year, so if you are a colder person please do sit under one, and / or borrow the lovely blankets.

Raffle Prizes

Barbara and Lynn have kindly volunteered to hold a raffle at the Brassy Christmas Concert on December 5th. If you are able to, please could you donate a couple of prizes? Speak to Barbara or Lynn.