



## NOTICE SHEET FOR ST MARY'S TOLLESBURY AND SALCOTT

9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025

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Welcome to those visiting! Do please make yourself known to the sidespersons and ministers:  
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(Please contact Rosie if you wish to book, a wedding, baptism etc. She is available on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Messages left at other times during the week will be responded to at regular intervals)

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#### SAFEGUARDING

We are committed to Safeguarding children and young people and vulnerable adults within this Benefice. The PCC has adopted the Church of England's policies and best practice of safeguarding which may be found on the Church of England's website: <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/safeguarding>, or on the Safeguarding pages of the Chelmsford Diocese: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/safeguarding>.

**Details of your Parish Safeguarding Representative can be found on the noticeboard in your church.**

#### ADDITIONAL SERVICE ST MARY'S TOLLESBURY

**Morning prayer on 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> November 9.15 in  
the Church Tower**

#### DAILY OPENING TIME FOR CHURCHES

**St. Mary's Salcott – 7am – 5pm  
St. Mary's Tollesbury – 10am – 3pm**

#### WELCOME TO REV JO WOOD

The Licensing service for Jo was very well attended and the service was very enjoyable and uplifting.

Not sure if you are all aware that 'Cluster 4' as we were originally known as now has a new name we are now the Waterside Parishes. A very big welcome to Jo from the Waterside Parishes.

#### Prayers for the sick: Ron Jones, Years Mind:

**9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Edward Giles, Albert Betts, Anthony Russell, Percy Clarke, Raymond Lewis, David Minton, Cynthia Pewter, Edward Wash, Margaret Smith, Doris Campbell, Edward Giles, Richard Parmenter, Christopher Coates.

**16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov:** James Sheldrick, Frank Spain, Edith Beard, Dorothy Arthur, Lucy Braybrook, Sheila Turnbull, Eileen Spooner, Anne Ward, Christopher Wager, Aileen Gaskell, Arthur Harrison, William McLeod, Michael Schofield, Helena Dawson, Jack Houlding, Samuel Parmenter, Nancy Cross.

**SUNDAY WEEK TWO - 9th November - 3rd  
Sunday before Advent - Remembrance Sunday**

- 10.30am** Tollesbury Remembrance Service,  
outside around the Memorial –  
Rev Andrew Vince and Rev Jo Wood.
- 3.00pm** Salcott -Remembrance Service –  
Rev Sarah Clare.

**SUNDAY WEEK THREE - 16th November - 2nd  
Sunday before Advent – Red  
Malachi 4:1-2a, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13  
Luke 21:5-19**

- 9.30am** Tollesbury Morning Prayer –  
Isabel Adcock
- 9.30am** Tollesbury Messy Church in the  
Congregational Church –  
breakfast is served from 9.00am
- 11.30am** Salcott Holy Communion –  
Rev Sally Morris

**PHILIP SMITH – REFLECTIONS**

*“The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, and no torment will ever touch them.....Their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction. But they are at peace.”*

These words from Chapter 3 of the Wisdom of Solomon are sometimes read on All Souls Day – last Sunday.

During the course of this service a list is read of those who have departed this life. Usually this is done at the request of members of the congregation, residents of the parish, or friends.

It is a solemn occasion, and for many people a sad day because the memories come back of the part those people have played in our lives, and the joy they have brought us.

But that passage from the Wisdom of Solomon is a reminder that the ending of life in our world is not the end of the story.

Those people are still with us, not corporeally of course, but in our minds and in our memories. They never truly depart from our lives.

Sometimes they might seem to be close. If, and when, that happens, we can almost see them in the blossoming of a flower in the Spring perhaps, or in the falling of a golden leaf in the Autumn. In a favourite chair or watching us perform some everyday chore about the house.

Just a memory perhaps, transitory, insubstantial, incorporeal, but a memory that seems real in our minds and offers us the opportunity to smile and remember.

So, as well as the solemnity and the sadness, on the occasion of All Souls we should also try to draw out of ourselves some happiness, comfort and some satisfaction that our loved ones have simply moved on to a time of Peace with God, and that they have been able to put aside the pain and troubles of our troubled world.

*“The Lord is my Shepherd.”* These words from Psalm 23 are, justifiably, among the most well known statements found in the Bible. The Psalm and its message resonates in our minds; it provides a message of hope for this life and a promise of God’s Peace thereafter.

That message is summed up beautifully in John’s Gospel, Chapter 3, verse 16: *“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but have eternal life.”*

The well known hymn Stand up, stand up for Jesus concludes with the words:

*“Christ’s love has set us free.  
He conquered death forever  
And lives eternally.”*

An upbeat end to an upbeat hymn.

Inevitably we all mourn on All Souls Day. But we can also find some consolation in our knowledge that though our loved ones have gone before us, they have not gone very far.

**NEW WEEKLY NEWSLETTER.  
A MESSAGE FROM REV JO**

**As we begin this new stage in our journey together as the Waterside Parishes, one of the ways we want to mark this new beginning is by publishing a weekly newsletter with information about services and events across all five of the Waterside Parishes.**

**Rosie Pollock, our Administrator, will be compiling the newsletter each week. If you would like to receive a copy of this newsletter please email Rosie at :-**

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