

Notices

Fire escape

In case there is a need to evacuate church, please make yourself familiar with the fire exit routes before the service starts.

Compline

There will be a service of Compline on Wednesday 3rd December at 9.30pm via Zoom, the details for which are - Meeting ID: 848 0981 2495 Passcode: 464983

Dates for your diary

Swann Group Advent service 30th November at 4pm at St Michael & All Angels church. Christingle assembly Monday 22nd December in church. Time to be confirmed.

Saturday lunch club – Saturday 13th December

Please make a note of the date of the next lunch club in December and come along to support it.

Advent course

It's not too late to join in with the advent course, just turn up tomorrow (or on any of the next three Mondays) at 10.30am at church.

Christmas flowers

We have started collecting donations towards the Christmas flowers. If you are able to contribute please put your offering in an envelope marked 'Flowers' placing it on the collection plate or hand it directly to Lesley. Thank you for your generosity and thank you to Lesley and Steve for all that they do to ensure that our floral displays are fabulous.

Place of Welcome Christmas celebration

There will be a Christmas celebration on Friday 19th December at St Cyprians church Place of Welcome which is located in the Memorial Hall. If you are free, please do come along at 10.30am for a mince pie or two and a large dose of festive cheer!

Christmas services

Please take note of the pattern of Christmas services which are on a separate page and are also available in the Narthex.

Church eco group

Would you be interested in joining a small number of people who could help shift our actions as a church to make them more eco-friendly? Not a huge commitment other than a passion to tread more gently on the face of Mother Earth as an organisation. If you are interested or would like further information please ask Fr Alex.

Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who contributed in the many different ways to make our Christmas Fayre a success, without your offerings it wouldn't have happened. A particular thank you to the Social Committee (Veronic, Rosemary, Denise and Faith) for all that they did in the planning, encouraging and organising. There is a sheet in the Narthex with the totals from all the stalls.

Knit and natter

The last session for knit and natter before the Christmas break will be on the 10th December returning again in the new year on the 7th January 2026.

Prayers across our churches

Saint Cyprian's church

Thank you, generous Lord, for opening up to us the provision of legal advice with regards to future charitable structures. May the power of your spirit help us navigate the legal language so that we can clearly understand what needs to be done.

Saint Michael & All Angels church

Merciful and generous Lord we hold before you the grant bid made to Keeble College. May the processes of assessment and decision-making bear fruit for us in South Yardley as we seek to refurbish the kitchen.

Saint Benedict's church

Swing open the doors of possibility for renewing the fabric and use of the church hall. Enable us faithful Lord to use this asset for the blessing of those who you call us to serve.

Saint Mary's church

As we move through Advent, may our focus be on the celebration of your birth but let us not forget the greatest gift your life on a cross at Calvary.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus

1 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
ye soldiers of the cross;
lift high His royal banner,
it must not suffer loss.
From vict'ry unto vict'ry
His army shall He lead,
till ev'ry foe is vanquished,
and Christ is Lord indeed.

2 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
the trumpet call obey;
forth to the mighty conflict,
in this His glorious day.
Ye that are brave now serve him
against unnumbered foes;
let courage rise with danger,
and strength to strength oppose.

3 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
stand in His strength alone;
the arm of flesh will fail you,
ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the gospel armor,
each piece put on with prayer;
where duty calls or danger,
be never wanting there.

4 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
the strife will not be long;
this day the noise of battle,
the next the victor's song.
To him who over-cometh
a crown of life shall be;
they with the King of Glory
shall reign eternally.

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