#### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Sunday 9th November** 

Remembrance Sunday, 10.15am

#### **Tuesday 11th November**

ALM Worship Course in the Tapestry Room, 7.00pm - 9pm

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** Stitch Craft 10.30am - 12.30pm

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November**Bell Ringing Practice, 7.30pm

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November Safeguarding Sunday

Informal Worship, 9.15am Holy Communion, 11.15am



#### A Wonderful Time Together!

We had a wonderful time at Church@4 on Sunday! We enjoyed a delicious soup supper before thinking about where we get our strength from. Our Bible story was about Samson. Samson thought his strength came from his long hair, but when his hair was cut off, he discovered that his real strength came from God. With God's help, Samson used his strength to defeat the Philistines, bringing down the pillars of their temple. We explored the story in lots of creative ways - playing Jenga with a twist (answering questions about strength in our own lives before moving a block), making a "pillar of strength" from ideas of where we find strength, and using playdough to create scenes from the story. In the photo, you can see how some combined their creations to show Samson pulling down the pillars! We gather again on Sunday 7th December, when we'll be exploring Advent. Save the date and come and join us!





# ST LEONARD'S CHURCH SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Here, everyone is welcome, valued, and loved by God and each other as we explore faith and prayer together



#### WELCOME TO ST LEONARD'S CHURCH

Whether this be your first time or hundredth time at St Leonard's, you are very welcome.

We hope that in this time of worship you encounter and know the peace and love of God. If you would like further information about the worship, life and ministry of St Leonard's or anything else, any member of our congregation will be happy to chat with you.

#### Remembrance

We pause in silent gratitude and pray,
For peace hard-won, for love that lights the way;
Through sacrifice, through shadow, loss, and pain
Till peace shall come, and love shall ever reign



For wedding, baptism, or funeral enquires, or to ask anything about the life, ministry and mission of St Leonard's and St Laurence Church please contact Penny.

Email: church-beoleyandalvechurch@outlook.com

Phone: 0121 447 7955

The parish office is open Tuesday - Thursday, 9.30am - 1.30pm

### **Bible Readings:**

Luke 20:27-38 page 1056 in Pew Bible

## The Collect Prayer

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

## St Leonard's Christmas Market Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Donations are warmly welcomed and can be left in the Tapestry Room or given to stall holders. We especially need bottled drinks, chocolate, Christmas decorations, and good quality gifts for the popular Tombola, plus non-perishable food items for the Grand Draw Hamper. If you'd like to offer a specific hamper item, please contact Phil Mitchell.

A final planning meeting will be held on Monday 10th November at 7:00pm in the Tapestry Room – all stall holders and helpers are encouraged to attend.

Queries: John McWilliams – jdmcw.home@gmail.com

# Christmas Market - Succession Planning

With John taking on extra responsibilities as Churchwarden, this will be his final year coordinating the Christmas Market. If we'd like this much-loved event to continue, now is the time to plan ahead.

The market is a joyful community event that raises funds and shares our church's welcome. We're looking for someone (or a small team) to coordinate next year's event. The coming weeks are a great chance to shadow John as preparations step up. If you're interested or would like to know more, please speak to John or Gail. Without a new coordinator, sadly, the market cannot continue next year. John and Philippa are happy to support whoever takes it forward.

# Our Churchwardens Dennis Moore

Email: den\_moore@msn.com

John McWilliams Email: jdmcw.home@gmail.com

#### Love Christmas - How to donate

If you would like to give a donation to this year's Love Christmas campaign here are the different ways to do it:

1.Put your donation in one of the pink envelopes in the pews marked as "Love Christmas", tick if you are a tax payer and can gift aid, and put in the plate collection.

Cheques should be made payable to St Leonards Church:

2.Use the bank details below to transfer is a online banking using "Love Christmas" reference:

Account Name: St Leonards Parish Chur.

Sort Code: 30-96-97 Account Number: 00510440

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3.Use the QR code to link to the Give A Little Campaign account and donate online:

4.If all else fails talk to Adrian Iszatt our Treasurer.



To donate to St Leonard's scan the QR code and follow the instructions on the link. All donations support the ministry of St Leonard's.

