COLLECT

All **Heavenly Father,**
whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER
Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen

15th Nov 2nd Sunday before Advent
Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end
1 Thessalonians 5.1-11
Matthew 25.14-30

22nd Nov Christ the King
Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24
Ephesians 1.15-end
Matthew 25.31-end



Food Bank

If you are able to add items to your shopping list that especially tinned and packet food and hygiene products that would be appreciated along with any other donations you feel you are able to give. The collection box is at the back of church. *And don't forget your used postage stamps spectacles and post cards (for MAF).*

Warm Welcome Space+

Thursdays 12noon to 3pm. All welcome

"It's a place to keep up to date with what's going on, laughing, joking and enjoying each others company"
The PCC have decided to incorporate a coffee and craft aspect into our Warm Welcome Spaces from the beginning of November for a trial period.
Warm Welcome Spaces will be on a drop-in basis any time between 12 noon and 3pm every Thursday except Christmas Eve. You and your friends or neighbours can come for a soup and bread lunch between 12 and 1.30, craft and coffee between 12 and 3 (bring your own craft or try something new) and chat at any time! If you would like to help on a Thursday with the food and drinks, please sign up on the list near the stained glass window and indicate whether you can help from 11.45 to 2 or 11.45 to 3. ***Thanks Marion***

Happy 80th birthday to Keith Dunkley, who thinks he has escaped the publicity as he is away from church for a few weeks!

King Richard Court Open Day

Sunday 15th Nov 2-5pm

You are invited to the open Afternoon at King Richard Court to see what they have to offer if you are considering sheltered accommodation. ***Geoff Goswell***

Children's Society Boxes

Please bring your boxes to church by today, Sunday 15th Nov. Marion will be retiring from her role as Children's Society Home Boxes co-ordinator after this collection of boxes (If you are interested in taking on this role please speak to her for more information. If nobody volunteers, we will no longer be able to support The Children's Society in this way. ***Marion Angus***

Christmas Tree Festival



Plans for the Christmas Tree Festival weekend are well underway. If you or anyone you know would like to exhibit a tree, please email events@stbens.uk by **15th Nov**.
On Saturday 5th December from 11am to 3pm there will be craft and cake stalls, raffles, refreshments as well as school children singing, not to mention enjoying looking at and voting for your favourite Christmas Trees (there are prizes for the best adult's and children's trees). On **Sunday 6th December** at 2.30pm we have a community Carol service and from 6pm to 8pm there will be a Christmas Tree Glow. West Hunsbury Parish Council will be providing the outdoor tree and all are invited to sing carols round the tree at 6pm. Mulled wine, hot chocolate and mince pies will be available to warm you up while you enjoy the spectacle of around 20 Christmas Trees lit up in the church.

"Treasure Island".

ACT Pantomime
Thurs 3rd, Fri 4th Dec at 7.30pm and Sat 5th Dec at 2pm and 6pm at the Abbey Centre. Tickets are £10 for adults, £5 for kids and £25 for a family, available from the centre manager Sarah, or online here: https://www.abbeycommunitytheatre.co.uk/

Hunsbury Library

Hunsbury Library are asking us to promote their services to help more people discover the benefits of free library membership and they would be grateful for your support. Library members can borrow books, eBooks and eAudiobooks, access free computers and Wi-Fi, enjoy digital magazines and online resources, and take part in a wide range of events and activities. -Use it or lose it!

Christmas services

We are privileged to have Bishop Debbie leading our Service of Nine Lessons and Carols on Sunday 13th December at 6pm followed by refreshments and an opportunity to talk with her. On Christmas Eve at 4pm Bishop Alex (Bishop of Brixworth) will be helping to lead the Christingle Service. Please put both dates in your diaries and support these and our other services during the Advent and Christmas season.