Sunday Services in November

	Christ Church	St. Marys
Sunday 1st November All Saints Day	8am Holy Communion (BCP) 6.00pm Choral Evensong for All Souls	10.30am Parish Eucharist 12.30pm Baptism for Maya Thomas-Wyatt
Sunday 8th	9. 30am Sung Eucharist	10.30am Service of Remembrance
Sunday 15th	8am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.00 Bubble Church 10.30am Parish Eucharist
Sunday 22nd	10.30am Sung Eucharist	9am Morning Praise
Sunday 29th Advent Sunday	8am Holy Communion (BCP)	10.30am Parish Eucharist
Sunday 6th December	8am Holy Communion (BCP) 6.00pm Choral Evensong	10.30 Parish Eucharist

Each Wednesday 10.00am Eucharist at St. Mary's (said)
Critchill Court Holy Communion Tuesday 3rd November at 2pm
Belmont Villa Holy Communion Thursday 5th November at 2.30pm
Greenhill Grange Communion Service Wed 25th November at 2.30pm
Frome Hospital Service Friday 27th October at 2pm

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Pews News for November

From the vicar..

On Friday 30th October, I went with Jenny Thomas and Jeanne Price to St. Paul's Cathedral to a special service celebrating 10 years of the charity Ataloss. It also marked the launch of Bereavement Matters Season which runs from the beginning of November to the end of December.

As the Dean of St. Paul's said in his bidding; 'bereavement is both a universal experience and and profoundly personal encounter. It affects individuals, families and communities, yet it is something that too often is locked behind closed doors.'

November begins with All Saints' Day when we remember the saints of the Church.. many of who died for their faith.. perhaps reflecting on the grief that their friends and families experienced. All Souls' day follows when we remember those dear to us who have. For some the loss is recent and the loss still raw. Remembrance Sunday, we commemorate those who have fallen in conflict and knowing that they continue to do so… perhaps reflecting on the grief of our community coming to terms with the death of a generation.

As Christmas approaches, there will be many people for whom the preparations and the busyness accentuates their sense of loss and grief knowing that someone they love will not be there on Christmas Day.

We are fortunate in Frome that there are a number of groups providing bereavement care, but all of us can make room for each other, to walk alongside each others and to offer comfort and hope as we are simply present together in the company of the saints and angels in God's love.

Blessings
Revd Liz



Remembrance Sunday



Parish Eucharist at Christ Church at 9.30am
Service of Remembrance at St. Mary's at 10.30 am

This is to allow time to join the Town's Act of Remembrance at the Memorial Theatre at 10.55am
There is also an act or remembrance at the war memorial at St. Mary's a the end of the service there.

There will be a

Thanksgiving Service

for
Geoffrey Berryman
at Christ Church on Friday November 20th at 2pm.
All are welcome to come



From the Registers

Funerals
Diana Pulman
October 12th at West Wilts Crematorium

Thanks to the leaf sweepers at St. Mary's.
There are leaves yet to fall, so there may be further dates this month to lend a hand….





Christmas Fayres

St Mary's Saturday 14th November 10am-1pm
Christ Church Saturday 21st November 10am-2pm

Raffle-cakes-books-toys-gifts-tombola-craft

Donations for either Fayre can be left in the back of church between now and then

A Talk at Christ Church



Saturday 28th November 11am
Christ Bucklow speaking about
William Blake
(28th is Blake's birthday so Blake Cake and coffee available from 10.30)
Donations for Christ Church Future Appeal

Quiz

Once again, Peter did a great job as quiz master, giving us another entertaining and gently boggling array of questions. The food was delicious, the raffle prizes were varied and the evening raised £126 for church funds. Once again thank you to all involved and looking forward to the next one…

Vestry Work

The work on the vestry at Christ Church continues and it is nearly ready to paint. Thanks to everyone who has helped so far.



Harvest Festival

Thank you for a wonderful harvest celebration. There were services in both churches and a delicious lunch at Christ Church. The Garden Nursery came to St. Mary's for their harvest service too. The gifts of dried goods were all taken to Fair Frome and £130 was donated to Christian Aid







Car Park at St. Mary's

Thanks to the hard work by the coffee morning team and the generosity of the coffee morning attendees, it is great news that the funds are available to do the work upgrading the car park area.
This work is due to take place on Friday 4th December and there will be no access to St. Mary's via the driveway that day.
(the coffee mornings will continue!)

Situations vacant..

Many thanks to everyone who take a turn on a rota of any kind.. flower arrangers.. sacristans… readers… chalice assistants.. musicians… sound people… intercessors…welcomers.. refreshments..
Your generosity of time and commitment helps our services run smoothly and our churches offer a welcome to everyone.
There is however space for more to get involved.. especially people willing to work the sound… (if you are comfortable with an iPad, you have the skills!). If anyone is interested in knowing more, please speak to the person doing the job, Revd Liz or the churchwardens.

Mary's House Community



Marys House Community is a community for the spiritually curious - a gathering of seekers exploring together what Christian wisdom can teach us about how to live more fully in an uncertain world.
All are welcome.
We meet on alternate Tuesdays for a simple meal and contemplative prayer (6.30pm) If eating isn't for you, then come along at 7pm . The meditation is led by different people each time and there is a focus (music, scripture, poetry..) followed by 20 mins of silence and then a time of dialogue/sharing.
Our next meeting is on Tuesday 24th November

Emmaus Course

Wednesday November 18th at 6.30pm at the Vicarage



Starting with supper so if eating isn't for you, come along at 7pm (please let Revd Liz know for catering numbers).
A course for those wanting to explore and deepen faith and prepare for confirmation. More details from Revd Liz

Music Marathon at Christ Church

On Saturday 17th October, Christ Church was filled with continuous music from 9am until 9pm. Starting with the Frome Youth Choir in the morning and ending with Alison Townley at the end, there was a wonderfully varied programme showcasing the immense local talent so generously offered. Funds were being raised towards the accessible entrance and the total for the day was £2200..
Thanks to everyone who took part.. especially the refreshment providers and servers as well as to Ann for organising the whole day.









Christmas Tree Festival

If you would like to place a tree in the Festival, contact Mary on christchurchfuture24@gmail.com by Dec 1st

Setting up between 2pm and 5pm on Saturday 5th with carols round the piano and hot chocolate at 5pm as we celebrate the launch of the Festival.
Trees to be collected after the carols on the 13th or by arrangement.
Raising funds for Christ Church Future and having fun creating a beautiful sacred space for Christmas.



Marys House Community Day





From Christ Church PCC…

The PCC met at the beginning of October. Here are some of the exciting bits…

We accepted the safeguarding plan and Sarah Eyles gave is an overview of the safeguarding dashboard

Work in caring for the churchyard is continuing on a regular basis

The PCC will be reviewing investments held by the church and the new finance system is up and running after months of hard work

From St. Mary's PCC

There were exciting bits from the October meeting of St. Mary's PCC too..

The quote for the car park upgrade has been received and there is the money to do the work thanks to the coffee morning team.

The boiler and the fire extinguishers are good to go for another year.

Sarah Chabowska has offered to look into general publicity opportunities

There is a need for a person to be responsible to ensuring ad hoc hirers can access the hall

The number of people who can operated the sound during services needs to increase

The Inclusive Church day will be on Saturday 31st January followed by a benefice Lent course.

The next PCC meetings are on December 1st (St Marys) and December 3rd (Christ Church) If there is anything you would like raising please speak to Revd Liz, Olivia Date (CC) or Diane Ellis (SM) by November 22nd