

FOR PRAYER

SICK AND SHUT-IN: Debbie Thornton / Alan Bartlett / Olive Lane / Bryan Walker / Wendy Trent / John Round-Turner / Mary Sharpe / Margaret Watson / Pamela Bowen / Sue Waugh / Cindie Lind / Marlene Jackaman / Georgina Simpson / Rob King / Caroline Tea / Sybil Groves / Pam Appleyard / Stuart Voss / Ruby Lee / Peter Brown / Lesley Gill / Ian Ramsay-Helie / Lynne Hayward / Janet Ramsay-Helie / Elizabeth Burns

DEPARTED: Douglas Anscomb, Reginald Firman Des O'Connor, Ray Clemence

ANNIVERSARIES: Please see list by ICON and in the magazine

PRAYERS FOR:

- Scientists working to finalise the Pfizer/BioNtech Covid-19 vaccine, following on from the final stages of testing - known as a phase 3 trial.
- Good news from trial results, due in the next few weeks, on a vaccine being developed by British drug manufacturer AstraZeneca and scientists at the University of Oxford.
- Students and staff at Fairstead House School; residents of Phantom House Stables, equine and human.
- Newmarket's NHS professionals: mental health workers
- United States of America: President-elect Joe Biden and his team
- Jutta Brueck (Ipswich St Thomas), Max Osborne (Newmarket All Saints), Rich Henderson (Beccles St Michael & St Luke), Bryn Bayman (chaplain, Framlingham College), Andrew Dotchin (Felixstowe St John the Baptist w St Edmund), new honorary canons of St Edmundsbury cathedral.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER: Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord,
the wills of thy faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may of thee be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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NOTICES

Worship arrangements in a time of Covid-19, going forward...

- **Sunday Online worship: a message from the clergy.** We will continue to offer an online service as a principal Sunday service at 10am (unless otherwise advised) (and opening up half an hour beforehand) for November.
- There will also be Wednesday evening services at 7pm, some following a familiar format, and perhaps newer things also. As usual, the telephone line will be open for all online services (accessed by dialling 03300 945 940 and using room number 24456910# and PIN 7760# when prompted), and service sheets will be made available at <https://www.stmarysandstagnesnewmarket.org.uk/service-times/> for you to download.
- **Services at St Agnes'.** Please note: Unless Boris intervenes again, there'll be Matins on Sunday 6 December, 11.15 a.m., and Holy Communion on Christmas Day, 11.15 a.m. But all is provisional at this stage.
- As in previous years, **there will be no Evening Prayer** at St Mary's during December and January.
- St Mary's will be open for **private prayer** only, 10 a.m. until 12 noon on Wednesday 25 November

St Mary's PCC: re-arranged. In the event, the PCC meeting in church, planned for Monday 9 November was cancelled, by order of the archdeacon. Rather than happening by Zoom (not the rector's favourite medium), it will now take place in church, on Monday 7 December, 7pm – Covid-19 allowing.

Thanks go to the Revd Cheryl Belding for continuing to 'drive the bus' on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, i.e. to manage and control our streamed services, be they streamed from the homes of the clergy or from one or other of the parish churches. Without Cheryl's expertise and commitment, the clergy team simply would not be able to offer this valuable online service at the present time. Cheryl keeps cool when the on-board Gremlins occasionally stall the bus, and always does her best to get it going again.

Newmarket Day Centre: a message from Cheryl. I have received a request from the Day Centre regarding their community folk this Christmas. They realise that there will be more of them who will be on their own this Christmas and wanted to provide a bag of Christmas treats for them. They are asking for small gift donations of treats; i.e. biscuits, chocolate, toiletries, drinks in cans or small bottles anything small that could go to make a parcel for them. They

are planning to do all the wrapping etc themselves so need to fill a bag or box. Anything at all would be much appreciated by them. You can either drop items off yourselves at the Day Centre – they are there mid-morning to mid-afternoon sending out ‘Hot Plates’ -or I am happy to sort out collecting items if you find that you can help the staff achieve their goal for this Christmas. Donations accepted up to 17th December. Many thanks in anticipation *Revd. Cheryl phone 07801499179*

Forthcoming...

- WELL... Boris has intervened after all – so **St Mary’s Christmas coffee morning** will NOT go ahead on Saturday 28th November from 10-12 unless Boris intervenes again and the lockdown is lifted in time, which we do not expect to happen.
- St Mary’s **tombola** will NOT now take place in the Guineas on Saturday 5th December. The continuing threat of Covid-19 (rather than Boris or the weather) discourages the team, and has made them put ‘safety first’, very sensibly.
- NB: **Sunday 8am and Monday evening Communion services at St Mary’s** will not resume until further notice, nor worship at St P & E’s.

Psalm 95.1-7

¹ O come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
³ For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.
⁶ O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
⁷ For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.
O that today you would listen to his voice!

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READINGS

9.45	6.30
Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24	Psalms 93
Psalms 95.1-7	2 Samuel 23.1-7
Matthew 25.31-end	Maccabees 2.15-29

COLLECT: Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

As the church's ministry continues and adapts during the COVID-19 challenge, your prayers are much appreciated by myself and all the clergy at this time. With our prayers and best wishes. Please do not hesitate to be in contact should you wish to speak with one or other of us: Revds John, Cheryl, Jeremy; also Canon Mark.

CHURCH SERVICE DETAILS: PLEASE READ ON

