

Notices for the week beginning:

Sunday 23rd November 2014

Please ask if you would like to know any more about the events listed on this page.

St Mary's Christmas Cards

Mission Christmas cards, produced from a Nativity painting by Elaine Smith, will be for sale from today. There will also be a 'special, limited edition' of Christmas cards, kindly made by Lucy Rennie, Jean's mum and Stephen's mother-in-law, for Mission fund-raising. Many thanks to these two talented ladies for their skill and contribution to St Mary's Mission.

Donations are welcome for our Christmas Market and can be left at the back of church. Please note Katey's request in the magazine that we retain our reputation for quality so please only donate goods that are of a standard that you would be happy to purchase yourself.

Next Sunday is Advent Sunday when we not only celebrate the beginning of the church's year but also the season of preparation leading up to Christmas. To help us in this time of preparation there are a selection of books at the back of church that we have borrowed from the Robin Woods Library for personal study use. If you would like to borrow a book please complete the loan slip so that we can keep track of where the books are.



Don't forget our Tuesday Tea in the Narthex this week on Tuesday afternoon 2.00pm—4.00pm.

Do come along and bring a friend for some tea and chat. All welcome



Coming up.....

Sunday 30

6.30pm Advent Carol Service

Thursday 4 December

7.30pm Annual service for the renewal of ALM and Eucharistic Assistant licenses at St Thomas'

Saturday December 6

10.00am Christmas Market in the church hall.

Sunday 7

10.00am Toy Service

Monday 8

Open the Book Team visiting Old Swinford Primary School.

Tuesday 9

2.00pm Mothers' Union meeting in the Coach House.

Wednesday 10

Copy date for January magazine.

Friday 12

2.30pm Old Swinford Hospital School Carol Service in church

Saturday 13

7.30pm Got2Sing Concert in church

Sunday 14

4.30pm Christingle Service in church



We have a Facebook page. If you're a Facebook user and want to keep up to speed with events at St Mary's visit www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchOldswinford.





BRIERLEY HILL CHORAL SOCIETY

presents

A Christmas Concert

Lo, the Full, Final Sacrifice
& Magnificat
by Gerald Finzi
Traditional Choir & Audience Carols

Conductor : Tim Calloway
Organist - Richard Hall

St Michaels Church
Brierley Hill

Saturday December 6th 2014 at 7.30pm

Tickets: £8.50. From members of the Society
or telephone 01384 376354

Making
Music

Message from the Foodbank.....



Hi Everyone,

We have been inundated with requests about Advent Calendars and Selection Boxes and Christmas Food. So if anyone you know asks please pass on the message below - thanks!

Advent Calendars - we will be accepting them this year ...but we need them asap to get them out to the Centres in plenty of time. Ideally we need them before December so they are distributed before Advent begins.

Selection Boxes - we accept Selection Boxes but our cut off date for donating them is Friday 12th December so we can get them out to the Centres for the food parcels before the big day!

Christmas Food - we accept tinned and packets and again our cut off date for donations is Friday 12th December.

Shortages this week are.....

Fruit Juice
Milk
Coffee
Nappies, all sizes
Toilet Roll

Don't forget to keep donating clean and usable Men's Jumpers, to our clothing section at Black Country Foodbank. The weather is getting colder and our jumpers are going out every week to individuals in need. Donations can be dropped off at Albion Street, DY5 3EE, Monday to Friday 9.30am-2pm.

Thanks so much!