

## Church Flowers

After many years of faithfully organising flowers on a weekly basis, Doreen has suggested that this now be reduced to particular festivals. The challenges of weekly provision, coupled with the arrival of the new and vibrant wall panels and altar frontals, have led to a review of the way the flowers are managed. With that in mind, and after discussion with Doreen, I have agreed that flower arrangements will be provided on the following occasions;



MOTHERING SUNDAY

EASTER

HARVEST

COMMEMORATION SERVICE (first Sunday of November)

REMEMBRANCE (including the memorial area)

CHRISTMAS (including Market and the Lessons & Carols service)

Anyone requiring flowers for a Wedding Service or Funeral will be asked to take responsibility for their own arrangements.

This seems to be an appropriate opportunity to say how much we all appreciate the work of Doreen and her team. The frequency may now be reduced but their heart for this joyful ministry remains very much part of the life of this church, for which I am thankful.

**Rev Chris**

## Allington Community Christmas Market, Friday 16th Nov, 12noon-3pm

Cards and gifts with refreshments provided by Little Fant Farm pop up shop.

## Allington Millennium Green Wine & Wisdom, Sat 17th Nov,

7.30pm, St Nicholas Church Hall. £5 per head (incl nibbles)

Bring your own drink. 01622 756660



## Children's Clothes/Toys 2nd Hand Sale, Sunday 18th Nov, 1pm to 3pm

£10 per stall. Contact [community.recycle.contact@gmail.com](mailto:community.recycle.contact@gmail.com) for further information.

## Beer & Bangers Tasting Evening, Saturday 24th November,

7.30pm, St Nicholas Church Main Hall, FREE entry (collection for church re-ordering) Any queries to Sarah Lavender, 297307



## Christmas Raffle

Tickets are now on sale for our amazing Christmas Market Hamper Raffle. £1 a ticket, see Sarah in church or Jenny in Parish Office.

# From Suffering to Glory

Assurance of Things to Come

Romans 8:18-28

## St Nicholas' Church

### Sunday 11th November

#### Services and Events this Sunday

9.30am	Oasis
10.50am	Act of Remembrance
11.00am	Holy Communion
5.00pm	Taizé



#### and the week ahead

### Monday 12th November

8.30am	Morning Prayer
7.30pm	Pippin Discussion Group

### Tuesday 13th November

3.20pm	Palace Wood Explorers
7.30pm	The Bible Project

### Wednesday 14th November

8.30am	Morning Prayer
10.00am	Holy Communion
3.15pm	Allington Explorers
7.30pm	Evening Prayer

### Thursday 15th November

9.00am	 Prayer Space
2.30pm	Mothers' Union

### Saturday 17th November

11.00am	Messy Church
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### Sunday 18th November - 2nd before Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Oasis Communion



**\*The Church will be closed w/c 19th November; no prayer meetings or Wednesday Communion. Friday 23 Nov Bible Project, will take place in The Rectory**

### **Our Prayer for November**

'I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to Him as I rejoice in the Lord.' Psalm 104:33

As we come again to our heavenly Father, let's enter into His presence with praise. Help us to recognise that all we have comes from Him...He is totally dependable, righteous, His word is always the same, He wants us to be in fellowship with Him .He alone is worthy of our praise.

We give thanks for the glorious Summer, the abundance of the fruit crop. We give thanks also for the growth in the church-spiritual and numerical, for those taking part in the Bible Project, discussion groups, home groups. We ask the Lord to continue to help us grow, as individuals and as a church. We are disciples...called to bring the love of Jesus into the world. May we continue to bear fruit that will last. We pray for the success of the Christmas Market and the Christmas Tree Festival. Let them be a witness to the Community of the life of St. Nicholas. We know that a lot of local people come to events in the Church...we pray for each one of them that they may encounter the love of Jesus.

Jesus said:' Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.' Matthew 11:28.

There are so many around us who need that rest....help us to recognise them and bring the love of Jesus into their lives.

As winter approaches, we lift up all those who find the cold difficult...through financial hardship, homelessness, loneliness. We give thanks for all the agencies who offer help especially the Winter Shelter. Make us aware of any needs we can meet.

We pray for those Christians suffering persecution, who are living in bitterly cold conditions with little hope of aid other than through Western financed Christian aid agencies. We ask that fellow believers will give generously to relieve the suffering of these marginalised families. Let's give thanks for the love and concern of all those who reach out to support those in need. We are so blessed to have freedom from religious persecution. Help us to be mindful of that and to pray that it continues. On a global scale, we lift up to the Lord those leaders who make decisions on foreign policy which directly affects the treatment of the poorest in society. May they have wisdom as they impose trade sanctions etc. on countries where Christians and other minorities are outcasts and treated harshly. We pray especially for Iran where Christians by birth have been tolerated, but converts from Islam have been persecuted. As sanctions come into force, they are all going to suffer hardship and persecution. We pray for wisdom, compassion and justice as policies are implemented.

'The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.' Psalm103:6



### **Pray for the sick and anxious**

Tanay, Liz Boots, Anna, Carol Gray, Stephen Birt and Melvin.

### **Pray for those who have been bereaved over recent days**

**Pray for our Deanery** This month our prayer focus is on St Paul's.

**Pray for our Diocese** People & Clergy of Guernsey: St Peter Port Clergy : Matthew Barrett, Peter Graysmith

**Pray for our Residents** This week we focus on the residents and businesses in St Anne's Close, St Peter's Street and Scotney Gardens

**Pray for our Community** all at 1st Allington Guides

**Charity for the month of November** Open Doors



### **Cards Available**

Baptism, Sympathy, Thank You and Thinking of You cards for sale in the Prayer Corner, £1 each. Please put your payment in the wall safe in the entrance foyer.



**Christmas Cards** (in aid of Church Funds), available in packs of 5, £5 per pack, showing a beautiful photo of All Saint's stain glass window, taken by Paul & Carol.

Order sheet at the back of church or see Jenny in the Parish Office

### **Church Christmas Card Scheme...**

...will be running again this year... so what is it and how does it work?



It's a way of donating to charity and cutting down on the number of cards you need to buy, meaning the money you save can be donated to charity (Water Aid)

Sign the list at the back of church between 25th November and 8th December.

A card with each name on it is then placed at the back of church; you then sign all the cards (except the one with your name on!), and make a donation in the "Water Aid" bottle. Your completed card can be collected from the back of church from Sunday 16th December.

Please see Margaret & David Salvage for more information  
Tel. 672985 email: dm.salvage@btinternet.com



### **Church Heating Update - It's been confirmed!!\***

Heating installation commences 19th November.