



THE WEEK AHEAD

SATURDAY 29th

9.00 Morning Prayer by Zoom

SUNDAY 30th (All Saints' Sunday)

08.00 Said BCP Eucharist

10.00 Sung Benefice Eucharist,
Woodbridge

(livestream link:

<https://youtu.be/xKytFR72KsE>)

17.30 Evening Prayer

MONDAY 31st

10.00 Time to Reflect, **SMH**

TUESDAY 1st November

10.30-14.00 Poppy's Pantry open for coffee & cake, and lunch, in **SMH**. Please support this!

10.30 Communion at **Seckford Chapel**

11.15 Funeral service for Nigel Coleman

17.15 Meditation Group in **SMH**

19.00 PCC meeting, **SMH**

19.00 Bellringers practice, starting at 7pm for 'learners & returners' with general practice commencing at 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY 2nd

19.30 All Souls' Benefice Eucharist,
Woodbridge

THURSDAY 3rd

10.00 Said Eucharist, **Woodbridge**

18.30 Full Choir Rehearsal, **Woodbridge**

SATURDAY 29th

9.00 Morning Prayer by Zoom

SUNDAY 6th (3rd Sunday before Advent)

09.30 **Family Communion, Great Bealings**

11.00 Sung Benefice Eucharist,
Woodbridge

12.00 The Great Woodbridge Bake Off,
SMH

17.30 Evening Prayer

Readings for Sunday 6th November

2 Thessalonians 2. 1-5, 13-17

Luke 20. 27-38

NOTICES

THANK YOU - Jill Richardson and family would like to most warmly thank Father Nigel, the musicians, singers, technicians, vergers, and members of the congregation for their magnificent contribution to the Thanksgiving Service for the life of Amanda, celebrated in church last Thursday.

CALLING ALL KNITTERS in Woodbridge & Great Bealings. For our Christmas 'Charity Angel' stall from Advent Sunday, we are hoping you will use one of our knitting patterns! Please pop into the Parish Office to find out more (our thanks to Norman Porter for translating one of the German patterns!). This year our churches will be supporting Suffolk Refugee Support and East Anglia Children's Hospice.

BAKE-OFF COMPETITION - We need more entrants, and helpers on the day please, to serve tea and coffee, and sell cakes! The 'Bake Off' competition will take place on **Sunday 6th November** straight after the service (12-1pm) in **St. Mary's House**. All are invited - those who bake & those who enjoy baked goods! Participants can bake anything that falls into the categories of 'Sweet treats' or 'Savoury delights'. Junior bakers (those under the age of 16) are also encouraged to enter. Please attend on the day with your baked item(s) and your entry fee (£1). Fr Nigel will judge on the day and bakes will be available for tasting and purchasing. **Please contact Rachel Wade ASAP** rachel_mayes@outlook.com

ALL SOULS' DAY – Our Sung Requiem Eucharist will be on **Wednesday 2nd November** at **7.30pm**. As before, all those who have lost loved ones in the last year will be specially invited. Everyone will be able to light their own candles too, for family or friends we miss.

MOTHERS' UNION - our next meeting is on **Thursday 10th November** at **2:30pm in SMH**. We will be basing the meeting on 'Prayers and Meditation to support 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence'. As always you are warmly invited to any of our meetings.

HANDYMAN – St Mary's House, in particular, is looking for someone who is available in the day, who can help out voluntarily with anything from changing light bulbs, reading the meters, or fixing a leaking tap. Could that person be you? Please have a word with Michelle Bullard.

CHILDCARE – Every Thursday, in the Small Hall, there is a little group of Ukrainian children who need friendly supervision and games, between 6pm and 7.30pm. If you would like to join our rota, please have a word with Caroline Hawksley.



OUR BENEFICE CHRISTMAS MARKET will be held from **3-5 pm** on **Saturday 26th November**. There will be gifts, foods, decorations, raffle, competitions, some trade stalls, mulled wine, mince pies and much, much more! Help is needed to set up, run activities, clear up etc etc. and, to create angels - knitted, biscuits, in any way you like - to help launch the Diocesan 'Angels' initiative locally, Please support in all the ways you can! Sign up on the sheets at the back of church ... and ... please consider donating some of the following:

- Chocolate (any size / shape)
- Cakes / preserves
- Christmas / celebration Puddings (any size / shape)
- Bottles of Wine
- Hampers
- Tombola Prizes
- Candles
- Pre-loved Jewellery / accessories
- Re-Gift, Re-Use, Re-Cycle Items: Household, Stationery, Good Quality Books, Pampering, Toiletries, etc!
- Knitted Angels (patterns available from the Parish Office, if required)
- Angels – Biscuits

P.S. If you are able to make Angel biscuits, only five cutters are left, but may be obtained from Barbara Stear (suggested donation is their cost of £2-00). She will have them in church after the 10 am service, or - to secure one - do contact her directly!

CHURCH SHOP NEWS - The shop has a 15 drawer A4 filing cabinet which is no longer needed. Any reasonable offer will be considered!

Get Ready for Christmas! The shop now has Advent candles, and soon also will hold the ever popular chocolate Advent calendars and beautiful classic Advent calendars. In addition, some Christmas cards will be available too with more arriving over the coming weeks. We hope you will continue to support the Church shop - thank you!

LEARN TO RING BELLS FOR THE CORONATION - If anyone would like to learn to ring our bells in time for King Charles III Coronation would they contact the Tower Captain Dr Bruce Wakefield, or come to one of our practices at **7pm on Tuesdays**. You do not need to be strong or musical, just enjoy good company.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Among the recently departed, we pray for the souls of: Nigel Coleman and Amanda Slade.

OUR PRAYER FOR THE WEEK (COLLECT)

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us
near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made
perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in
heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Please contact the Benefice Office for all Baptism, Wedding and Funeral enquiries, and enquiries regarding bookings for the church or St Mary's House, on 01394 388820 or parish.office@stmaryswoodbridge.org

Benefice Office Opening Hours are Tuesday 12-4pm, and Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 9am-2pm.

To contact the Rector, Fr Nigel Prior, please call 01394 610424 or email rector@stmaryswoodbridge.org

Please note the Rector's day off is Wednesday.

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