

## **ON THIS WEEK**

### **MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

10.-00am Home Worship at 137 High Street  
12.00pm Funeral of Frank Barker in Church  
7.30pm Revd Diane meeting

### **TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

9.30am Tuesday Tots in the ARK  
11.00am Prayer group meeting **in Church**  
12.30pm Revd Diane Chapter meeting  
2.30pm Revd Diane meeting

### **WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

9.30am Revd Diane at Rural Deans meeting  
with the Archdeacon  
6.45 Growing in God Roadshow at Combs

### **THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

10.30am Christians Together at Christchurch  
“Reflect and Remember”  
7.30pm Resourcing Church meeting at The  
Rectory

### **SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

4.00pm Revd Diane rehearsal for  
Remembrance service at the Centre

### **SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**

#### **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

9.00am Said Eucharist in church  
10.45am REMEMBRANCE SERVICE at the  
COMMUNITY CENTRE followed by  
LAYING OF WREATHS at the BURIAL  
GROUND

### **MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

6.30pm Mediation group meet at 43 Barking  
Road (note a week early)

## **CONTACTS**

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## **Please include in your prayers**

-Madge and Iris;  
-Ruth and family  
-the Ruby family, especially for Linda  
- Roland’s mother Lore and for Roland  
and Allison  
-Lisa  
- all those recently bereaved especially  
the people of Leicester, the families of  
the plane crash in Indonesia and the  
synagogue murders in America  
-all those still living with the devastation  
of recent winds and flooding.  
-for those who, through war and famine  
must watch their children die.  
-now the cold weather is here for the  
people who run the night shelter and  
those to need to use it.  
Give them your peace and comfort.  
-may all leaders and heads of state take  
wise advice and act responsibly for the  
well being of all.  
-for those involved in the Rural  
Resourcing Church initiative

*We also pray for the many names that  
appear on our prayer board and all  
those who are suffering in mind, body  
and spirit, for those who are in pain  
and distress and for those who care for  
loved ones. Give skills to doctors and  
nurses and patience to all those who  
care for invalids.*

-as we celebrate the lives of those  
Church members who have shone with  
the brightness of your love, we offer you  
ourselves and our lives in fresh  
commitment and conscious awareness of  
our need for you in this parish and as  
individual Christians.

**St. John the Baptist Church  
Needham Market.**

### **SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** **4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT** **ALL SAINT’S DAY**

8.00am Said Eucharist  
10.00am All Age Worship  
4.00pm All Souls Service in Church  
7.00pm Young people meet in the ARK

#### **Readings – said Eucharist**

Isaiah Ch25 v6-9	pg708
Revelation Ch21 v1-6a	pg1249
John Ch11 v32-44	pg1078

#### **Hymns – All age Worship**

125	Come on and celebrate
1	Abba, Father
850	Jesus love is very wonderful
216	God is love
819	He’s got the whole world
766	You shall go out with joy

#### **Collect**

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect in one  
communion and fellowship in the mystical body  
of your Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to  
follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and  
godly living, that we may come to those  
inexpressible joys that you have prepared for  
those who truly love you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God now and forever Amen

**SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 10.00am**  
**– 12.30pm Christmas Fayre and Coffee**  
**Morning at the Community Centre**

Thank you to all those who have come forward to run stalls and help.

We are in need of help for refreshments or to run the raffle. Kate Dines has put her name down for refreshments but will need a couple of helpers. I can help her but it means someone needs to replace me at the raffle table.

We also need cakes, buns etc to be made and donated for the cake stall and we need cakes, mince pies, and any other Christmas treats you can think of to sell with the refreshments.

So please do think of what you can contribute and let me know because without your help we won't have much of a Christmas Fayre.

**STALL HOLDERS REQUESTING**  
**DONATIONS for their STALLS**

Wendy is running a **Toiletries stall** and she would be grateful for any donations, perhaps unwanted gifts or unused shower gel, hand cream, body lotions or cosmetics etc. Please note that items must be new and unused and if possible in their original box.

We will need prizes for the **Raffle stall** – only new items please or unwanted gifts. Josee and her family from Holland are running a **Quality Bric-a-brac stall**. As the name suggests only good quality items please we do not want to turn this into a jumble sale,

I am sorry if I sound pedantic over this but we want this to be a success so that people will remember it and come again next year.

**Please speak to me for any further**  
**details Thank you Carol Long**

**SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER**

The town will be holding a Street Fayre on this Sunday so we are looking for volunteers to “man” the church to welcome visitors and offer refreshments between the service and the concert.

***Rota on notice board please sign up. If we do not get enough volunteers to help then we will not be able to serve refreshments or show people what has been going on in the church.***

**SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 3.30pm**  
**Castleton Brass Christmas Concert in Church**

This concert is always enjoyable and a good way to start the Christmas festivities

Tickets will be £5 each and available on the door.

**HOME WORSHIP** Monday 5<sup>th</sup>  
November 10.00am 137 High Street  
led by Helen Woodroffe, Diocesan  
Officer for children All Welcome

**BIBLE STUDY AND**  
**FELLOWSHIP GROUP** the group met last Thursday for the final chapters of Job. We saw how despite all his questions and his attempts to understand God Job came afresh to a realisation of God's greatness and the need to trust in him and him alone.

With the Resourcing Church meetings and the Growing in God Roadshow over the coming weeks no date was set for the next meeting when we will begin looking at a new topic. This will probably be in the New Year

**From the Vicarage**

There is a great deal of thinking, praying, planning and working to grow the Church in this diocese going on, with our Diocesan Growing in God strategy at the heart of it all. The Growing in God strategy has four strands to it - you will have heard all this in the past – with growing in depth, growing in influence, growing in number and growing younger the key elements

We are encouraged continually to reflect on how our ministry and mission are enabling these four strands and over two years ago we set our three key aims for our church under this process - to grow in depth (by undertaking more Bible study and fellowship), to grow in influence (by producing attractive publicity and information material) and to look at our baptism resources, preparation and the baptism service (again something we have worked at.)

On **WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** the diocese is holding a **Growing in God Roadshow** for Bosmere and Stowmarket Deaneries, at Trinity School, Lavenham Way Combs beginning at 6.45 and finishing at about 9.15. **SEE THE POSTER FOR MORE INFO**

A number of workshops will be offered on a whole range of areas and all attending will be invited to attend two of these. There will also be worship and some teaching and lots of resources and ideas available –and cake (if anyone is willing to bake a cake for this let me know)

This is for everybody – all are invited to attend and I look forward to a good attendance from St John's. Out of this, and further discussions, will come our targets as a Church for the next two years, so it is important. Diane