

ASW – 26th Nov 2016

2018: All Saints Diaries are now available at the back of the church - £1 donation. They make great stocking fillers and a very handy size for everyday use. _

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MESSY CHURCH: 2nd December, 3:30 – 5:30pm. We will be making lots of fun things associated with Christmas, including Christingles for the Christingle Service. Any extra help on Saturday would be appreciated._

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ALL SAINTS QUIZ NIGHT: a date for the diary – 3rd February 7pm at The Clockhouse. We are looking for teams of up to 8 people per table. There will be a hot main course, a licensed bar, raffle and a good time had by all. Please contact Elizabeth Gibbs on 01483 577108 or 07747 418992 for further information. _

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HELP NEEDED: The Pastoral Assistant's take a short service at the 2 homes in the parish (Surrey Hills and Surrey Heights). We sing a few hymns and have a reading and some prayers. On Monday December 11th, Valerie has to do this on her own. Please can we have a volunteer to operate the CD player for her? It is easy to do! Time from 11am to 12.15pm. Please speak to Valerie Herring or Jane Swift. Thank you._

GODALMING COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR: invite you to join them for a very special Christmas celebration on Saturday 16th December 2017 at 7pm at St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church, Godalming. The guest soloist will be Anu Omideyi, who is a singer, song writer, broadcaster and award-winning choir director. Entry is free.

POPPY COLLECTION RESULTS: Once again the residents in Witley have been supremely generous in donating to the British Legion Poppy Appeal. The breakdown of the total amount collected is as follows:

Door to Door Collection	
including gift aid	£4483.40
The static point Collection	£3437.85
Sale of wreaths and crosses	£ 297.00
All Saints Church Collection	
including gift aid	£ 458.90
Total	£8677.15

Gift Aid is the amount of money a charity can reclaim as a result of donations from tax payers. This year the value of gift aid to the collection amounted to £418.2 so it is really worthwhile of going to the trouble of completing all the gift aid forms and thank you to all those collectors who returned forms and thank you to everybody who completed them.

This is a wonderful result and a very large thank you to everyone who contributed.

THE BATTLEFIELD: Our head chorister, Charlotte was moved to write the following poem, which we would like to share.

Death and fear up in the air
his cloak sweeps the battlefield clean,
the field now the Devils lair
where he works unseen.

Sadness loomed the eerie place
while people in the church just said,
what is this what a disgrace
you don't deserve holy bread.

130th BIRTHDAY: Ecclesiastical, All Saints Insurance Company, are 130 years old and to celebrate are offering All Saints Witley £130 for every new home insurance policy taken out by Church family members and friends (for a limited period). Please contact the website or phone number on the poster to be found on the Church Noticeboard. Make sure you quote '**TRUST130**'

TUESDAY COMMUNION: Every Tuesday at 10.00am there is a said communion service at St. John's Milford where everyone is always welcome.

SURREY HILLS CHAMBER CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERTS: The award-winning Surrey Hills Chamber Choir performs its annual Christmas Candlelit Concert in St Nicolas Church, Guildford on Sunday 10 December at 8.00pm. Tickets (£12) to include wine and refreshments are available from www.surreyhills-choirs.co.uk or from Christine Parrott who sings with the choir.

ADVENT QUIET DAY AND CHRISTIAN TOUR OF IRELAND: The Revd. Haydon Wilcox at St. Columba's House, Woking will lead an Advent Quiet Day on Monday 4th December. The cost £25 inclusive of lunch.

Tel. 01483 766498 or book on line at <http://stcolumbushouse.org.uk/event/advent-quiet-day/>

AWAY IN A MANGER FOR ADULTS: On Saturday 2nd December from 10am to 4pm at Ladywell Convent, GU7 1ST, there is an opportunity to reflect and rediscover the Christmas season before the busyness takes over. Cost £25 per person including lunch and refreshments. Please contact Sally Pollard: pollard3@hotmail.co.uk or Janet Fry: janetfry1@gmail.com CLOSING DATE WAS 10th NOVEMBER!!!

SEVEN LAWS FOR LIFE: on Saturday 20th January from 10am to 1pm at Godalming Baptist Church. Contact details as above.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK:

Tues 28th 8.45am Pop-up Coffee
8.00pm Band Practice

Wed 29th 10.15-11.30am CAMEO
6.00pm Witley Infants Bedtime Stories

Fri 1st 9.00-10.30am Little Saints
11.00am Holy Communion
6.15-9.00pm Choir Practice

Sat 2nd 3.30-5.30pm Messy Church with Christingle Service

Sun 3rd 8.00am Holy Communion
9.45am All Saints Together, followed by coffee

FORTHCOMING:

SUNDAY 17TH DECEMBER NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS