

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church.

A member of "Christ the King" team ministry.

Week Commencing 5th November 2017.

Happy are those who are merciful to others; God will be merciful to them! Matthew 5 verse 7

Fr Michael Bartlett – Team Rector.
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Today's Service for Sunday 5th November, 21st Sunday after Trinity

9.00am said Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer) led by Father Glenn
10.30am Family Service led by Irene.
4pm All Souls Service at The Bridge

Services for W/C 5th November

12 noon Monday 6th, mid-day prayers
10.00am Tuesday 7th, said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel led by Father Glenn
Sunday 12th November Remembrance Sunday (3rd Sunday before Advent)
10.00 am Service led by The British Legion
Log onto our website for more information.

www.astwoodbankchurch.org.uk

'Spotlight' Notices: Please give notices for inclusion in next week's issue to **Richard Porteous** by next Thursday on 01527 542620 or at richardporteous@yahoo.co.uk

We pray for those who are sick:- Mick Bolt, Philippa Kreuser, Alex, Karen & Dale Roberts, Colin & Alison Daines, Marion Lee, Edna Weale, Jean Lees, Duncan Glover, Kate Vicos, Joyce Thomas, Margaret Emms, Alexie & Bettina, and Marion Williams together with their families.

We pray for the soul of Elaine Pemberton, recently departed.

The next meeting of the **The Art Club** will be in the hall on **Thursday 16th November** between 3.15 - 4.45 pm. Tell your friends!

Nightstop foodbank: There is a box at the rear of the church in which you can place your gifts. Can we perhaps make this a regular part of our weekly shop?

Prayer Chain: Pauline Jones is the Prayer Chain contact. If you have someone who you wish to be prayed for, please contact Pauline on 892650 who will then contact other members of the Prayer Group.

Christmas Fayre: Saturday 9th December
This year's fayre will include a decorated Christmas Tree competition. Everyone is welcome to enter which will have the theme of 'Christmas Carols.'

Pauline Jones is on the hunt for any old or newish pottery pots for planting daffodil bulbs. Can you help?

All Souls Service – 4.00pm today at The Bridge

At this service we remember those who have died, give thanks for their lives and reflect on God's love for each of us.

Stamps: Please remember to save any stamps from Christmas cards and give them to Pam Emery who collects them for the Alex Hospital. Please put them in the box at the back of the church or in an envelope through her letterbox.

Confirmation: We pray for **Charlotte Flower, Ross Harrison, Lilly Hill, Lauren Parkes and Toby Reading** as they prepare for their Confirmation in the New Year.

'Remember, remember, the 5th of November': If you watched the recent TV programme 'Gunpowder', I'm sure you would have been sickened by the harrowing scenes of torture and public execution that Catholics suffered during the reign of James 1st. We must also remember that similar treatment was meted out to Protestants during the reign of Queen Mary. *On this Bonfire Night we pray for the souls of all those killed for holding onto their Christian beliefs. We pray that all Christians will, one day, come together in true unity.*

