

Christ Church and St Mark's

Parish Information Sheet for October and November 2016





Lift Off!

Our Regular Activities

See www.liftoff.org.uk or contact Claire Locke (see back page)

Explorers Sunday School

Where: St Marks Church, Leggatts Way When: Mondays 3:45pm - 4:45pm Who: Children aged 5- 10 years old

How Much: Free

Explorers gives children the chance to hear bible stories, do crafts, sing songs and play games. Cafe is available from 3:30pm in the next hall for parents who want to wait, as well as activities for siblings.

Messy Breakfast Toddler group for all the family Where: 2nd Saturday each month at St Marks

Church, Leggatts Way, WD24 5NQ

Where: 3rd Saturday each month at Christ Church,

St Albans Road, WD24 5BD When: 9:30 - 11:00am

Who: Aimed at children under 5's but all welcome

How Much: Free (donations welcome)

Messy Breakfast is a Saturday Morning toddler group for all, but inspired by parents who work and can't attend toddler groups during the week. We offer breakfast foods alongside toys, crafts and songs for the children.

Messy Tots Toddler group

Where: St Marks Church, Leggatts Way

When: Tuesdays 9:30 - 11:00 Who: Children aged 5 and under.

How Much: £1 per head (adults and children)
Messy Tots offer refreshments for adults and snacks
for children. There are also lots of toys, including
bikes and soft play, as well as crafts and songs.

Gardening Club

Where: Vicarage Garden, Leggatts Way, WD24 5NQ When: 2nd and 4th Friday each month 4:30 - 6:00pm

Who: Anyone

How Much: Free (donations welcome)

Garden Club only runs from April to October.

We provide an opportunity for children to plant, water and grow fruit and veg. Refreshments are provided

for all.

Art Club

Where: Christ Church, St Albans Road, WD24 5BD When: 4th Friday each month 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Who: Anyone

How Much: Free (donations welcome)
Art Club only runs from November to March.

We provide an opportunity for children to make, paint and create. Plus the parents don't have to clear up.

Refreshments are provided for all.

Film Club

Where: Christ Church, St Albans Road, WD24 5BD When: 2nd Friday each month 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Who: Anyone

How Much: Free (donations welcome)

Film Club only runs **from November to March**. We provide an opportunity for children to watch a film on our big screen. Refreshments and popcorn are

provided for all.

Games Club

Where: Christ Church, St Albans Road, WD24 5BD When: 3rd Friday each month 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Who: Children aged under 11 years

How Much: Free (donations welcome)

Games club is an opportunity for families to come together and play games. We have a table tennis table, pool table and football table plus a selection of

board games. We also serve refreshments.

Lift Off! Holiday Club – 24th & 25th October at St Andrews Church, Church Road, WD17 4PY 9:30am-2:30pm

30 spaces are available for booking: spaces are on a first come first basis.

The holiday club is for children aged 5-10 years old and runs between 9:30 till 2:30. Children will need to bring a packed lunch.

A typical holiday club day consists of songs, crafts, games and a bible stories based on themes. Holiday Clubs run during each of the school holidays.

Congratulations Shirley

Thank you for your prayers, support and interest for the past 5 years as I studied for my BA (Hons) Counselling degree; as you can see I made it!

Shirley Lewens

Kwa Mkono Quiz

7.00 for 7.30 pm on Saturday 22nd October 2016 at Christ Church.

It will cost £8.00 including a ploughman's supper and tea or coffee in the interval. (Bring your own drinks and glasses.)

There will be a raffle, sale table and an update on Kwa Mkono. Calendars will be on sale at £7.00 each.

Could people let us know if they are coming as this helps with catering.

Tel no: 01494 258648, email: kwamkono@gmail.com

Remember all profits go to benefit the disabled children at the hostel in Tanzania.

A collection box will be available if anyone would be interested in helping us to buy new metal play items for the children, swings, slide, climbing frame and see saw, the old ones were wood and have now collapsed.



MEMORIAL SERVICE 2016

Our annual Memorial Service will take place in Christ Church on Sunday 30th October at 3pm. The service is a time when we deliberately remember with thanksgiving those we have known and loved who have died. Invitations will soon be sent to a relative of all those for whom a minister in the parish has conducted a funeral service, but everyone is invited to this memorial service whether or not they have received a letter. If you would like to have the name/s read out of someone who has died, whether or not you can come, please complete this form and give it to the Sidesmen, e-mail it to ccwatford@btinternet.com or post it to The Parish Office, St Mark's Church, Leggatts Way, Watford, WD24 5NQ

Please read out the following	g names at the Mem	norial Service (please write in BLOCK CAPITA	LS)
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'The knock-on effect of debt is so destructive.

People's lives are torn apart, their families are damaged.'

The Archbishop of Canterbury

The Archbishop of Canterbury has taken a very public stance on the need for a more just financial system, where everyone has access to essential financial services, and is not exploited. Justin Welby has, through a generous gift of money, planted a seed to kick start the Appeal.

The Archbishop has asked Church Urban Fund to develop the Just Finance Network, to deliver essential financial services, training and support across England. And we already have a track record of successful trials carried out in London and Liverpool.

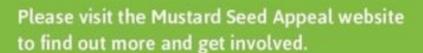
Working with local churches, the Just Finance Network will train volunteers to support people struggling with debt, promote budgeting skills, champion credit unions, support community-led finance initiatives and join in with the bigger conversation about building a just financial system.

This is a significant opportunity for the church to challenge the current nature of our financial system.

Will you help with a gift today to enable the national roll out of this vital initiative? Together we can grow the seed of an idea into a real movement for positive change. Thank you.

Canon Paul Hackwood
Executive Director





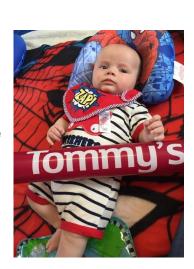
www.mustardseedappeal.org.uk



Superhero Sensathon in aid of Tommy's, the baby charity.

Baby Sensory classes at Christ Church, with the classes all over the country, raised over £400,000 for the baby charity.

Tommy's charity funds research into pregnancy problems and provides pregnancy health information to parents.



Greetings from Bishop Wilson Kamani.

In spite of the uncertain situation in our country lbba is calm though for people life is a state of fear. My wife and children were in Juba when the fight erupted. It was a difficult experience for all of them because unusual sound of guns were heard and there was nowhere to run to for hiding all were kept indoors.

I am glad to inform you that our partnership with Christ Church and St Marks Parish is strong. Our training Centre named after Christ Church is operational offering computer training and an Intensive English course for the drop out students. We also have 10 pastoral students who are undergoing their training for two years and will be ordained to work in our parishes.

We have another project of a construction of a new Cathedral (shown right).

Due to the political uncertainties my wife has never come to lbba for the last one and half years, so I have a plan for her and one of our children to come over to Ibba in December, I don't know how practical this plan will work because the road between Ibba and Juba is inaccessible by land due to the insecurity on the road, this is an area for prayer.

Thanks and God bless Bp Wilson Kamani Diocese of Ibba South Sudan

2.00pm

Join us for a Cuppa - Shirley would like to thank everyone who came and supported the Afternoon Teas at St Mark's, which raised £86.89 for Bishop Wilson in South Sudan.





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9th Sun 9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mark's
9th Sun 11.00am	Parish Communion and Baptism at Christ Church
9th Sun 6.30pm	Evening Worship at St Mark's
10th Mon 12.40- 2.00pm	Lunch & Bible Study at St Mark's. Bread, cheese, soup lunch from 12.45pm. Bible Study starts at 1.15pm. Everyone welcome. More details from Duncan
11th Tue 7.45 for 8.00pm start	Gather RoundLadies at Christ Church. Magistrates Peter Spencer and Gladys Cummings are returning to talk about family law.
12th Wed 10.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church
16th Sun 8.00am	Holy Communion at Christ Church, followed by breakfast
16th Sun 9.30am	Parish Communion at St Mark's
16th Sun 11.00am	Morning Prayer at Christ Church
16th Sun 12.00noon	Fairtrade Stall after the service at Christ Church
16th Sun 4.00- 6.00pm	Messy Church at Christ Church
17th Mon 12.40-	Lunch & Bible Study at St Mark's, Bread, cheese, soup lunch from

12.45pm. Bible Study starts at 1.15pm. Everyone welcome. More details

DATES IN OCTOBER 2016

from Duncan

18th Tue 2.30pm

Tuesday Circle: Hearing Dogs

18th Tue 7.30pm

PCC Meeting at Christ Church

19th Wed 10.00am

Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church

22nd Sat 7.30am

Men's Breakfast at St Mark's

	DATES IN OCTOBER contd
22nd Sat 7.00 for	Kwa Mkono Quiz at Christ Church. £8 a head to include "ploughman's"
7.30pm	supper with tea or coffee in the interval. Please bring your own drinks. To include raffle, sale table and an update on Kwa Mkono
23rd Sun 9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mark's
23rd Sun 11.00am	Parish Communion at Christ Church
23rd Sun 6.30pm	Evening Worship at Christ Church
24th Mon 12.40- 2.00pm	Lunch & Bible Study at St Mark's. Bread, cheese, soup lunch from 12.45pm. Bible Study starts at 1.15pm. Everyone welcome. More details from Duncan
26th Wed 10.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church
26th Wed 7.30pm	Prayer Meeting at 26 Hollytree House
30th Sun 10.30am	Joint Parish Communion at St Mark's
30th Sun 3.00pm	Memorial Service at Christ Church (There will be no other afternoon or evening service in the parish)

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	DATES IN NOVEMBER 2016
2nd Wed 10.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church
2nd Wed 11.00am	Morning worship at Courtland Lodge
5th Sat 10.00am- 12.00noon	Coffee, Tea & Cakes in Christ Church
6th Sun 8.00am	Holy Communion at Christ Church
6th Sun 9.30am	Parish Communion at St Mark's.
6th Sun 10.30am	Fairtrade Stall after the service at St Mark's
6th Sun 11.00am	Service of the Word at Christ Church
6th Sun 4.00pm	Afternoon worship in Hollytree House Lounge
8th Tue 7.45 for 8.00pm	Gather RoundLadies in Christ Church hall
9th Wed 10.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church
13th Sun	Remembrance Sunday
13th Sun 9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mark's
13th Sun <u>10.55am</u>	Parish Communion and Sunday School at Christ Church. Please note early start
13th Sun 6.30pm	Evening Worship at St Mark's
15th Tue 2.30pm	Tuesday Circle at St Mark's: Making Christmas Cards
16th Wed 10.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church
19th Sat 11.00am-2.00pm	Christmas Fayre at Christ Church
20th Sun 8.00am	Holy Communion at Christ Church, followed by breakfast
20th Sun 9.30am	Parish Communion at St Mark's
20th Sun 11.00am	Morning Prayer at Christ Church
20th Sun 12.00noon	Fairtrade Stall after the service at Christ Church
20th Sun 4.00-6.00pm	Messy Church at Christ Church
23rd Wed 10.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church
23rd Wed 7.30pm	St Mark's Monthly Prayer Meeting at 26 Hollytree House
26th Sat 7.30am	Men's Breakfast at St Mark's
27th Sun 9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mark's
27th Sun 11.00am	Parish Communion at Christ Church

Evening Worship at Christ Church

Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church

27th Sun 6.30pm

30th Wed 10.00am

CHRIST CHURCH & ST MARK'S, WATFORD MISSION STATEMENT

WE ARE people who are drawn together by our Christian belief and our response to God.

WE BELIEVE that God reveals himself to us in many ways as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and that people can live in a loving relationship with God and with each other in Christ.

WE AIM to follow Christ's teaching and example, living a full life in every community in which we are involved, sharing our faith with others through example, worship and service.

We are a Fairtrade parish.

We use only fairly traded tea and coffee at our church events. Fairtrade stalls are held after the main morning services:

- at St Mark's on the 1st Sunday in the month and
- at Christ Church on the 3rd Sunday in the month.



DIGITAL PARISH INFORMATION SHEET

The <u>full colour version</u> of the current Information Sheet is available from our website: www.christchurchandstmarkswatford.org.uk, or contact the office to receive a copy by email.

NEXT EDITION

The next edition of the Information Sheet will be published at the beginning of December, to cover all events in December and January.

If you have any dates or information for inclusion, please send them to the Parish Office.

Send in your articles, dates or information either:

In written format and put through the Parish Office letter box by 21st November, or

Via email to **ccwatford@btinternet.com**, or

Simply telephone Lynne on 01923 681972 to discuss options.

www.christchurchandstmarkswatford.org.uk

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