

Today

'Building for the Future' Gift Day response. If you have forgotten to bring your response today, it's not too late, please get it to the Parish Office as soon as you can this week.

This Week

Nov 14-15 Men's Weekend at Home with Colin Tamplin as our speaker. Friday evening to Saturday evening at St Wulstan's. Book **today** with Rob Davies.

Looking Ahead

Tues 18 Nov Parochial Church Council meeting, 7.45pm at St Wulstan's

Sat 22 Nov Maintenance Day. A day to help out practically with the church buildings. Come down to St Wulstan's at any time between 10.00am and 1.00pm with brushes and shovels if you have any. We will be working on the grounds at St Stephen's too, so it would be great to have as many pairs of hands as possible.

Fri 28 Nov Christmas Craft Evening. Christmas ring making with nibbles and mulled wine, with the chance to hear a Christian's view on Christmas. 7.30pm-9.15pm at St Wulstan's. Doors will not open before 7.30pm. See Jem Huggins for tickets. This popular event is sold on a first come first served basis, and your place is secured by payment.

Sun 30 Nov Suffering Church Sunday. Speaker from Barnabas Fund with a Bring and Share Lunch afterwards- everybody welcome!

Sat 6 Dec Christmas Advent-ure. Come and join us in the countdown to Christmas. Fun for the whole church family. 2.30-4.00pm at St Wulstans. Fill in a registration form & return it to Helen Buckley.

Mon 15 Dec Carols for Samuel Thornhill. 5.00pm at his house. Please put the date in your diary, and look out for more details in the next few weeks.

Christmas Services

Carol Services. If you can read music and would like to be involved in the carol services, please speak to Cordelia and note down the following dates and times for musical rehearsals: Nov 27th at 8.15pm, Dec 5th at 8pm, Dec 7th at 4.45pm, Dec 16th at 8.15pm and Dec 21st at 4.45pm.

News, Notices and Requests

Building for the Future news. Please continue to pray hard about the Gift Day and the Phase 2 Petition. It will be wonderful if we can both raise the funds we need, and also obtain approval to start work on the church.

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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK



taking Jesus seriously, taking the Bible seriously

Welcome

9th November 2014

If you are new, please say 'hello' and pick up a Welcome booklet at the back of Church.

10.00am Morning Service with Act of Remembrance

'God to the rescue' (Luke 1:39-56) – Chris Hobbs

Children and young people will go to their activities part way through the service:

0-3's Crèche is in the back room, please collect your child during the final song.

3-11's Will be taken to the Medical Centre across the road, and be brought back at the end of the service.

11-14's will meet at the back and be taken to 9 Serpentine Road, they will be brought back at the end of the service.

Toilets are in the foyer, baby-changing facilities are in the disabled toilet.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service.

6.00pm Evening Service with Holy Communion

'Our master's voice' (Psalm 29) – John McNeill

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service.

Sermon notes God to the rescue Luke 1:39-56

Rejoice in God your Saviour!

1. Rejoice in God's character (v48-49)

2. Rejoice in God's salvation (v51-53)

3. Rejoice in God's promises (v54-55)

OPENING PRAYER *led by Chris Porter*

HYMN Tell out my soul

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

COLLECT for Remembrance Sunday

SONG For God so loved the world

COLLECTION of Gift Day responses

NOTICES

Children and young people leave for their activities

BIBLE READINGS 1 Samuel 2:1-11 (page 272), Luke 1:39-56 (page 1026)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON God to the rescue

SONG To God be the glory

THE APOSTLES' CREED

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

SONG There is a hope

PRAYERS ending with the THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SONG Oh, the mercy of God
Please collect your child from crèche

CLOSING PRAYER

COLLECTION Gifts may be placed in the Gifts box at the back