

THE OTHER SIDE

All Saints
Marlow



12th November 2017 – Remembrance Sunday

08.00 Holy Communion (said)
09.15 Holy Communion (sung)
10.45 Remembrance Service in The Causeway
17.30 Evensong
19.00 Informal Evening Service

Roland Slade & Graham Watts
Gabrielle Smith & Dave Bull
Dave Bull
John Smith
Gill Taylor

We are ordinary people led by an extraordinary God, whose love inspires us to welcome everyone, serve our communities and grow as we follow Jesus together

Helpers/servers needed for Alpha supper - Tuesday November 14th We need a team of 3 people to help serve and clear away the Alpha supper on 14th November. The food will be provided. Please contact Linda Cassidy 01628 485 087 or email linda.severn@gmail.com

BARCLAY'S BANK MARLOW have very generously offered to collect food for needy families in Lane End and, if successful, 4 more branches will also launch the appeal in the run up to Christmas. If you are passing Barclay's at the top of the High Street, any food items dropped into the shopping trolley in the Bank will be gratefully received.

Pop Up Cinema

We are planning to hold a Pop-Up Cinema in the church on 19th and 20th December, which is being run by Brand Events. We will share further details as soon as we have them. We see this as a very positive way for our church to engage in the community by inviting a large number of people into our building for a social event; we think this will certainly prompt a reappraisal of the church by people who never come across the church normally; we will also be raising £500 for church funds. Please contact Dave, Julie or Ruth if you would like to discuss this further.

Church Lunch Sunday 26 November 12.30pm in the Church Hall. Please contact Eve Bunt for details tel 07850 594229 email evebunt@aol.com

Church Forum

The next Church Forum will take place on Sunday 4th February 2018 at 7 pm. This is a change from the original advertised date. More details coming soon.

Marlow Refugee Action Group – THANK YOU for all the goods and money donated to our winter appeal at Chris Church URC on Sunday 5th November. We had a wonderful response – over 110 boxes of sorted and packed aid were transferred up to the High Wycombe store. These will be on the way to Calais and Syria within the next two weeks. And we raised over £200 towards our Winter Boots appeal, which has now reached over £1000 in total. It was lovely to see many faces from ASM and the 4U team dropping to help, we really appreciate your support. We are taking a bit of a breather now and will be back with news of our next appeal in a few weeks. For more info vanessa.faulkner2@gmail.com

HELP WANTED

The Marlow Team Sleepout is on 24th November. For the event to take place we need:

Stewards who are prepared to be on duty in 2 hour shifts from 11pm until the sleepout finishes about 7:30am

A **catering team** prepared to cook breakfast between 6:30am and 7:30am for our 'rough sleepers'

If you are willing to help to make this event as successful as previous sleepouts please email Muriel at muriel.reynolds@4u-team.org or ring 473020. And don't forget you can always take part in the sleepout by joining others in the churchyard to sleep rough in aid of Wycombe Homeless Connection (advance registration required) or sponsor someone who is.

Please could any information for The Other Side be sent to the Parish Office by 9am on Wednesdays. Many thanks

In the coming week

Saturday 18th November at 9.00 am. There will be an opportunity to pray for the life and work of our church and Parish for 30 mins. As we consider the way forward and our vision priorities what a great opportunity to come together and pray! Do come and join us.

Romania Mission Trip

If you want to meet the team, see photos from their trip and hear more about the Smiles Foundation, there is a presentation on **Saturday 18th November at 7pm (in the church).**

Other notices

SUMMARY OF CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: OCTOBER 23rd

Lady Chapel altar - Following a visit from the DAC, we are now awaiting faculty approval to purchase the new altar.

- **Charitable giving** - We have set up a team to manage the funds available for charitable giving. We approved a new document which explains what charitable giving is and an application form for anyone wishing to approach the church council to put forward a charity or mission that we may like to consider to contribute towards.
- **Narthex development** - This continues to move forward. The formal application to the DAC has been submitted. We are also preparing tender documents ready to approach contractors and obtain price quotes.
- **Finance** - Details of our finances at the end of quarter 3 (Q3) were reviewed. Pledged giving continues to be down compared to expectations in the budget. We currently have a deficit of £3.1k which is £2k behind our plan.

Race Night at St. Mary's Marlow Bottom

On Saturday November 25th 7pm, with the first race at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £10 per person, which includes food and 5 free raffle tickets, available from Graeme Slocombe on 07785 262078

Churchyard A big big thank you to Steve and around 20 helpers plus some junior family members that turned up for the autumn clear up . Over 10 bulk bags of trimmings were taken to the tip following the activity and the churchyard has been left in great condition for the winter. Thank you to everyone that contributed time and effort to make this happen!

Sierra Leone

A huge thank you to everyone who has contributed either a rucksack or cash to the appeal to send school supplies & gifts to Lori Spragg's orphaned children of Sierra Leone. Thank you! *Liz Ferris*

SERVICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Tuesday: 10.30 Holy Communion
Wednesday: 08.15 Morning Prayer
Friday: 19.00 Evening Prayer

Next Sunday 19th Nov. 2nd Sunday before Advent
08.00 Holy Communion (said)
09.15 Holy Communion (sung)
10.59 Informal Service with Communion
17.30 Evening Prayer (Be Still)

Readings: James 3: 12
Mark 7: 14-23

Together PRAYER 4U Team



Week beginning 12th November 2017

A Prayer for Remembrance Father of mercies and God of all comfort, whose Son ministered to those in need: remember for good all those who suffer through war, by loss of home or faculties, by loss of friends and loved ones, by loss of security or freedom. Grant peace and eternal rest to all the departed, especially the millions known and unknown, who died as prisoners in many lands, victims of the hatred and cruelty of man. Look upon our world, still torn apart by violence and fighting, and grant success to those who work for peace; through him who reconciled men with God, and men with men, the Lord Jesus Christ. Give us the grace so to spend ourselves for those who are still alive, that we may prove most truly that we have not forgotten those who died.

Give thanks for our friends, families and carers, all who support and nurture us; for the joy of sharing worship together and for a shared hospitality. Help us to be an open and welcoming church to all and any who seek to know our Lord better and to draw closer to God. Help us to be tolerant and respectful to each other and all whom we meet. **Give thanks** for the beauty of our towns and cities for the advantages we enjoy, for the abundant food we can eat, for our homes and gardens, for safety and the many leisure opportunities we have, for the wonderful education our children receive and the hope they can have in their futures. Remember those who have none of these things

Pray for the people of Central Africa facing starvation, as high temperatures and no rainfall destroy their crops and livestock and who now face disease and famine.

Pray for those involved with the negotiations around Brexit, for patience, grace and generosity. **Pray** for the Prime Minister and all those in government at this time of confusion and unrest. **Pray** for the people of Spain and the consequences of the Catalan vote for independence creating a constitutional crisis

Pray for the opportunities to move forward in the power of a new Spirit as we grow in new and exciting directions as ordinary people with our extraordinary God. **Pray** for our Team Council that there will be new ways to include all our congregations in a generous and inclusive church community, where all are valued and loved equally. **Pray** that the exciting potential opportunities for growth will be discerned by prayer and careful consideration with God's guiding hand particularly in the matter of Holy Trinity Church.

Pray for all those fleeing from oppression, violence and poverty, and coming to Europe they may find a welcome and a safe haven offering hope, security and love for the future. **Pray** especially for the escalating crisis of the Rohingya community fleeing violence in Myanmar resulting from religious intolerance.

Pray for those who are sick in body mind or spirit and all those who have asked for our prayers, give thanks for those who are healing. **Pray** for those who are elderly and housebound, or living in residential homes with few friends or visitors especially members of our church family. **Pray** for those who have recently died and those who are still missed. May those who mourn them know the peace and love of Christ and his promise of eternal life



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one vision