



# Lantern

**One church of all ages, with a vibrant, dynamic, worshipping heart,  
reaching out with the love of Christ to Marlow Bottom and beyond**

*Welcome to our service!*

*With lots of things going on in Marlow Bottom we will try our best to keep you posted through this Newsletter and in other ways. Please let us know if there are ways we can improve our communications.*

**11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – 3rd Sunday before Advent**

**10.30 Remembrance Service at Burford School**

## **Services in November**

<b>18 Nov</b>	<b>09.30</b>	<b>Holy Communion at St. Mary's</b>
	<b>11.00</b>	<b>Worship with children's groups in The Chapel</b>
<b>25 Nov</b>	<b>09.30</b>	<b>Morning Worship in The Chapel</b>
	<b>11.00</b>	<b>All Age Communion at St. Mary's</b>
	<b>16.00</b>	<b>Deanery Confirmation at St Andrews Church, Hatters Lane, High Wycombe</b>
	<b>18.30</b>	<b>Be Still – service of reflection at the Chapel</b>

## NEWS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Prayer** - prayer needs to be at the heart of everything we do. If you would like to be involved in the prayer life of our church, then do pick up a prayer calendar, which gives you suggestions of things to pray for day by day through the month. Or why not join us at a Monday prayer meeting: Monday 12th prayer walk 7pm - 7.45 from 165 Marlow Bottom, Monday 19 November lunchtime prayer 1-2 in the chapel.

**Lantern Youth** will be running a youth trip to Soul Survivor Watford (youth service) on **Saturday 24th November from 4.30-9pm** – please put that date on your calendars now! This is a great opportunity for young people (and their parents) to experience a 'youth' church with a much larger group of people their own age than they would normally. Lifts are needed so older people also warmly welcome.

**Confirmation:** If you are an adult who would like to be confirmed on November 25th, please speak to Sami or Graham. There is still time for preparation, especially if you have done an Alpha Course.

If you would like to sign up for the parish giving scheme, please talk to Lorraine Jackman or Graham Watts.

### **Sabbatical Feedback - Dave Bull**

Would you like to hear about what Dave got up to on his sabbatical? He will be reporting back about how his time was spent at **All Saints' Bisham on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November from 8.00 - 9.30pm, with refreshments from 7.30**. There is plenty of parking outside the church, plus brand new toilet facilities inside! The presentation will include a section on Dave's sabbatical study theme: "How does the Word made flesh speak to the Instagram generation?" and will include plenty of time for question and discussion.

**Count down to the Sleepout** 23<sup>rd</sup> November in the churchyard of ASM. Join the night of fellowship and fun with our intrepid band of sleepers and help Wycombe Homeless Connection while you sleep. Event from 7pm includes: soup kitchen, best shelter competition, short quiz, breakfast. From 12yrs (with accompanying adult). Register at <https://www.bit.ly/4USleep2018> or email Muriel [muriel.reynolds@4u-team.org](mailto:muriel.reynolds@4u-team.org) We currently have 5 people from Lantern sleeping out: Nina Adamson, Jo Keyes, Josie Jacobs, Kate Lewis and Sami Watts. Do consider joining them or get in touch for sponsorship details!

### **CONCERT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AT ALL SAINTS MARLOW**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November 3pm** Wycombe Abbey School

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 7.30pm** Marlow Choral performing Mozart's Great Mass in C minor

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm** Workshop followed by **5.30pm** Concert "Come & Sing" Fantasia on Christmas Carols. Register by 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec on [www.marlowchoralsociety.org.uk](http://www.marlowchoralsociety.org.uk)

**Marlow Refugee Action – “World-Café” Event Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 7:30-9:30pm, Marlow Rowing Club** After two years of collecting, campaigning, fund-raising and volunteering our understanding of the refugee crisis and what we can do to help has made significant progress. Come and hear more about our vision for the charity moving forward and how you can get involved and help refugees both in our area and in camps abroad. Your help and support so far has been amazing, please join us for the next step of our journey. There is no charge for the event, but drinks will be on sale courtesy of our hosts at Marlow Rowing Club. Please get in touch for more information and to let us know if you plan to come (it would be helpful for us to know numbers):  
[marlowrefugeeaction@gmail.com](mailto:marlowrefugeeaction@gmail.com)

**All Saints Bisham** are looking for a Book Keeper/Treasurer. If you can help please contact Rod Stevens ([rodstevens@live.co.uk](mailto:rodstevens@live.co.uk))

Readings for next week: **Hebrews 10: 11-14. 19-25**  
**Mark 13: 1-8**

***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***

# TOGETHER IN PRAYER IN MARLOW & MARLOW BOTTOM

Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018



**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.

**Pray** for our Church Council and grant all members, patience discernment and tolerance, to give respect for other's opinions and grace to reach a consensus that will enable all our congregations to feel part of a generous and inclusive church community, where all are valued and loved equally and all voices are heard. Guide us to use our resources wisely and to do our best for our children and young people at this difficult time

**Pray** for the volunteer teams and for Matt our shared intern, as they prepare programmes to continue Church activities and clubs for our children in the coming autumn session while decision are made about replacing youth and children's leaders. Give all wisdom, and inspiration. **Pray** for our schools, teachers and children, planning the many special activities over the next few weeks and during the coming season of Advent.

**Pray** for all those at home and abroad whose lives have been altered by violence, terrorist acts, severe weather and tragic accidents. **Pray** for our broken world, those continuing to flee from violence and poverty that seek a better future in foreign lands, pray they will find a welcome and a decent place to live with support to make informed decisions about their future and the best way forward with hope. **Pray** for the oppressed and suffering, the lonely lost and abandoned. **Pray** for those working to bring relief and genuine hope for all in need.

**Pray** for those negotiating for the best outcome regarding Brexit, for commonsense and generosity.

**Pray** for those who are sick in body mind or spirit and all those who struggle to make sense of their lives, and are facing personal times of crisis. **Pray** for those who are elderly and housebound, or living in residential homes with few friends or visitors. **Pray** for those recovering in hospital or at home; those waiting for treatment; those coming to terms with disability or changed lifestyles.

**Pray** for those who have recently died and those who are still missed and give thanks for their lives; may those who mourn know the peace of Christ. **Pray** for doctors, nurses, technicians and carers who use their God given skills to heal and to mend. **Give thanks** for those who are healing.