Sat 30 November 2024 - St Mary's Church Christmas Market

to be held in the Church from 11.00am to 2.30pm.

Could **you** please help at this event by running a stall - cakes, books & jigsaws, produce, tombola, children's toys etc or by making cakes, preparing food for refreshments, providing tombola or raffle prizes or helping to set up and clear up chairs and tables.

Your support is much appreciated.

Let us make this a joyous fundraising event to help support St Mary's Church and Family now and in the future.

Please contact either Sandra or Marie for more information

Tombola - St Mary's Christmas Market

Please pass any items for the Tombola to Sheila Fowler - all suitable items gratefully received! Many thanks.

AYF Band in Concert





Christ Church Swindon Saturday 23 November 7.30pm



https://bit.ly/SWIAYF *Retiring collection



Purton Churches **Together**



"In partnership with other Christians in Purton"

Purton **Methodist Church**

Sunday 27th October 2024 Welcome to our two Churches.

For more information about the service please see the welcome page inside the order of service. If you would like a visit from a Church member, or would value prayer or an opportunity to find out more about the Christian faith please contact

- The Vicar, Rev Ian Tweedie-Smith on 01793 770077 vicarage@stmaryspurton.org.uk
- The Curate, Rev Judith Wells on 01793 770627 judithwells36@googlemail.com
- The Methodist Minister, Rev Shirlyn Toppin on 01793 853197 shirlys8 @hotmail.com
- If you have any Church Safeguarding concern: Marie Dempsey: 07455046815 Email: safeguarding@stmaryspurton.org.uk

All Soul's Service Sunday 3rd November 6.00pm at St Mary's Church

This is a special service to remember and give thanks for those who have died. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in someone's memory if you wish.

If you would like anyone remembered by name at this service, please write their name(s) clearly on the list in church or email Rosie Harris by Thursday 31st October.

administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk

Church Events

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Sunday 27 th	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd Norma McKemey				
October	10.30am	Own Arrangement Service at Purton Methodist Church				
Mon 28 th	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group				
	2.00pm	Zoom ID:907644918 Passcode:918865 Bible group – Proverbs (In church)				
Tues 29th	7.30pm	Music group rehearsal (venue tbc)				
Wed 30 th	11.30am	Funeral of Margaret Beaumont at St Mary's				
		Church with Revd Judith Wells				
	5.00pm	Prayer Group – Lady Chapel				
Thurs 31st						
Fri 1 st	7.30pm	Bellringing practice				
Sat 2 nd						
Sunday 3 rd November	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's Church with Revd John Martin				
	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's Church with Revd Judith Wells				
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Robin Phoenix-Stone				
	6.00pm	All Soul's Service at St Mary's Church with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith, Revd Judith Wells & Revd Chris Dobson				

<u>Prayer:</u> In our street prayer cycle for October, we pray for Witfield Close, Glevum Close, The Common, Locks Lane, *(and from Moulden View)* Bretton Close and Bashkir Close, Quarrydene (Care Home) on Pavenhill and The Bungalow (Care Home) on Pavenhill.

Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Upper Thames Methodist Circuit.

We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Ronald 'Ron' Kauppinen, James Kent, Tony Bevington, George Duguid, Hedley Webb, Margaret Beaumont and Jill Mucklow.

The funeral of Hedley Webb will take place at St Mary's Church on 15th November at 10.30am.

The funeral of Jill Mucklow will take place at St Mary's Church on 21st November at 1.15pm (with Revd Tudor Roberts).

Eco-Prayer Calendar for October

Give thanks to God for his provision of the harvest. Pray for farmers and the challenges they face, especially with climate change. Please also pray for 'Africa Naturally' in Mozambique (a charity supported by St Mary's). https://africanaturally.com/

Collect: Trinity 21

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Reading: Mark 10:46-52 & Hebrews 7:23-28

46 Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means 'son of Timaeus'), was sitting by the roadside begging. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' 48 Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' 49 Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him. 'So they called to the blind man, 'Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you.' 50 Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. 51 'What do you want me to do for you?' Jesus asked him. The blind man said, 'Rabbi, I want to see.' 52 'Go,' said Jesus, 'your faith has healed you.' Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

Readers: 27th Val Walker 3rd Nov Jean Belt 10th Marie Dempsey **Intercessions:** 27th Howard Smith 3rd Paul Dempsey 10th Jean Belt St Mary's Church website is: **www.stmaryspurton.org.uk** If you want to add an article into the church notices, please email Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris, by first thing Thursday mornings. administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk