

SANDY PARISH CHURCH - ST SWITHUN'S

WELCOME! - Our doors are open to people from different backgrounds regardless of where they are in their faith or life journey.

14th October 2018

Please take away details of our regular services and activities from the information table.

Confirmation Service is next Sunday, 21st October at 10:30am. We are looking forward to welcoming The Right Revd. Richard Atkinson the Bishop of Bedford, the confirmation candidates and their friends and families. *Please note that this will be one special joint service instead of the 9:30 and 11:00am services.*



Light party

Wednesday 31st October 5-6.30pm in the Church Rooms. For all children in Primary School. Please ask Hayley (or Junior Church team) for invitations and registration forms.

Remembrance Day Sunday 11th November

Service in the church at 11.30am after the parade from the war memorial.

WW1 The Battle's over - 100 years of remembrance.

Gather in Sandy Market Square at 6pm for a service of hymns, WW1 poems, soldiers' letters, beacon lighting and community singing.



PARENTS and Children

We would like everyone to feel welcome and relaxed. If your child becomes restless please feel free to use the **area to the left** with toys and activity sheets.

Creche in the Tower Room at the back for babies and toddlers and is also a quieter space for mums if needed.

Please do not leave your children unsupervised in the church.

CHILDREN'S GROUPS 4+

the children's team would love to welcome them for activities in the Church Rooms after the start of the service.

Memory verse for October:

For the Son of Man came to seek and save what was lost. Luke 19 v 10

Leprosy Mission Project 2018 is supporting the work of Premananda Hospital in Calcutta. The target will be £17,405 to cover the annual salary of a doctor and two nurses to ensure that the Hospital can retain its excellent staff and continue to be a place of healing and hope.

Current funds stand at : £14,216

Visit the Leprosy Mission Market Stall - Friday mornings in the centre of Sandy.

Autumn Quiz evening: Friday 2nd November 7:30pm in the Church rooms.

Teams of max. 6 people. Book your team with Colin (01767 682032)

Winter Lights Event: Sunday 25th November at Anglesey Abbey. Full details from Colin.



BIBLE READINGS

October 14th - Prayer -	Matthew 7 v 7 – 11	Acts 6 v 1 – 7
October 21st -Confirmation service-	Mark 10 v 35 - 45	Hebrews 5 v 1-10
October 28th - Preferences -	Matthew 7 v 12	Acts 6 v 8 - 15
November 4th - Pathways -	Mark 4 v 1 - 9	Acts 7 v 51 - 8 v 3

Giving Friends - We are so grateful to all who are able to give financially to help resource the ministry of the church and maintenance of our buildings either through regular donations or supporting of our fund-raising events.

Please take our Financial Giving leaflet home for details.

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REGULAR MUSIC EVENTS

COFFEE CONCERT'S at 11:30am. Every first Friday of the month

with Luke Howard - Element String Quartet and Friends.

St. Swithun's Singers

Christmas Concert Wednesday 19th December 7.30pm

Tickets at the door £5

Operation Christmas Child - Shoebox Sunday - 4th November

A small shoebox can have a big impact. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal. Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' name through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.

Shoeboxes are now available from the information table in church for a suggested donation of £1. Items that are suitable to be included in a shoebox are detailed on the Samaritan's Purse website (click on the link to Operation Christmas Child) or in the leaflet.

Completed shoeboxes can be brought to church by Sunday 4th November.



Christmas Tree Festival - 1st - 2nd December

Can you volunteer to help at the Christmas Tree Festival?

There are many different ways you can help so please contact

Corinne Hetherington 01767 681353

Christingle service Sunday 16th December 9.30 and 11am

with a special collection for the Children's Society.

Please come and help make the Christingles on Saturday 15th December from 10am in the church.

Many hands make light work!



SPECIAL SERVICES - October & November

Confirmation Service - 10.30am Sunday 21st October - (joint 9:30 & 11am special service)

All Saints Service - 7pm Thursday 1st November

Remembrance Sunday - 11th November - 11:30am Remembrance Day Service

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES - December

Christmas Tree Festival Weekend 1st - 2nd December

Carols among the Christmas Trees - Sunday 2nd December 11am

Christingle - Sunday 16th December 9:30 & 11am

Carols and Christmas Celebration - Saturday 22nd December 4pm

Traditional Lessons and Carols - Sunday 23rd December 6pm

Christmas Eve:

Carols around the Crib (Nativity Crib Service) 3pm and 5pm

Midnight Communion - 11pm

Christmas Day

Family Communion - 9am

Christmas Celebration - 10:30am

Services at 8:15am and 9:30am only - on Sunday 30th December