

## ***Sandy Parish Church - St. Swithun's Information & Events***

# **FEBRUARY 2020**

**Welcome!** If you are visiting or here for the first time,  
we hope you feel at home and enjoy the service.

**Refreshments are available in the church 10.30am -11.00am**

**Toilets are in the Church Rooms.**

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

### **National Guidance re. Bread and Wine at Communion**

In the light of the current concerns about public health, the following guidance has been issued: If a person has any concerns about taking the wine from the Chalice, or feels unwell, has a sore throat or mouth ulcer, or if their immune system is compromised because of medical treatment, it is recommended to receive communion in the form of the Bread alone.

Otherwise sipping from the Chalice is the best way to receive the wine. Research indicates that there is no measurable risk from receiving the wine from the Chalice when it is properly administered, and careful hygiene is observed during the administration.

*Thank you for your understanding.*



### **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.

**The Tower Room** at the back has some toys for toddlers and is also a quieter space for mums and babies.

**Please do not leave your  
children unsupervised  
in the church**

**Please be vigilant in the  
refreshments area where  
there are hot drinks**

### **CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH GROUPS (Age 4+)**

The children's and youth teams would love to welcome them for activities in the Church Rooms after the start of the service.

***Ash Wednesday Service 26th February 7pm***

***Lent Lunches Fridays 28th February - 27th March 12noon***

**at the Baptist Church Hall - Donation: £2.50**

**A bread roll & cheese & a hot drink. Supporting Christian Aid and CAFOD**

***World Day of Prayer - Friday 6th March 2pm***

**Beeston Methodist Church**

### **SMALL GROUPS FIND A PLACE OF WELCOME**

Meet others, grow in faith. Simple Bible exploration, discussion, prayer, friendship & food. Small groups can be of all shapes and sizes, meeting at mutually convenient times. **Do ask for details if you are interested in joining a Small Group**



**Alpha**

**Exploring  
Christian Faith**

Alpha sessions will  
resume again  
in the Summer term.

### **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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## Children's Summer Holiday Club August

Volunteer helpers needed. Contact Jenny Vass

Email: [jenny\\_vass@sky.com](mailto:jenny_vass@sky.com)



*Flowers at St. Swithun's* - Our beautiful flower displays are provided by the flower group throughout the year. In the past we have raised money for flowers by fundraising in various ways but this has now become increasingly difficult. Would anyone like to sponsor flowers for one month during the year, perhaps in memory of a loved one? An appropriate amount would be £25. **Contact Trixie Cooper 01767 681999**

*Southill House and Garden Tour* - Tuesday 19th May 2.30pm. Cost £15

Southill House has been the home of the Whitbread family for over 200 years. This is a fundraiser opportunity for St. Swithun's, the invitation of Charles Whitbread (e.g. bookings of 50 would raise £700). **Sign up on the information table or contact Jean Peckham 01767 682725**

*Thank you on behalf of The Need Project* - to all who donate so generously. Every week we receive contributions from the congregations of all our services and it is very much needed and appreciated. **Thanks too to Stephen Snow** who regularly collects and delivers our supplies from St. Swithun's to the distribution depot. **Mike Yates Sandy Baptist Church**

*St Swithuns Singers* - our friendly community choir meet on **Mondays at 7.15pm** in the Church Rooms. We begin again on **10th February** and new singers are always welcome - sopranos, altos, tenors and bases. Why not come along for a taster session? **Contact Elizabeth Gammell: 681883 for more information**



*The Element String Quartet Spring Concert* - **Saturday 14th March**

*St. Swithun's Summer Festival* - **6th - 19th July**



St. Swithun's has had an interest in supporting The Leprosy Mission for many years. Our Project 2020 aims to raise over £19, 673 to supply Chanchaga Orthopaedic Workshop Nigeria for the provision of wheelchairs, artificial limbs, prostheses, orthoses. Over 50,000 people with Leprosy in Nigeria suffer from disabilities.

**Quiz Night - Friday 6th March 7.30pm in the Church Rooms**

Teams can consist of up to 6 persons (please book with Colin (01767 682032) in advance)

Admission £2.50 per person

Visit the Leprosy Mission Stall in Sandy Market Square every Friday morning

Full details from Colin Osborne (01767 682032) [www.leprosymission.org.uk](http://www.leprosymission.org.uk)