

Christmas Tree Festival

November 30th & December
1st, 2nd & 3rd 2019

Sandy Parish Church is looking forward to hosting its sixth Christmas Tree Festival this year. For the last five Christmas seasons, the church has become the backdrop for a beautiful display of decorated Christmas trees, all created by the community of Sandy. The trees have been crafted by children and youth groups as well as charities and community organisations. Some trees are traditional, some modern and others amusing.

For 2019, we are again inviting the community of Sandy to become imaginative and enter a decorated tree into the festival. It is a really good opportunity to advertise your group, organisation or business to a wide variety of local people.

Last year we had over sixty trees on display and so places will be limited. Applications will be accepted on a 'first come' basis.

Due to the increasing popularity of this event we have extended the festival duration to four days this year.

The festival will be open from noon over the weekend and from 3.30pm on Mon and Tues.

The weekend will also feature live Christmas music performed by local choirs, singers and musicians .

Entry is donation only.

Refreshments will be available to purchase throughout the weekend.

Sandy Parish Church St. Swithun's

Is there a charge for exhibiting a tree?

There is no charge for schools, charities and non-profit making organisations, who wish to enter a tree but businesses will be asked for a donation of £25.

All exhibitors are provided with a tree sign detailing the name of the exhibitor and the title of the tree.

Guidelines for applications

Each tree should follow a theme, tell a story or represent the activity of your group or organisation. It will also require a title which is reflected by its decorations.

We invite exhibitors to be as **creative** as possible with their trees and decorations as the aim of the festival is to entertain the visitors.

Small Trees

There are window sills available to exhibit a number of smaller artificial trees or two dimensional cut outs made from cardboard, wood or any other rigid material with a suitable stand.

If this is a suitable option for you, then please indicate this on the booking form.

To Apply:

Fill in and return a booking form (available from www.sandyparishchurch.org or **Sandy Town Council**) as soon as possible but no later than

Monday 25th November to:

Sandy Christmas Tree Festival

34 High Street,

Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 1AQ

Or email: sandytreefestival@yahoo.co.uk

Further enquiries:

Corinne Hetherington 01767 681353

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Set Up Day

Friday 29th

November

Set Down Day

Wednesday

4th December

Guidelines for Exhibitors

- Each exhibitor should provide their own tree, real or artificial with a suitable, secure stand.
- Tree lights are allowed but no candles please. Do not bring your own extension cables as these will be provided.
- The setting up, decoration and dismantling of trees is the responsibility of the exhibitor
- All exhibitors will be provided with a suitable location in which to position their tree by the organisers on the day of set up.
- The organisers reserve the right to remove anything which they consider to be unsafe or inappropriate.
- **No audio please.**

