

Extra Notices for Sunday 28th October

Sermon Series

The sermons today will be on 'The Treasure & The Pearl - Matthew 13:44-46.

All Together Service

4th November

'Remember the flowers of the field and grow peace.' Informal Remembrance of the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1 and any people we wish to remember/give thanks for 'being a flower in our lives.' You are invited to bring a photograph or item to place on a front table, which will have a Ceramic Poppy (from the Tower of London display) a sunflower and hopefully a forget-me-not. (If anyone has a Ceramic LOROS forget me not, and is willing to put in on the table display for the duration of the service, this would be appreciated). A drama by the SS/YP, music, bell-ringing, readings and flower arrangements, will mark this important time in our history. Please invite anyone to come and join in this informal service The Service on Armistice Sunday remains as it is, and will mark the 100th Anniversary in the traditional way. Rehearsals for the drama will take place in the Sunday School on the October 21st/28th with a **final rehearsal on Friday 2nd November at 6pm**. If you would like to take part, (we need all ages) please speak to Rose Parrott.

Rectory Bible Study Group

14th November

The next Rectory Bible Study will be on Wednesday 14th November at 7:30pm. The Bible study will be Mark 13:1-8

Ride and Stride

Many thanks for your support and for those who helped in the £536 raised by Vince and I during the Ride and Stride event, 50% of which goes to the Historic Churches trust and the remaining 50% to St James. *Andy*

Deanery Synod

21st November

The next Deanery Synod will be held at St James on Wednesday 21st November at 7.15 for 7.45pm.

Advent Children's afternoon tea party

2nd December

A Children's tea party will be held on 2nd December 2:30-4pm. Please put it in your diary and join us at Wanlip Hall for fun, food, stories and surprises! All ages welcome. More information to follow, for more details speak to Debbie Shephard.

Money Management.

We're going to run another CAP Money Course. This is a free course that teaches you budgeting skills and a simple, cash-based system that works. It's for anyone and everyone, whether you feel pretty organised with your money or whether it's like a lucky dip every time you try to withdraw cash from your account. If you'd like to know more, please speak to Gill Chester (0116 2120236), Lesley Walton or Tricia Owen. All are welcome. Do tell your friends and family about it. You're also welcome to come on the course again if you've already done it. The next course runs for 3 weeks starting on Monday, 29th October at 10:00am in the Community Room at St James Church. If this time doesn't work for you, let us know, and we'll see if we can arrange another course at different time.

Birstall Food Hub

Birstall Food Hub is becoming an increasingly important place because more and more people are having to wait for their Universal Credit payments to come through. We therefore need more volunteers to boost our great existing team. If you think you might be interested in helping in any capacity, please speak to Gill Chester Tel. 07832299671 email: gill.chester@ntlworld.com or Peter Molesdale Tel. 07984 410618 email: eileenandpete@ntlworld.com

Recycling Printer Cartridges and Mobile Phones

There is a box at the back of church for your used ink cartridges & mobile phones.

Prayer Chain

If you have an urgent prayer request for yourself or for someone you know, please contact Doreen Wilson on 2674680 or Gill Pope on 2675086. This will be passed round the prayer chain as quickly as possible in strictest confidence

Prayer Team

Please approach anyone wearing a Prayer Team badge at any time if you would like prayer. Two people will be available at the front left of the main church during the Communion at the 10am service, but we would love to pray with you at any time. Contact Kerry Emmett (319 4736) for further information.

'Down memory lane' Afternoon Teas

8th December

At Birstall Methodist Coffee Shop, bi-monthly 2.30-4 pm. If you are or someone close to you is experiencing some loss of memory, or are feeling isolated or lonely ... join us for a drink, music, cakes, a sing-a-long, some entertainment and always a chance to have a chat. If family members or friends would like to come with you, they will be very welcome. To find out more, please contact Janet 0116 2671471

Flowers for special occasions

We are fortunate to have two hugely experienced and professional flower arranging teams at Birstall & Wanlip who are willing to receive requests for flower arrangements to be placed in Church to mark your special occasion. Donations for the cost of the flowers are always welcome, but not always necessary. If you would like the teams to arrange a flower display with your special occasion in mind, please contact Sylvia Simes on 2674206 or email: sylviasimes@talktalk.net (Birstall) and Marjorie Bonshor on 2207964 (Wanlip)

Items for Information Sheet

To ensure all events, meetings etc. are advertised in the Information Sheet, please send details to the church office at stjames.birstall@btconnect.com or telephone 2671797 (you can leave a message if no one is there) or email it direct to me at sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk or you can leave a note next to the computer in the office. Please note that you have until **11am** on the **Friday** to get your items included in that week's news sheet.

Church Website Notices

If you have any information which you would like put onto the church website, please send it to stjames.birstall@btconnect.com