



## News from the Parish Church of St John the Baptist

Hello, I started as the new Rector of St John the Baptist at the beginning of September. As I write, I've been in place for four whole weeks! I am settling into Needham Market and getting to know people – please do say hello if you see me wandering around.

In the church, the beginning of November is when we focus on remembering; first of all the Church celebrates All Saints day when we remember all the saints throughout Christian history – those remembered on a particular day throughout the church year, and those unknown. Then we remember those loved ones we no longer see on All Souls Day, we take time to give thanks for the good times and perhaps share memories of them. We have a service on 2nd November at 7.30pm where we can light candles and read out names of those we mourn.

Just a little way into November, we remember again the ultimate sacrifice made by so many people during the First and Second World Wars and many conflicts since. Our Remembrance service is at the Community Centre where the names of those lost in conflict will be read aloud. There will be well-known names still represented in our town and others long forgotten. Sometimes a name jumps out at me, and I wonder what that person's life was like, I wonder how the person lived, who they were to the people they knew, if they left a wife, sweetheart or family behind. We must never forget to tell their stories. We need to tell the generations to come about those who came before and not leave them simply reduced to a name on a memorial.

The Bible tells us that all Christians are saints, not just those who are famous in history and have 'St.' in front of their names, and so I am left pondering about us, this present generation. What will our stories be, when the time comes for them to be passed on? At some point in the future, we may well be names on a memorial stone or book of remembrance. What will people remember about us?

As we remember saints, souls and soldiers let us remember their stories, their courage, their kindness and may our stories be enriched as we strive to imitate the good examples we have been given by so rich a tapestry of those who have gone before us.

I pray for you in this season of remembrance, that you would know God's love for you and for all those you love in this life and in the life to come.

*Rev'd Tracey*

### St. Andrew's Church Darmsden

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
at 2.00pm**

The service will be taken by  
Canon Bernard Rose  
and we welcome back the  
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**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER 2023**  
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SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023  
10am – 12noon**

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## ST JOHN the BAPTIST CHURCH Needham Market

Reverend Tracey James Rector of Needham Market and Badley Church Wardens: David Sewell and Ian Jeffreys

(To arrange Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals or any other matters connected to St Johns please ring 01449 720316)

Please join us for our Service of Communion on Sunday Mornings at 10am

**MORNING PRAYER** in Church on Wednesdays at 9.30am

**ALL SOULS SERVICE** Thursday 2nd November at 7.30pm in Church. (A chance to remember loved ones who have died by lighting a candle. If you would like your loved one's name to be read out, please let Rev'd Tracey know (01449 720316)

**REMEMBRANCE ARMISTICE** 11th November Barrett's Lane Corner at 10.50am

**A short service of Remembrance lead by Rev'd Tracey James**

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY** Sunday 12th in the COMMUNITY CENTRE at 10.35am. (Please arrive by 10.25am) Followed by a Commemoration Service at the War Memorial, Needham Market Burial Ground.

**HOME WORSHIP** is held on the first Monday of the month at 10am, 137 High Street. (next meeting November 6th). All welcome

**TUESDAY TOTS** is held at THE ARK King William Street in Term time at 9.30 - 11.00am. £1.00 per family includes refreshments.

**ST JOHNS PANTRY** opens every Thursday morning in the ARK 9.30 - 11.00am plus teas and coffees. (We are here for all who need us).

**HOUSE GROUP** at 39 Ammonite Drive for Bible Study and Fellowship. Coffee from 10am for 10.30 start. please ring 720316 for dates of meetings.

## CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY, STOWMARKET

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Tel: 01449 612946  
E-mail: [pp@ourladystowmarket.org.uk](mailto:pp@ourladystowmarket.org.uk)

### MASS TIMES:

**Saturday evening - 6pm**  
St Mary's C of E Church, Woolpit IP30 9QG  
**Sunday morning - 8.30am & 10.15am**  
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**Daily Mass Monday to Friday - 10am**  
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Welcomers will be directing parishioners in church and we look forward to welcoming you all.

Other events in the Parish are advertised at the front of Our Lady's Church, in the weekly Newsletter and on the Parish Website - [www.ourladystowmarket.org.uk](http://www.ourladystowmarket.org.uk)



**CHRISTCHURCH, NEEDHAM MARKET**  
(Methodist/United Reformed Church)  
High Street, Needham Market IP6 8AP

### Minister

**The Revd Rita Carr (Methodist) Tel: 01449 259379**  
**Sunday Morning Worship:** 10.30 am with Sunday Club  
**Service of Holy Communion:** 2nd Sunday

### WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES IN CHRISTCHURCH HALLS

**Tiddlers: (For Mums, Dads, and Carers with Babies up to 4 years)**  
**Monday 9.30 – 11.30am (term time)**  
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**Scrabble Club: Monday 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm**  
New players please contact Sheila Norris on 01449 720871

**Knit for Peace: 3rd Wednesday 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm**  
Contact – Sheila Norris. Tel: 01449 720871

**Christians Together: Thursday 10.30- 11.30am (term time)**  
Contact – Barbara Ellis 01449 720154

**Coffee Morning: 2nd Saturday 10 am – 12 noon**  
(Always with a selection of cakes, books and puzzles for sale)

### OTHER REGULAR BOOKINGS

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**Rangers:** Tuesday 7.00 – 8.30pm (term time)  
Contact Angela Hayward: [ajhayward17@btinternet.com](mailto:ajhayward17@btinternet.com)

**Keep Fit:** Wednesday 6.45 – 7.30pm  
Contact: Madi Wright: [thewritelife@hotmail.com](mailto:thewritelife@hotmail.com)

**Rainbows:** Thursday 5.15 – 6.15pm (term time)  
Contact Chloe Keys: 07502149673 or [eolhc27@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:eolhc27@hotmail.co.uk)

**Brownies:** Thursday 6.30 – 7.30pm (term time)  
Contact Carly Otton: [carly.otton@gmail.com](mailto:carly.otton@gmail.com)

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**CHURCH CONTACT:** Lindsey Gomez 01449 722418  
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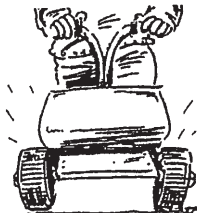
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## NEEDHAM MARKET EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Ipswich Road Needham Market IP6 8EH

### Update on our Church Building

By the time that you read this, we should be back in our church building in Ipswich Road. For much of September and the first part of October it has been closed for repairs. The roof tiles have been replaced and other improvements to the building have been made. It is now open again and our normal program has been reinstated. Our Sunday services and midweek Bible Study have continued during this period and we are grateful to the Community Centre and also to Christchurch for making rooms available to us.

Do come and visit us. We are always pleased to see new people coming into our church, so if you have recently moved to Needham Market or just looking for a church to attend, we would love to see you. You will be very welcome at any of our meetings listed below.

### Services and Meetings in November

#### Sunday Services

Held every Sunday at 10.30am and 6pm in our church building in Ipswich Road. They are also relayed on Zoom and recordings are uploaded to YouTube later. Refreshments are served after each evening service. Please see below for internet contact details. Do come and join with us. You will receive a warm welcome.

#### Bible Study and Prayer Meeting:

Every Tuesday evening at 7pm in our Church Hall.

### Ladies Together

1st Wednesday each month. Next meeting 1st November: 10.30am in our Church Hall.

A time for ladies to encourage and support each other, which includes fellowship, Bible study and prayer. New ladies always welcome, to join in discussion or just listen.

Please contact us or check our web site for details of the venue.

### Coffee Plus

3rd Friday each month. Next meeting Friday 17th November between 10.30am and Midday.

Please join us for a hot or cold drink, excellent home-made cakes, and a time of friendly chatter.

### Boys and Girls – There are new videos on our website for you

Look on [www.needhamchurch.org.uk](http://www.needhamchurch.org.uk) and click on the Tab marked "Children", then follow the link to Children's Corner where you will be able to hear exciting stories from the Bible.

You will find how to access our services on the Home Page of the Church website, [www.needhamchurch.org.uk](http://www.needhamchurch.org.uk). Those without the internet can join the services by telephone. Please dial 0330 088 5830. The meeting ID is 678 027 3322 and the password is 828 694.

For further information, please contact us via David 0771 999 6375



## CHRISTCHURCH NEEDHAM MARKET

### All Saints Day, November 1st

In the 8th century Pope Gregory III (731- 741) designated November 1st as a time to honour all the saints. The evening before this was known as All Hallows Eve and later Hallowe'en. .

The dictionary defines a saint as 'a very holy or virtuous person; a person venerated after death as a holy person.' Sometimes we may say 'Oh, you're a saint, thank you,' when some-one has done something exceptionally kind and selfless for us.

This hymn by John Bell and Graham Maule summarises the lifestyle of people who became saints:

*For all the saints who showed your love  
in how they lived and where they moved,  
for mindful women, caring men,  
accept our gratitude again.*

*For all the saints who loved your name,  
whose faith increased the Saviour's fame,  
who sang your songs and shared your word,  
accept our gratitude, good Lord.*

*For all the saints who named your will,  
and saw your kingdom coming still  
through selfless protest, prayer and praise,  
accept the gratitude we raise.*

*Bless all whose will or name or love  
reflects the grace of heaven above.  
Though unacclaimed by earthly powers,  
your life, through theirs has hallowed ours.*

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## Home Worship

Kate Dines, one of the founder members and organisers of St. John's Pantry, came to tell us about it at our September HOME WORSHIP.

She said the Parish church had been talking about setting up a food bank for sometime and then we got a new curate, Rev. Sarah, who had been given a sum of money for charitable purposes and she used this to help set up St. John's Pantry.

The food is obtained from a charity called 'Fair Share' who receive it from supermarkets, but also donations of food from local harvest festivals and collections in a box at the back of the Parish Church.

St. John's Pantry is open every Thursday morning from 9.30am at the 'Ark', i.e. the Parish Church Hall, King William Street. There is always a queue so please be there early.

At first we had large trestle tables with crates of food in the main hall, and two little card tables for free tea and coffee to drink. But then we were able to use the smaller room for the food and the main hall for the large trestle tables to serve tea, coffee and lovely home made cakes etc., which Lucille has donated.

The helpers are all volunteers, and there is a rota. It costs £3 for a large bag of food and anyone can come to obtain their bag and choose what they would like. Some items may be in short supply.

It is a very happy morning with people enjoying a friendly chat with each other over a cup of tea or coffee.

HOME WORSHIP always meets on the first Monday of the month, 10am at 137 High Street, Needham Market - come and join us. Next month it will be Lindsey Gomez from Christchurch coming to speak on a subject of her choice.

Wendy Marchant

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