

St Leonard's Church Newsletter

November 2018



Our vision for St Leonard's:
***"To be a Christian presence in the community,
embodying God's love in all we say and do."***

November is a month for remembrance. The 1st is All Saints' Day, when we give thanks for all those who've lived good and holy lives, and pray for ourselves as we strive to live in the same way. The 2nd is All Souls', when we remember our loved ones who have died and commit them to God's care. The 6th is St Leonard's day, when we give thanks for our patron saint. We will be celebrating St Leonard and All Saints in church on Sunday 4th November.

11th November is Remembrance Sunday. This year, we will be celebrating 100 years since the end of the Great War, the Armistice. It would be great to say we celebrate 100 years of peace, but, unfortunately, wars have continued, and still continue today in different parts of the world. So we continue to pray for peace—in our homes, in our communities, and throughout the world.

We'll be putting together our poppy display on Saturday 10th November, and completing it during the 10am service on Sunday 11th. So, if you've made poppies, please bring them along to church on either of those days. And if you're not able to bring them, please get in touch and we can arrange to collect them.

An important way to promote peace is to foster relationships with people of all faiths and nationalities. There will be a Friendship Walk on Sunday 18th November for all people to join in (see inside). Do come along if you can.

And I mustn't forget our Christmas bazaar, coming up on Saturday 17th November, 2pm to 4pm. And, of course, "Remember, remember, the 5th of November" - please enjoy your fireworks and bonfires safely.

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What's On in November (here at St Leonard's unless otherwise specified)

- Fri 2 1pm Funeral of Hilary Lofthouse
- Sat 3 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
11am **Explore Together** Bible study
- Sun 4 10am Eucharist (Patronal Festival)
- Mon 5 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 6 10am Art Group
6.30pm Grimsbury Community Association meeting at the
Community Hall
- Wed 7 10am Eucharist
- Sat 10 10am Eucharist
10.30am Coffee and setting up the poppy display
- Sun 11 **Remembrance Sunday and Centenary of the Armistice:**
10am Eucharist
11am Act of Remembrance around the War Memorial
4pm Seeking the Spirit service
- Mon 12 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 13 10am Art Group
- Wed 14 10am Eucharist
- Sat 17 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
2pm **Christmas Bazaar**
- Sun 18 10am Eucharist
2pm **Interfaith Friendship Walk**—meet outside Park Road Mosque
- Mon 19 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 20 10am Art Group
- Wed 21 10am Eucharist
- Sat 24 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
- Sun 25 10am Eucharist
4pm Seeking the Spirit service
- Mon 26 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 27 10am Art Group
- Wed 28 10am Eucharist with children from St Leonard's School
- Sat 1 Dec 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
11am **Explore Together** Bible study

A prayer group meets every Monday afternoon at 2pm, usually at Marlene Dargan's house

Choir practice is usually every Tuesday at 7.30pm.

**National Interfaith Week
Interfaith Friendship Walk
Sunday 18th November**



The walk will start outside Park Road Mosque at 2pm (arrive from 1.45pm, refreshments available), then proceed by way of various places of worship to West Street Gurdwara, where refreshments will be served.

Prayers will be said outside each place of worship.

Come and celebrate the diversity of faiths in our town.

Our local schools are:



st-leonards.oxon.sch.uk

and



Dashwood Banbury Academy
an Aspirations Academy

www.aatdashwood.org

Church Hall Bookings:

Please contact Gemma on 07856 278797 or email saintleonardsbanbury@gmail.com

Armistice Centenary

11th November



Bring your poppies along to add to our display—either on Saturday 10th November, between 10.30 and 12 noon, or on Sunday 11th to the 10am service.

St. Leonard's Christian after school club and Prayer Space

If you can help with the after-school club on Tuesdays 3pm to 4pm, or the prayer space on Wednesdays 12.10pm to 1.10pm, please speak to Revd Sue or Sue Ayliff



**St Leonard's Church
Christmas Bazaar
Saturday 17th November
2pm to 4pm**

*Christmas Craft Market,
Children's Craft Activities,
Raffle, tombola, cakes,
Mince pies & refreshments,
lots more*



Sunday Rota

	4th Nov <i>John 11:32-44</i>	11th Nov <i>John 14:23-29</i>	18th Nov <i>Mark 13:1-8</i>	25th Nov <i>John 18:33-37</i>
First Reading	Priscilla: Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24:1-6	n/a	Charles: Daniel 12:1-3 Psalm 16	n/a
Second Reading	Pat S: Rev 21:1-6a	Sue A: Micah 4:1-5	Tim: Heb 10:11-25	Ella: Rev 1:4b-8
Prayers	Geraldine	Pat S	Henry	Rev Sue
MC	Liz	Jerry	Liz	Liz
Chalice	Charles & Liz	Pat S & Jerry	Joan & Jennie	Liz & Tim
Sides persons	Jerry & Mark	Joan & Jennie	Ivy & Shirley	Jerry & Mark
Coffee	Charles & Jan	Olyvia	Sheila	Liz

Please pray for the sick and those who've asked for prayer: Marion, Steve, Laura, Rod, Flora, Irene, Joanna, Daniel, Donna, Justin.

Please note that, owing to the latest Data Protection guidelines, we are unable to include a person's surname unless they have specifically given their permission.

Deddington Deanery Intercessions

4th Nov: All who have died in the last year. Funeral directors, crematorium and cemetery staff, and support groups such as CRUSE. The Chapter meeting this week. Safety for everyone attending bonfire and firework parties. Fire service and Paramedics.

11th Nov: All who have died in war in the 100 years since the end of WWI. All who work for peace. The work of RBL, Help for Heroes, SAFA and similar charities. All who live with life-changing injuries, or troubled minds.

18th Nov: That we may be ready to greet Christ when He comes as our King and our Judge. For light to shine in the dark places of the world. All war torn areas; places of famine; all who suffer from any kind of addiction.

25th Nov: That Christ may indeed be the king we worship in church – and not church tradition or the church building. For Christ-like laws, rules and behaviour throughout the world. For HM The Queen, and all the leaders of the nations.

The deadline for the December newsletter is 25th November. Please send any items to Revd Sue.