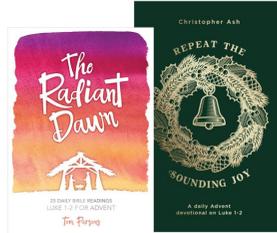


St. Mary's News

Advent Books Daily Reading 1-24 Dec

There are two Advent books this year: 'Repeat the Sounding Joy' by Christopher Ash cost £4.90; or 'The Radiant Dawn' by Tom Parsons cost £3 Please sign the sheet on the table as you take one.



Carols by Candlelight Sun 22 Dec at 6pm. This traditional and popular choral service is at the heart of our Christmas outreach to the local community. As usual, singers are needed to form a choir, rehearsing on Friday evenings at 7.30pm from 15 November. Please speak to John Robertson as soon as possible.

Wrigglers: Christmas party help Mon 16 Dec 10am. The Wrigglers team will need help for this very popular event. Can you help with crafts? All the craft will be organised, so you just need to turn up ready to help on the day. Speak to Kirsty Sarney or the Church Office. Thanks.

Support Bedford Foodbank this Christmas

Items urgently needed are: Jam, Cup-a-Soup, Squash, Tinned Fruit, Long-life Fruit Juice, Jars of Pasta Sauce, Biscuits Tin Openers, Washing Up Liquid, Cleaning Spray, old Saucepans and Christmas treats such as Chocolates, Christmas Crackers, Crisps, Crackers for cheese. All donated items can be left in the box at the front of church by Sunday 8 December.

St Neots Big Band & Hog Roast Sat 23 Nov 7.30pm. Annette & Richard Hart are raising money for Guys and St Thomas' hospital to celebrate 20 years since Emily, their daughter's, kidney transplant. At the Addison Centre, Kempston. Tickets: £25 - includes food. Further details: phone Richard on 07885 655626

Please pray for....

- all who attended Remembrance Services in Wootton and Stewartby last week
- members of the church council as they meet tomorrow to discuss church growth with Ray Evans (Grace Community Church)
- the recently bereaved families of Joan Newitt, Louisa Lowe and Fred Gadsden
 - Anne Worboys, giving thanks for her recovery from surgery and praying for her ongoing treatment
 - Pam Richardson, unable to attend church on account of infirmity

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Sunday 17th November: Shoebox Sunday

9am The Lord's Supper | 10.30am Morning Service

Genesis 3:1-13 'The great lie' Preacher: Phillip Young

🔍 Large print sheets available.

🔊 Sound loop.

🗑️ There is a jug of water at the back on the coffee area, help yourself during the service.

🎵 Please feel free to sit during the hymns & songs if you feel more comfortable.

🍷 Gluten free bread is available at communion services. Ask at the door.

👶 At 10.30am - a crèche (0-2 years) is through the doors at the front of church, where you will also find a toilet/disabled toilet & baby changing facilities.

☕ Refreshments are served after the 10.30am service.

The Week Ahead

Monday 10am Wrigglers (Wootton Baptist Church) **7.30pm** Church Council (Hall)
Weds 7pm Pathfinders (Hall)

Sunday 24th November

9am Morning Prayer **10.30am** Family Communion
Genesis 3:14-24 'Paradise Lost' Speaker: Peter Ackroyd

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The Lord's Supper gam

🎵 **Hymn 247** - Praise my soul
*During which shoeboxes for Operation
Christmas Child will be received*

Collect

First Reading

- Genesis 3:1-13

🎵 **Psalm 133**

Gospel Reading

- Matthew 18:21-end

Creed

Sermon *Phillip Young*

🎵 **Hymn 483**

- Father of heaven

Prayers

Confession

The Lord's Supper

🎵 **Hymn 265**

- All hail the power of Jesus' name

Morning Service 10.30am

🎵 **Hymn** - Praise my soul
*During which shoeboxes for Operation
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Thanksgiving & Confession

🎵 **Songs**

- My hope is built on nothing less
- Light of the world
- Your love will last forever

Young People's Groups

Creed

Prayers

🎵 **Song** - Yet not I but through Christ

Reading: Genesis 3:1-13

Sermon *Phillip Young*

🎵 **Hymn**

- All hail the power of Jesus' name

The New City Catechism

Q45: Is baptism with water the washing away of sin itself?

A: No, only the blood of Christ can cleanse us from sin.

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Young People's Groups

Climbers (2-5 yrs);

Explorers
(school years 1-4) ;

Pathfinders
(school years 5-8)

Prayer Support

Members of St. Mary's prayer support team are available after the 10.30am service to listen and pray with anyone who would like it. Please approach them in the Prayer Room (straight in front of the main door) -whatever your need.

Genesis 3:1-13

¹ Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God really say, "You must not eat from any tree in the garden"?'

² The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³ but God did say, "You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die."'

⁴ 'You will not surely die,' the serpent said to the woman. ⁵ 'For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.'

⁶ When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. ⁷ Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realised that they were naked; so

they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

⁸ Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man, 'Where are you?'

¹⁰ He answered, 'I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.'

¹¹ And he said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree from which I commanded you not to eat?'

¹² The man said, 'The woman you put here with me - she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.'

¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent deceived me, and I ate.'

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Sermon Notes