

Christ Church and St Mark's

Parish Information Sheet for October and November 2018

Kwa Mkono Quiz

Saturday 13th October 2018, 7.15pm at Christ Church.

£8 a head to include "ploughman's" supper with tea or coffee in the interval.

Please bring your own drinks.

The Kwa Mkono Disabled Children's Trust supports the charitable work of the Kwa Mkono Polio Hostel in Tanzania by providing grants of equipment and funding so the hostel can offer rehabilitation, education and training to physically disabled young people, enabling them to live independently when they leave.



'JOIN US FOR A CUPPA'



Thank you to all who popped in for a cuppa and contributed to our donation of £124.20 to the Diocese of Ibbra, Sudan (Bishop Kamani Wilson)

Coffee,

Tea

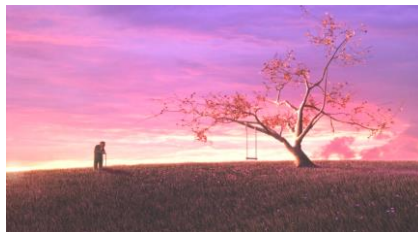
and Cakes



Our coffee mornings are normally at Christ Church from 10am to 12 noon on the first Saturday of every month.

The next Coffee, Tea and Cakes will be on **Saturday 6th October and Saturday 3rd November.**

All Welcome.



MEMORIAL SERVICE 2018

Our annual Memorial Service will take place in Christ Church on **Sunday 4th November at 3pm.**

The service is a time when we deliberately remember with thanksgiving those we have known and loved who have died. Invitations will soon be sent to a relative of all those for whom a minister in the parish has conducted a funeral service, but everyone is invited to this memorial service, whether or not they have received a letter. Please do not assume that everybody likes a deceased name read out, please check first.

If you would like to have the name/s read out of someone who has died, whether or not you can come, please complete this form and give it to the Sidesmen, e-mail it to:

ccwatford@btinternet.com or post it to:

The Parish Office, St Mark's Church, Leggatts Way, Watford WD24 5NQ by **Friday 19th October.**

Please read out the following names at the Memorial Service
(please write in BLOCK CAPITALS)

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Hello from the garden

Here are some photos of vegetables and a sunflower, though we do have more flowers in the garden. This year we had 2 BBQ's that were enjoyed by the people who came along to cook their burgers, sausages, to taste our 'garden grown' BBQ sweetcorn and shared in the salad of lettuce, cucumbers, tomatoes that were also grown in the garden. We also had a Cub Group who wanted to complete a garden badge. We are pleased to say this was accomplished and everyone enjoyed their time in the garden. We are now looking into what to grow in the autumn. We have already started with some

Kohl Rabi which you can see in the picture; it's doing well. We will also be using the poly tunnel for the first time to grow through the winter. We have had wonderful fellowship, the enjoyment of the garden changing colour as the vegetables have grown into tasty food to eat, the flowers have blossomed and the aroma from the herbs. If you would like to visit we are open on Wednesdays 4:30 - 6pm until 24th October.

Shirley & Rachel



THANK YOU

Rodney Salter and Ann Covington would like to thank everyone who supported our sponsored walk for Bowel Cancer UK, which we did on Saturday 15th September. Altogether we collected just over £450, which included £47.00 which was put into our collecting box on 16th September. Thank you everyone.

The walk itself was 5 miles from Bermondsey to Victoria Embankment Gardens and the weather held up well for us. There were 250 people walking with us wearing our special green T shirts. We went past parts of London we didn't know, going mainly along the Thames towpath. We went over Tower Bridge and around St. Katharine Docks Marina and past the Tower of London. After a break at a water station we continued across the Millennium Bridge passed the Tate Modern and the National Theatre, across the Jubilee Bridge to Victoria Gardens. There we were greeted with cheers, rattles and medals. I think we must have been the oldest couple on the walk and we were joined by lots of families with their children, in some cases with their dogs, as well as people with their friends. Everyone had their own story to tell. A day we won't forget.

Thank you again for your support.



On the Jubilee Bridge on the final stage of the walk

CONGRATULATIONS

Our organist, Clem Lewis celebrated his 90th birthday in September. Georgia presented him with a card and we all helped him eat his cake, but he had requested that he receive no presents: instead, he raised £415 for the Mission Aviation Fellowship. They enable thousands of aid, relief and mission projects in really remote places. "Because that's where some of the greatest human needs are."



CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARDS

If you would like to buy charity Christmas cards, please see the poster in the church and place an order with the Fairtrade stall holder: Rachel and Andrew Chappell in St Mark's and Anne Austin at Christ Church.

£3 - £3.75

1. **Thinking of You at Christmas**
Blank inside. H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 6. **41208 £3**
2. **Night Before Christmas**
Inside reads: "Happy Christmas". H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **39324 £3.75**
3. **Shepherd Boy**
Inside reads: "With Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year". H17.1 x W12.1cm. Pack of 10. **54732 £3.75**
4. **Candle Glow**
Inside reads: "Wishing you Peace and Joy at Christmas". H17.1 x W12.1cm. Pack of 10. **51130 £3.75**
5. **Silent Night**
Inside reads: "Wishing you Peace and Joy at Christmas", with gold foil. H9.5 x W9.5cm. Pack of 10. **56440 £3.75**
6. **Christmas Robin**
Inside reads: "Happy Christmas". H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **32014 £3.75**
7. **Light of The World**
Inside reads: "Wishing you a Peaceful Christmas and New Year". H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **39590 £3.75**
8. **O Come Let Us Adore Him**
Inside reads: "Christmas Blessings". H17.1 x W12.1cm. Pack of 10. **45766 £3.75**

£3.95

1. **Holy Night**
Inside reads: "Christmas Blessings". H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **29648 £3.95**
2. **Mary and Child**
Inside reads: "Wishing you a Peaceful Christmas and New Year". H17.1 x W12.1cm. Pack of 10. **41656 £3.95**
3. **Journey to Bethlehem**
Inside reads: "Wishing you Peace and Joy at Christmas". Bible Verse: Isaiah 7:14. H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **44662 £3.95**
4. **Away in a Manger**
Inside reads: "Christmas Blessings". H22.8 x W9.5cm. Pack of 10. **56624 £3.95**
5. **Worship The King**
Inside reads: "With Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year". Bible Verse: Matthew 2:11. H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **44726 £3.95**
6. **Dove of Peace**
Inside reads: "Wishing you a Peaceful Christmas and New Year". H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **58498 £3.95**
7. **Holy Family**
Inside reads: "Christmas Blessings". Sourced in the UK. H13.7 x W13.7cm. Pack of 10. **66876 £3.95**
8. **African Nativity**
Inside reads: "With Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year". H17.1 x W12.1cm. Pack of 10. **61190 £3.95**

£4.50 - £4.95

1. **The Holy Infant is Born**
Inside reads: "Wishing you a Peaceful Christmas and New Year" with gold foil finish. H22.8 x 8.5cm. Pack of 10. 2 Designs. **59876 £4.50**
2. **The Christmas Story**
Inside reads: "With Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year". H15.2 x W15.2cm. Pack of 10. One card with vertical bi-fold. **48902 £4.50**
3. **Christmas Silhouettes**
Inside reads: "Wishing you a Peaceful Christmas and New Year". H9.5 x W9.5cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **32938 £4.95**
4. **Joy, Hope, Peace, Glory**
Inside reads: "Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year" with gold foil finish. H9.5 x W9.5cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **57782 £4.95**
5. **Christmas Watercolours**
Inside reads: "Wishing you Peace and Joy at Christmas". H9.5 x W9.5cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **32932 £4.95**
6. **A Saviour is Born**
Inside reads: "Wishing you Peace and Joy at Christmas". H9.5 x W13.7cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **54734 £4.95**
7. **Follow the Star**
Inside reads: "Christmas Blessings". H9.5 x W9.5cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **53514 £4.95**
8. **Christmas Babies**
Inside reads: "Wishing you Peace and Joy at Christmas". H9.5 x W9.5cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **38810 £4.95**
9. **Let it Snow**
Inside reads: "Happy Christmas". H9.5 x W9.5cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **43662 £4.95**
10. **A Shary Night**
Inside reads: "Wishing you a Peaceful Christmas and New Year. Bible Verse: Matthew 2:10. "When they saw the star, they were overjoyed". H9.5 x W13.7cm. Pack of 20. 4 Designs. **46516 £4.95**

To order, please contact:

Proceeds from the sale of these cards supports:



Thank you!

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DATES IN OCTOBER 2018

1st Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
2nd Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
3rd Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
3rd Wed 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Garden Club at Christ Church Vicarage Garden</i>
3rd Wed 11.00am	<i>Morning worship at Courtland Lodge</i>
5th Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>
6th Sat 10.00am-12.00noon	<i>Coffee, Tea & Cakes in Christ Church</i>
7th Sun 8.00am	<i>Holy Communion at Christ Church</i>
7th Sun 9.30am	<i>Service of the Word and Communion at St Mark's</i>
7th Sun 10.30am	<i>Fairtrade Stall after the service at St Mark's</i>
7th Sun 11.00am	<i>Service of the Word at Christ Church</i>
7th Sun 4.00pm	<i>Afternoon worship in Hollytree House Lounge</i>
8th Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
9th Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
9th Tue 7.45 for 8.00pm start	<i>Gather Round ...Ladies in Christ Church hall: "The evolution and role of a PCSO." All ladies welcome</i>
10th Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
10th Wed 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Garden Club at Christ Church Vicarage Garden</i>
12th Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>
13th Sat 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Breakfast at St Marks</i>
13th Sat 7.15pm	<i>Kwa Mkono Quiz at Christ Church. £8 a head to include "ploughman's" supper. Please bring your own drinks</i>
14th Sun 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer at St Mark's</i>
14th Sun 11.00am	<i>Parish Communion at Christ Church</i>
14th Sun 6.30pm	<i>Evening Worship at St Mark's</i>
15th Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
16th Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
16th Tue 2.30pm	<i>Tuesday Circle at St Mark's: Sister Diana from the Church Army</i>
17th Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
17th Wed 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Garden Club at Christ Church Vicarage Garden</i>
19th Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>
20th Sat 11.00am-3.00pm	<i>Gift & Craft Fayre at Christ Church. In aid of Lift Off!</i>
21st Sun 8.00am	<i>Holy Communion at Christ Church, followed by breakfast</i>
21st Sun 9.30am	<i>Parish Communion at St Mark's</i>
21st Sun 11.00am	<i>Morning Prayer at Christ Church</i>
21st Sun 12.00noon	<i>Fairtrade Stall after the service at Christ Church</i>
21st Sun 4.00-6.00pm	<i>Messy Church at Christ Church</i>
22nd Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
23rd Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
24th Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
24th Wed 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Garden Club at Christ Church Vicarage Garden</i>
26th Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>
27th Sat 7.30am	<i>Men's Breakfast at St Mark's</i>
27th Sat 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Breakfast at St Marks</i>

OCTOBER contd.	
28th Sun	The clocks go back
28th Sun 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer at St Mark's</i>
28th Sun 11.00am	<i>Parish Communion at Christ Church</i>
29th Mon 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Holiday Club at St Andrews</i>
30th Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Holiday Club at St Andrews</i>
31st Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
31st Wed 4.30	<i>Lift Off! Light Party at St Andrews</i>

Buy House/Contents Insurance and benefit your Church!

For this year only, the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office (E.I.O.) is offering £130 to the Church for each House/Contents Insurance policy purchased by a member of the congregation. This is to celebrate their 130th Anniversary and I and another church member have already taken out a policy, benefitting the Church by £260. We have both found the premiums quoted very reasonable, so if your house/contents policy is up for renewal, please try E.I.O. for a quote. Their website is www.ecclesiastical.com/Trust130 and nominate Christ Church Watford to receive their donation of £130. You don't have to accept their quote but you do have to take out a policy to claim the £130. Give them a try – please!

Ray Andrews - Treasurer

War Memorial



We have, as I'm sure you will be pleased to know, finally found a contractor to repair our War Memorial. I hope you will agree with me, that it is a very important part of Christ Church and should be maintained as such. There are many people, in our parish and elsewhere, whose relative's names appear on the memorial and their memories should be preserved.

We would like to get the work finished by November 11th this year, which will be the centenary of the signing of the Armistice which ended the First World War.

The total cost of the work will be in the region of £11,500, of which £5,000 will come from our insurers and hopefully we will be able to find the balance from our reserves. However, it was suggested that members of the congregation might like to make a contribution, perhaps in memory of someone they knew or knew of, who gave their lives in the Great War or one of the many other wars, that have blighted this world since then.

If you would like to contribute, please contact me or Duncan or a Church Warden. Any cheques should be made payable to Christ Church PCC.

Thank you very much in advance.

Ray Andrews – Treasurer (Christ Church)



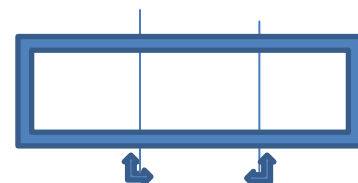
A Plea from the Treasurer

Opening the envelopes in the collection can be, and often is, a nightmare. The new plastic notes don't take to folding and are very difficult to control when released from the envelope. So, could you please just fold your £5 and £10 notes vertically, twice along the length (as per illustration below) and then I think you will find that they fit into the envelopes quite neatly. £20 notes can be folded as usual. FOLD 1 FOLD 2

This will make my Monday morning job a lot easier.

So, many thanks in advance.

Ray Andrews – Treasurer





Gift & Craft Fayre

Saturday 20th October

TOMBOLA 11am to 3pm **RAFFLE**
Christ Church,
St Albans Road, Watford

Lots of stalls selling lovely gifts and crafts.
Start Christmas shopping early!

Free entry. Refreshments available.

Raffle prizes include: Vue cinema tickets,
Signed WFC Banner, Spa treatments, 3 month
membership at Feel Good Health Club, Harry
Potter tickets, Gambado tickets, D20 café
voucher, The Shapla Indian restaurant voucher
and more.



For more information please email
Rachel at chappells@ntlworld.com

All proceeds will be donated to our families outreach project Lift Off!
To find out more at www.liftoff.org.uk or see our Facebook page

Gather
Ladies
Round

GATHER ROUND.... LADIES

On the 11th September we welcomed a visiting speaker, who told us about "Watford's Hidden Almshouses". We were fascinated to discover that there used to be 10 different sets of almshouses in the area - and several remain. Our next meeting will be on **October 9th**, 7.45pm for 8pm start in Christ Church hall. We will be welcoming another visiting speaker, on the topic of "The evolution and role of a PCSO (police community support officer)".

DATES IN NOVEMBER 2018

3rd Sat 10.00am-12.00noon	<i>Coffee, Tea & Cakes in Christ Church</i>
4th Sun 8.00am	<i>Holy Communion at Christ Church</i>
4th Sun 9.30am	<i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion at St Mark's</i>
4th Sun 10.30am	<i>Fairtrade Stall after the service at St Mark's</i>
4th Sun 11.00am	<i>Service of the Word at Christ Church</i>
4th Sun 3.00pm	<i>Memorial Service at Christ Church</i>
5th Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
6th Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
7th Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
7th Wed 11.00am	<i>Morning worship at Courtland Lodge</i>
9th Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>
10th Sat 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Breakfast at St Marks</i>
11th Sun	<i>Remembrance Sunday</i>
11th Sun 10.45am	<i>Remembrance Day service at St Mark's</i>
11th Sun 10.45am	<i>Remembrance Day Service of the Word with Communion at Christ Church</i>
11th Sun 6.30pm	<i>Evensong at Christ Church</i>
12th Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
13th Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
13th Tue 7.45 for 8.00pm start	<i>Gather Round ...Ladies in Christ Church hall: beetle drive</i>
14th Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
14th Wed 7.30pm	<i>PCC Meeting at St Marks</i>
16th Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>
18th Sun 8.00am	<i>Holy Communion at Christ Church, followed by breakfast</i>
18th Sun 9.30am	<i>Parish Communion at St Mark's</i>
18th Sun 11.00am	<i>Morning Prayer at Christ Church</i>
18th Sun 12.00noon	<i>Fairtrade Stall after the service at Christ Church</i>
18th Sun 4.00-6.00pm	<i>Messy Church at Christ Church</i>
19th Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
20th Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
20th Tue 2.30pm	<i>Tuesday Circle at St Mark's: Christmas Cards</i>
21st Wed 10.00am	<i>Morning Prayer at Christ Church</i>
23rd Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>
24th Sat 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Breakfast at St Marks</i>
24th Sat 7.30am	<i>Men's Breakfast at St Mark's</i>
24th Sat 2.00-4.00pm	<i>St Marks Christmas Bazaar at St Mark's</i>
25th Sun 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer at St Mark's</i>
25th Sun 11.00am	<i>Parish Communion and Sunday School at Christ Church</i>
26th Mon 3.45pm	<i>Lift Off! Explorers at St Marks</i>
27th Tues 9.30am	<i>Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Marks</i>
28th Wed 10.00am	<i>Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Christ Church</i>
30th Fri 4.30pm	<i>Lift Off! Ignite at St Marks</i>

CHRIST CHURCH & ST MARK'S, WATFORD MISSION STATEMENT

WE ARE people who are drawn together by our Christian belief and our response to God.

WE BELIEVE that God reveals himself to us in many ways as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and that people can live in a loving relationship with God and with each other in Christ.

WE AIM to follow Christ's teaching and example, living a full life in every community in which we are involved, sharing our faith with others through example, worship and service.

We are a Fairtrade parish.

We use only fairly traded tea and coffee at our church events.

Fairtrade stalls are held after the main morning services:

at St Mark's on the 1st Sunday in the month and

at Christ Church on the 3rd Sunday in the month.



DIGITAL PARISH INFORMATION SHEET

The full colour version of the current Information Sheet will soon be available from our website: www.christchurchandstmarkswatford.org.uk or contact the office to receive a copy by email.

THE NEXT EDITION

The next edition of the Information Sheet is scheduled to be published at the end of November, to cover all events in December 2018 and January 2019.

If you have any articles or information for inclusion, please send them to the Parish Office by post or email to ccwatford@btinternet.com by 22nd November.

www.christchurchandstmarkswatford.org.uk

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