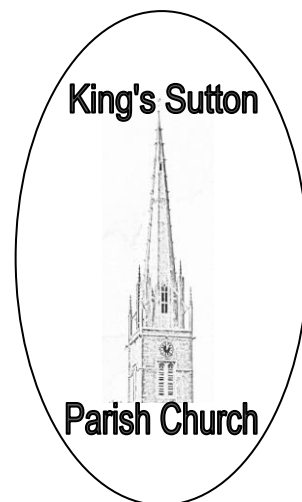


PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

January 2019

Come and join us



January 6th THE EPIPHANY Mass 11am

The Epiphany comes hot on the heels of the New Year – the twelfth day after Christmas. The Epiphany comes from the Greek word meaning ‘to reveal’, and it is when Jesus is revealed to the Gentiles (non-Jewish people) as represented by the Magi who visit the baby. (Matthew 2: 1 – 12). This emphasizes that the Good News of Jesus Christ is for all. Come and celebrate this with us, at this service: refreshments will be served afterwards.

January 20th CHRISTINGLE 4pm

This service is all about light, calling to mind the words of an old man, Simeon, who said of Jesus that he was ‘a light to lighten the gentiles’. This was when Jesus was taken by Mary and Joseph to the Temple in Jerusalem. All first-born sons were offered by parents to the Lord in this way as an acknowledgement that their sons were a gift from God.



Christingle itself is a tradition from Moravia in central Europe. An orange represents the world, around it there is a red ribbon, representing Christ’s blood, by which we find redemption. There are four sets of fruits - the fruits of the earth and the four corners of the world, in other words, the things of creation are for everyone. On the top a candle: Christ the light of the world. The collection at the service is for the Children’s Society working with disadvantaged young people in the UK.

January 26th DEE’S DEE-LIGHTS 10.30 – 12 noon in church

*A warm welcome,
cakes, a small raffle,
books, tea and coffee!*

January 27th A SERVICE TO MARK THE END OF THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 6pm

Resources for 2019 have been prepared by Christians from Indonesia. The words of Deuteronomy, "Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue..." (see Deut. 16:18-20) spoke powerfully to their situation.

"The Churches of Indonesia... speak out of a context of ethnic and religious diversity, and where there is a strong emphasis upon the need for a unity that is found in diversity, and one built on solidarity and collaboration. Yet they also highlight issues of economic injustice and how religious pluralism can face challenges in the face of radicalization." *Bob Fyffe, General Secretary, Churches Together in Britain and Ireland.*

At this service we give thanks for the opportunities we have for Christians of differing denominations to come together to worship.

Celebration of Light

Since the last newsletter, the floodlighting has been sponsored to remember:

November	16 th	Clive Ward
November	19 th	Snowy Wyatt
November	27 th	Sophie Hamilton
November	30 th	Iris Tustain
December	3 rd	John McCarthy
December	6 th	Moira Holcombe
December	8 th	Martin Pewsey
December	16 th	Eve Trinder
December	30 th	Geoff Smith

If you would like to sponsor the floodlights of the church to remember an anniversary or other significant event in your family, please either contact Stephen Allday (811473) or take a form from the ledge just inside the church.

MANY THANKS to all those in our community who came and supported the recent Christmas Fayre. The sum of £1300 was raised for church funds. Thank you.

To think about.....

“We are made for co-operation, like feet, like hands, like eyelids, like the rows of the upper and lower teeth. To act against one another is contrary to nature.”

Marcus Aurelius

Children and families

PARENT AND TODDLER WORSHIP: Every Friday in term time at 9.30am, restarting in the New Year on Friday 11th January.

FAMILY WORSHIP: Our Christingle Service is on Sunday 20th January at 4pm, and Family Worship on Sunday 27th at 10am.



Services at Newbottle: Contact David Morgan (811404 for confirmation)

January	6 th	The Epiphany	Sung Eucharist	9.30 am
January	13 th	Epiphany 2	Matins	9.30 am
January	20 th	Epiphany 3	Sung Eucharist	9.30 am
January	27 th	Epiphany 4	Matins	9.30 am

The Catholic Congregation meets for Mass at 9am each Sunday
in the Parish Church.

Fr James Evans is the parish priest: 01295 660592

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Proposed Calendar of Services for January 2019

Please check with notice board in church or contact the Warden

Tues	1	
Weds	2	
Thurs	3	
Fri	4	
Sat	5	
Sun	6	The Epiphany: Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	7	
Tues	8	<i>S Lucian:</i> Mass 9.30am
Weds	9	
Thurs	10	
Fri	11	<i>Mary Slessor:</i> Parent & Toddlers' Worship 9.30am
Sat	12	
Sun	13	The Baptism of Christ / Epiphany 2: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	14	
Tues	15	Mass 9.30am
Weds	16	
Thurs	17	
Fri	18	<i>Amy Carmichael:</i> Parent & Toddlers' Worship 9.30am
Sat	19	
Sun	20	Epiphany 3: Mass 11am; Christingle 4pm
Mon	21	
Tues	22	<i>Vincent of Saragossa:</i> Mass 9.30am
Weds	23	
Thurs	24	
Fri	25	<i>Conversion of S Paul:</i> Parent & Toddlers' Worship 9.30am
Sat	26	
Sun	27	Epiphany 4: Mass 8am; Family Worship 10am; Sung Mass 11am; Service to mark the week of Christian Unity 6pm
Mon	28	
Tues	29	Mass 9.30am
Weds	30	
Thurs	31	

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