

Christ Church and St. Peter's Mountsorrel



Dear Friends,

We're all much better at asking, than saying "thank you". Most of us are very aware of our needs and wants, If it's true when we're speaking to members of our family or our friends, it's equally true when it comes to prayer.

Most of us come to God with our shopping lists of requests, People, situations etc. And God answers our prayers in the best way possible -and yet He gets few expressions of thanks compared to our requests. Harvest Thanksgiving this month is an opportunity to balance things up. We can say thank you for the harvest of the land and the harvest of the sea. We can thank God for those who work long hours to produce and transport our food. Above all, we can thank God for rain, sun, warmth and cold, and the miracle of growth and harvest.

In a world where we so often hear bad news, it's good to give thanks for the good news of harvest safely gathered in.

KERRY EMMETT.

FUN@4

FUN© 4 continues on the 1st Sunday of each month at Christ Church at 4pm -6th September, 4th October, 1st November & 6th December. Service - activities - Sunday tea. Details from Tricia Emmett 0116 2302235

SENIOR SUNDAY

Senior Sunday continues at St. Peter's on the 1st Sunday of each month at 4pm. 6th September. 4th October, 1st November & 6th December.

Entertainment. Tea. Short Service. Details from Lesley Strange 0116 2106379

CHRIST CHURCH & ST. PETER'S MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Meets on 1st Monday of each month in the Bower Room at Christ Church. A variety of activities. More info from Joe Hampson 01509 822909

CHRIST CHURCH LADIES EVENING

Meets on 3rd Monday of each month in the Bower Room at Christ Church. A variety of activities. Want to know more? Contact Rose Uff 015090416946

AFTER EVENSONG CONCERTS

After Evensong concerts are held at St Peter's on the 5th Sunday of the month. Evensong 6pm. Free concert at 7.15pm approx. No charge. Refreshments afterwards.

J.A.M. (Jesus & Me)

A new, and exciting time of worship, for all ages (0 - 100+).

Starting on September 20th with a Harvest Celebration; it will happen on the 3rd Sunday of every month. Starting at 4pm it will last no longer than one hour and will include a short time of lively worship with songs, activities (crafts) and ending with refreshments.

For the Harvest celebration your gifts of produce will be gratefully received and will be given to the housebound, elderly and needy.

More information - from Tricia Emmett. 0116 2302235

HARVEST FESTIVAL - 20TH SEPTEMBER

As well as JAM at Christ Church, there will also be a service of Morning Worship at Christ Church at 11am - and Choral Evening at St Peter's at 6pm.

ALPHA COURSE

The Alpha Course starts Friday 25th September at 7pm, at the Bower Room, Christ Church.

Alpha is a Friday evening, 12 week course for anyone who has questions about the Christian faith, or is wanting to explore the meaning of life. It includes a meal each week, followed by a DVD talk and a time of discussion. The course aims to be relaxed, friendly and fun. Please contact Christine Butcher for more information.

Back to Church Sunday on 27th September

Please invite your neighbours/ family/ friends to our 'Back to Church' Services. "COME AS YOU ARE" is the theme. Christ Church's service starts at 11am and St. Peter's is at 6pm. Refreshments will be served after each service. For more information, please contact Kerry or Christine.

PRAISE SERVICE - 11TH OCTOBER

Our occasional series of Praise Services continues at Christ Church at 6pm on 11th October; Lots of modern, Christian songs in a lively format.

MEMORIAL SERVICE - 25th OCTOBER

The annual /Memorial Service when those who have been bereaved in the last three years are invited back, takes place at Christ Church on Sunday 25th October at 4pm. All who would find this service helpful are invited to attend.

SHAKESPEARE IN WORD AND SONG

This special event takes place at St Peter's on Saturday 10th October at 7.30pm. Tickets are £8. A programme of declamation and song with Michael G Jones, (formerly with the Royal Shakespeare Company, Chichester Festival etc), Susie Lockyer (Soprano), Robert Bateman (Baritone) and John Strange (Piano). Refreshments provided.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The annual Service of Remembrance takes place at St Peter's at 3pm on Remembrance Sunday.

CHRIST CHURCH PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Christ Church celebrates its Patronal Festival on the Feast of Christ The King - Sunday 22nd November – at 11am - followed by a Bring and Share Lunch.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The village Christmas Lights will be switched on in the first week of December. The "switch on" will be preceded by carol singing by children from Christ Church & St Peter's C of E Primary School - and by carols for us all to sing. The event will start at 6pm. Watch out for further details.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL |

Once again, Christ Church is holding a Christmas Tree Festival on Friday 4th, Saturday 5th, and Sunday 6th December. Watch out for further details.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 20th December 6pm, Carol Service at St Peter's. Christmas Eve 4pm Christingle and Crib Service at Christ Church.

Next Edition of this Newsletter will be published in December.