

St Swithun's Church News 19th Nov

ST SWITHUN'S THIS WEEK

Sunday 19th Nov 2nd before Advent

9.30am

Celebrant: Revd Dan Shackell

3.00pm

Organ Recital

Tuesday

Compline (by Zoom)

9pm

nigelg8@gmail.com

Wednesday

Centering Prayer

Thursday

10.am

Celebrant:

Revd Dan Shackell

Dedication:

Clement, bishop, martyr

10.45am

Coffee

11.00am

Advent Group

9pm

Compline (by Zoom)

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Sunday 26th Nov Sunday before Advent

9.30am

Christ the King

Celebrant:

Revd Lorna Johnson

Stick with Love – Advent Group

Kathrine will lead us in looking at this inspiring book, with its mixture of readings and moving stories. Free copies are available, if needed.

Social Events at St. Swithun's Are printed overleaf. If you are interested in helping with any of the events listed, please have a word with Rose, Angie, Caroline, Liz, Lorna, Elwyn or Mandi.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who are sick – from our community at St. Swithun's, please pray especially for Deb, Melissa, Liz, Sue and Cunha.

Pat Spiller R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of her soul. She died peacefully, at home on Tuesday.

ST SWITHUN'S PEWSHEET

Please send information by 5pm the preceding Monday to: msturrock@pancathay.com

Repair & Renewal Update

As you can see we have taken out the choir pews, reboarded the floor to create a level area and shortly there will be some new carpet. Chris Walliker is working with some chair manufacturers to borrow some examples of church chairs to put in the newly created space. This will give us a chance to try out different shapes and designs. We will get your comments and this will help us choose the right chairs for permanent use. There will be an opportunity to name a chair in memory of a loved one.

The new layout will also enable us to experiment with different ways of gathering together for the Eucharist and, in particular, to emphasise that the Mass is the action of the whole church not just of the altar party. Please do feel a real part of these trials and feed back your ideas. Nothing will happen quickly so there will be enough time to consider the changes from all perspectives.

We are one community; we want to reflect that!

Forthcoming Events at St. Swithun's

Fun Quiz Night Friday **17 November**

6.30pm. Add your names to the list at the back of the Church. Donations of raffle and quiz prizes are most welcome.

BCO Autumn Concert Sun **26 November**

Community Coffee Morning (first Thurs monthly)

7 December 9.30 - 11.30am + Christmas Stall

4 January 9.30 - 11.00am

Fresh FREE coffee, snacks and cakes; raffle in a aid of a local Charity; raising funds to replace broken church garden bench.

Please give any Christmas gifts (for stall) or donations (for the bench) to Caroline, Rose, or Liz.

Advent Group Thursdays 11.00am

7 December, then 14 & 21 December

Wild and Messy Church Thursdays

3.30pm till 5.30pm. **14 December** in St.

Swithun's Church Hall. Speak to Angie for details on 07704959426

Carol Service Sunday **17 December**

3.30pm. with St.Mary's and St.Catherine's Catholic Church.