



St Anne's Church, West Heath

Church Warden's Update

November 2024

This is the twentieth update.

The arrangements for Sunday services in November are:

3rd November: 10am Holy Communion Service led by Revd. Jayne Crooks, including J.A.M. Club

10th November: **10:45 am** Remembrance Sunday Service led by Reader Emeritus Ian Bradley, including J.A.M. Club.

17th November: 10am Holy Communion Service led by Revd. John Nightingale, including J.A.M. Club

24th November: 10 am Holy Communion Service led by Revd. John Barnett, including J.A.M. Club.

- Revd. Jayne Crooks will lead a Holy Communion service on Thursday 21st November at 10:30 am in St Francis Chapel.
- Thank you to the choir and recorder group for a wonderful Birthday concert. This time they were very adventurous and finished their performance with a piece performed by the choir and the recorder group which was really difficult but which they handled extremely well—congratulations to all involved. Please see overleaf for photographs of the concert.
- The skip was due to be delivered on Friday 1st November so hopefully by the time you read this we will have filled it with all our rubbish.
- Malcolm has volunteered to try to sell all the audio equipment we no longer need. This will probably be very time consuming but will hopefully bring in some much needed funds.
- Thank you to everyone who has returned keys they no longer need. Stephen Skewes and I have checked the records for key holders and are now updating the list.
- Chrissie Price applied for a second grant of £1,000 for Little Stars which has become a 'place of warm welcome'. We have actually been awarded an additional £3,000 which will be put to good use by the Little Stars team.
- The Church Leaders team met and planned the Carol Service and set the dates for some of the services in 2025.
- The Pastoral Team and the Standing Committee also continue to meet once a month. These meetings help us ensure that we are well organised during the interregnum.
- Our Christmas Fayre is planned for Saturday 30th November and we really need your help with this as it is our main fund raising event of the year. We need items for the Christmas food hamper and the chocolate treasure chest which will be two of the main prizes in the raffle. We also need items to be tombola prizes, books, jigsaws and bric-a-brac. Items can be left in church on Sunday mornings or taken to the church hall on Friday 29th November during the day. We also need volunteers to man the stalls on the day. Please let me know if you are able to help.
- I hope that the combination of weekly notice sheets, PCC minutes and Warden Updates are keeping everyone well informed about what is happening at St Anne's.
- If you have any questions, ideas or concerns about the interregnum please speak to me.

Thank you for your ongoing support, Georgina Arnold 1st November 2024

Joan Ayre retires from her role as Reader.



During the service Joan read the gospel and then towards the end of the service she was presented with a letter from Bishop Michael who thanked her for all her hard work as a Reader and made her a Reader Emeritus. She was also presented with a Bible and a card as a thank you from all of the congregation.



Birthday Concert
performed by the Choir and
the Recorder Group.