

NOTICES

Does anyone know the **whereabouts of the wooden shelves** specially made to go on the church window ledges for floral decorations? Please contact Mervyn or Valerie Campbell on 722563.

Richard Warren has recently published his book "...And the Road Below Me" being an account of his journey overland from England to Assam in 1962. Copies will be available in the Parish Centre between the services on Sunday morning 20th November. The total proceeds will be divided between the Lingen Davies Cancer Centre Appeal at Shrewsbury Hospital and the Strettons Mayfair Trust.

The **'BIG CAROL CHOIR'** that sang last Christmas at the Carol Service received much enthusiastic praise. If you enjoyed taking part, or would like to join this year, **REHEARSALS** will start on **THIS SUNDAY 20TH, at 5pm** in the PARISH CENTRE. All are welcome. (Carol Service: Sun 18th December in St Laurence's.) Do come and help us proclaim the Good News!

Richard Hill has gift aid forms for **Fane Conant's ministry** if anyone who would like to support his ministry financially.

Please look in the rack at the back of St. Laurence's for **new flyers** including Christian job opportunities and Friends First, a "friendly and supportive organisation, specialising in helping Christians to find their other halves".

We are now booking for **New Wine 2012** to take advantage of the 'Super Early Bird' reduced prices before 30th November 2011. Adults £122 and children vary according to age at 31st August 2012. The prices include entry to all venues all day, full use of facilities on site and the camping pitch. Come and join us and see the church and the nation changed by our Lord Jesus. Contact Christine or John Hughes tel. no. 722582 or email: jonhughes@uwclub.net by next **Wednesday 23rd November.**

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*Growing together in
Faith, Hope & Love;
Sharing the Good News
of Jesus with all'*

20th November 2011
Sunday next before Advent
Christ the King

Readings: St Laurence's: Acts 12.1-11; John 13.31-38

Lectionary: Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24; Ephesians 1.15-13; Matthew 25.31-end

Hymns at St. Laurence's: CP474; WT413; WT35; CP376

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." John 13.34

Next Sunday we welcome Ralph and Carol Upton from the Valley of Hope project. Please sign the sheet at the back of St. Laurence's if you can join them for a lunch at 12.30 in the Parish Centre. Everyone is very welcome.

St. Laurence's	8.00	Holy Communion (TRAD)	John Hughes
	9.30	Holy Communion	Rector John Hughes
	11.05	Special	Rector John Hughes
St. Michael's	10.30	Morning Worship	Suzan Williams
All Saints	11.00	Morning Prayer	Louise Magowan Robert Rayner

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

We pray for those who mourn, particularly the friends and family **Angela Smallwood** whose funeral is at the crematorium on 21 November at 2pm and **Molly Cooke** whose funeral is on 26 November at 9.30am at St. Laurence's. We are saddened by the death of **Beryl Powell** who died this week. Funeral arrangements will be announced next week.

The Memorial Book: We give thanks for the life of Cyril Hendrick Sumpter who died 23 November 1990, Percy William (Bill) Gatter who died 24 November 1997, Derek William Pyle who died 26 November 1999 and Rev Geoffrey Dickenson who died 26 November 2003

The sick: We pray for Barbara Adams, Rosemary Oxberry, David & Helen Hotton, Margaret Carey, Sheena Thomas, Pam Williams, Audrey Seager, Jim Reeves, Richard Warren, Joan Davies, Ray Edwards, Brian Hazeldine, Leslie Harrison, Val Jones, Doreen Taylor and their families and friends. (Names are included only with permission).

Residential Homes: Sandford Nursing Home

World Mission Intercessions : This week we are praying for Christians throughout the world who are persecuted for their faith, and their families who are affected by their persecution.



Valley of Hope: Our Church Army mission partners, Ralph and Carol Upton from the Valley of Hope project are visiting on Sunday 27th Nov to share information about their challenging work. Ralph will be preaching at 9.30 and 11.05 in St Laurence's.

At 12.30 there will be a simple hot lunch in the Parish Centre followed by an enjoyable time of learning and discussion led by Ralph, finishing around 3pm. (Children's activity available after lunch). Please sign the sheets in church if you plan to come. Donations for VOH.

Can we also collect toiletries for Ralph to take back for VOH clients at Christmas - both men and women? There is a box in the parish centre. (No fancy gift packs, just straightforward toiletries). Let's be generous - the economic situation makes the situation of their clients even tougher.

Members of the church family:
Geoffrey Trewinard, Ruby Trow, Margaret Trow, Beverley & Mike Turner, Gillian & Richard Turner
Jones

DIARY

TUESDAY 22nd November

7.00 p.m.—Bellringing

WEDNESDAY 23rd

8.30 a.m.— Morning Prayer

2.45 p.m.— Holy Communion—Caradoc House

3.15 p.m.— Holy Communion—Field House

7.00 p.m.— Worship Choir—Upstairs, Parish Centre

7.30 p.m.— Prayer Meeting—Owen Room

THURSDAY 24th

10.00 a.m.—Parents and Toddlers

11.30 a.m.—Holy Communion—John Hughes

5.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer - 10, Kings Court

7.30 p.m.—PCC—Upstairs, Parish Centre

FRIDAY 25th

9.30 a.m.—Women's Bible Study, Owen Room

SUNDAY 27th

St. Laurence's	8.00	Holy Communion	Nancy Cleaton
	9.30	Morning Worship	Rector Ralph Upton
	11.05	Special	Rector John Hughes
St. Michael's	6.00	Communion—Celebrating Wholeness & Healing	Suzan Williams Rector
	10.30	Holy Communion	Nancy Cleaton Ralph Upton
All Saints	11.00	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Louise Magowan Robert Rayner

Tearcraft Sale There will be opportunity to buy your Christmas presents from the wide selection of goods produced by Tearfund partners around the world today while drinking your tea or coffee in the Parish Centre. If anyone would like a catalogue from which to select and order goods, please see Peter Hammersley.

Coming Up—United Service celebrating **Bible Sunday**. December 4 at 3pm in St Laurence's Church. Preacher is Revd Richard Hill, on The Transforming Power of the Bible. Refreshments to follow.

St. Michael's Church Fellowship will meet on Tuesday 6th December at 2.30pm for **Readings and Carols**. Everyone welcome.