

The Moat



The magazine for St. Mary's Parish Church
and the local community of Hobs Moat



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8:00 am : Holy Communion

10:00 am : Parish Communion (All Age Worship on 1st Sunday)

6.30 pm : Wholeness and Healing Service (On 3rd Sunday)

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1st Tuesday of the month -11.00 am : “Reflections” Service

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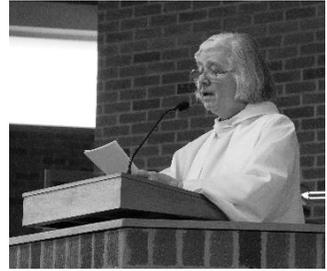
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Focal Point...

November is always the month of remembering. Our annual Memorial Service gives us the opportunity to remember those we have loved who are with us no longer.



Remembrance Sunday is the opportunity to give thanks for those who have lost their lives to maintain the peace of our country.

On November 5th, of course we remember Guy Fawkes as people celebrate with bonfires and fireworks. Most of us like to watch these displays unless we are trying to protect animals who get distressed at the noises.

Perhaps we should also make time to remember all that God has done for us in this past year, whether that be something to celebrate, or comfort in sadness, or healing in mind or body or spirit. And what about thanking God for the people around us, for the wonderful world in which we live. A good time to remind ourselves not to take these things for granted.

As the dark nights draw in let us make time for all these thanks, time to talk to God in prayer and recognise that he is with us always, in the dark as well as the light of our lives.

With every Blessing,

Linda.

Thought for the Month

Help us, O Lord, when we want to do the right thing, but know not what it is.

But help us most when we know perfectly well what we ought to do and do not want to do it.
Amen.

Peter Marshall



From The Musicians' Gallery...

It was lovely to be able to share my last 'official' service as St. Mary's Director of Music & Organist with so many people on at the beginning of October at our Harvest Festival Service. A Big Thank you to everyone who stayed to join us for refreshments. It all helped to make it a very happy morning. Thank you too Marina for providing the lovely cake.



It's sad to be leaving the position that I've held for 17 - almost 18 years (in December) but sometimes we are obliged to listen to and do something about health issues. However, there is talk of my being invited back to play occasionally and I look forward to that. Meanwhile I shall be finding my place in the pews.

Thank you again for a lovely occasion which will be remembered for a long time.



Every blessing, Juanita

Thank You



Linda and all of the people of St. Mary's would like to say a huge thank you to Juanita for her last 17 years of hard work and dedication in her role of Director of Music and Organist. Thanks also to Juanita, as she recently helped in the recruitment of her replacement, and we are just waiting for the start date for the new incumbent to be organised. Thankfully, we haven't totally lost Juanita as she will still be worshipping with us at St. Mary's, and making an occasional appearance for us on the organ. We hope that you enjoy a long and happy retirement.

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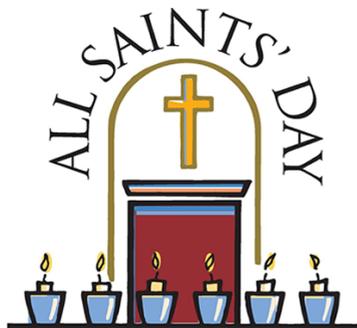


All Saint's Day

All Saints' Day (also known as All Hallows' Day or Hallowmas) is the day after All Hallows' Eve (Hallowe'en). It is a feast day celebrated on 1st November by Anglicans and Roman Catholics.

It is an opportunity for believers to remember all saints and martyrs, known and unknown, throughout Christian history. As part of this day of obligation, believers are required to attend church and try not to do any servile work.

Remembering saints and martyrs and dedicating a specific day to them each year has been a Christian tradition since the 4th century AD, but it wasn't until 609AD that Pope Boniface IV decided to remember all martyrs. Originally 13th May was designated as the Feast of All Holy Martyrs. Later, in 837AD, Pope Gregory IV extended the festival to remember all the saints, changed its name to Feast of All Saints and changed the date to 1st November.



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The Moat Players

Rehearsals are now well under way for this year's pantomime, "Scrooge", based on the classic story by Charles Dickens. I say based, because although this show has all of the classic lines that you would recognise from "A Christmas Carol", this particular tale actually takes place in "Scrooge's Sweet Factory".

Show dates are Thurs 12th, Fri 13th and Sat 14th December (with a matinee on the Saturday). Tickets cost £8.00 for adults and £6.50 for concessions, and can be booked by calling the Ticket Hotline on 07760 306605.

We are always looking for new members, so if you are interested in joining one of Solihull's longest running amateur drama groups, pop along to a rehearsal on a Thursday or Sunday evening in the church hall. If you use either Facebook or Twitter, you can keep right up to date with the group's activities by Liking us on Facebook or Following us on Twitter, or finding our website - www.moatplayers.co.uk .

“Cook’s Corner”

CHOCOLATE BISCUIT CAKE (No Bake Cake!)

Ingredients

200g Rich tea or Digestive biscuits
100g Butter or Margarine
40g Cocoa
50g Caster sugar
1 heaped tbsp golden syrup
150g chocolate to melt for topping
Grated zest of an Orange (optional)
1 food bag
1 sponge tin



Method

1. Grease sponge tin with margarine.
2. Place biscuits into food bag and crush coarsely.
3. Place butter, sugar, cocoa, and golden syrup into saucepan. Melt slowly over a LOW heat. Stir with wooden / melamine spoon.
DO NOT BOIL
4. Remove from heat and stir in orange zest.
5. Use a fork to stir in biscuits. Press into tin.
6. Melt chocolate and pour over biscuit mix. Spread and leave to set.
7. Cut into squares.
8. Freeze in a food box and enjoy!

Courtesy of Channy Collins

“Saint of the Month” - November

St. Andrew

St Andrew is the patron saint of Scotland, whose saint's day is celebrated annually on 30th November.

Andrew was one of the original 12 apostles of Christ, and the brother of another apostle, Simon Peter. Both lived and worked as fishermen in Galilee. Very little else is known about Andrew's life.



He is said to have travelled to Greece to preach Christianity, where he was crucified at Patras on an X-shaped cross. This is represented by the diagonal cross, or 'saltire', on Scotland's flag.

Andrew's connection with Scotland relates to the legend that some of his remains were kept at the site that is now the town of St Andrews. A chapel was built to house the remains and became a place of pilgrimage.

St Andrew is also the patron saint of Greece and Russia.

St. Mary's Coffee Morning

St. Mary's is holding it's annual Coffee Morning in aid of church funds on Saturday 23rd November in the church between 10.00 am - 12.00 pm.



Come along and join us for a cuppa, a cake and a chat in the relaxing surrounding of our wonderful church building.

Welcome to Gro-Organic, a multiple award-winning social enterprise.

Based in the West Midlands, our organisation is built from a team of local people who are passionate about creating outstanding green spaces whilst investing in local people and the community. We specialise in the design and building of commercial and domestic landscape gardens, providing a high-calibre service to a range of clients that brings about award-winning transformations to be enjoyed for years to come.

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or email projects@gro-organic.co.uk

Lads & Dads is a new project starting September 2019 providing a varied programme of free weekly activities for boys aged 9-12 and their dads. We want your input on the time and day it should run on and the types of activities you'd like included and we'll gather your feedback on this during the day.






Hobs Moat Location
10am – 3pm
one day a week



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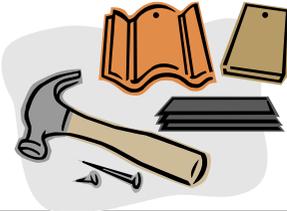
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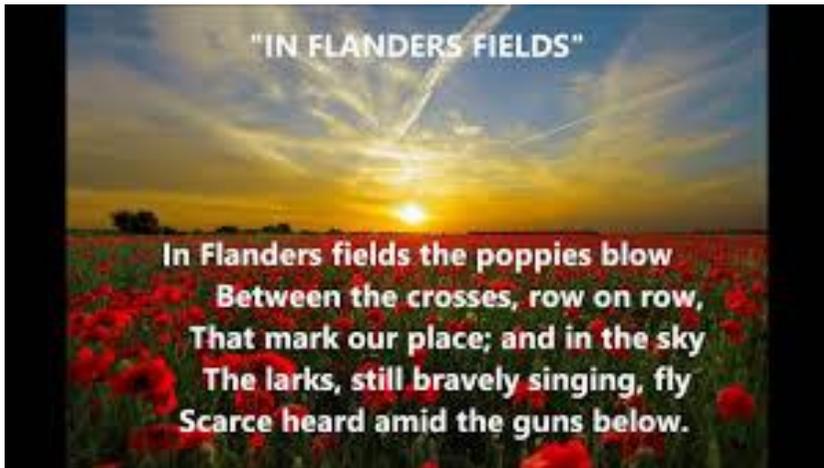
EasyFundraising

As we approach the Christmas season, and we are all beginning to think about the gifts that will be bought to help us celebrate this very special time of the year, did you know that you could help raise funds for St. Mary's whilst you do your shopping online?



All that you need to do is set up an account with Easyfundraising, and then use the website like a search engine to find the store that you want to shop at. If the store is signed up to the Easyfundraising scheme, then St. Mary's will receive a donation every time that you shop there. It is simple to use, and takes about 5 minutes to initially set up. Most of the big online stores are on there, as well as holiday companies, various utility compare sites, and many others. Once you have signed up, there is even a Donation Reminder that you can download to your computer, so you will never have to miss a donation again. There is also an app for those who prefer to shop on their phones or tablets.

To support St Mary's Church Hobs Moat - Solihull, simply visit : www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmaryshobsmoat and follow the instructions.



This excerpt from a longer poem, must be one of the most well-known. It was written during World War I, telling of the sudden death in battle. It was written by a Canadian Major, John McCrae, during the 2nd Battle of Ypres. He was second in command of the 1st Brigade Canadian Field Artillery. It is believed the death of a good friend was the inspiration. Having no chaplain, John McCrae conducted a short service and read out his own poem. Poppy seeds are known to lie dormant for many years and only flower when the ground is well churned up. John McCrae was born on 30th November 1872, the child of Scottish immigrants. Born in Guelph, Ontario, Canadian poet, soldier, and physician John McCrae earned his undergraduate and medical degrees at the University of Toronto, where he received the Gold Medal. As a physician, he worked at Toronto General Hospital, Johns Hopkins Hospital, McGill University, the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Infectious Diseases, Montreal General Hospital, and the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal. He served in the Boer War in South Africa as an artillery subaltern in the Canadian Contingent from 1899 to 1900, was promoted to the rank of major in 1904, and re-enlisted in the First Canadian Contingent soon after the start of World War I. McCrae became a member of the Royal College of Surgeons and was the first Canadian to be appointed consulting surgeon to the British Army. He was sent to set up a hospital in Boulogne. He died in January 1918 from meningitis and pneumonia. He was buried with full military honours the following day, age 45, and is buried in the Wimereux Cemetery near Boulogne, France. His family home in Guelph is preserved as a museum, and the main street in Wimereux is now named Rue McCrae.

Saint Mary's Church, Hobs Moat, Solihull

PRAYER DIARY

NOVEMBER 2019

Lord God, through our prayers help us to purify our desires & our worship; help us in all things to seek your purpose for us. Amen.

- Nov 1** Pray for Wellsford Ave., Harvard Road, & Melton Ave.
For all who care for the sick, the lonely and the homeless.
- Nov 2** Pray for Beamans Close, Lyndon Rd., Campden Green
For Schools in the parish, Governors, Staff and pupils.
- Nov 3** 4th Sunday before Advent. Holy Communion 8am. Parish
Communion
10am. Annul Memorial Service 6pm.
Pray for Daylesford Rd., Eastbury Dr., Blaythorn Ave.
For those who dust and clean St Mary's Church.
- Nov 4** Pray for Dallimore Close, Norbury Grove, Cloudsley Grove
For all who are in employment & those unemployed.
- Nov 5** 'Reflections' 11.30am.
For all organisations who use our Hall each week.
Pray for Ulleries Rd., Burford Close, Colesbourne Rd.
- Nov 6** Knit & Natter 1-3pm.
Pray for Elkstone Close, Brackleys Way & Moordown Ave.
For those who are housebound especially Church members.
- Nov 7** Holy Communion 9.30am.
Pray for Windrush Close, Hobs Meadow, Hobs Moat Road &
Evenlode Rd.
For the witness of St Mary's Church to all who pass by.

- Nov 8 Pray for Westcote Close, Winchcombe Rd., Broadwell Rd.
For the staff and work of Lyndon Clinic.
For Linda our Priest in Charge and Sue who takes services.**
- Nov 9 Pray for Castle Lane, Greyfort Cres., & Arundel Cres.
For our servers and those who assist at Communion.**
- Nov 10 Remembrance Sunday. Holy Communion 8am. All Age Worship
& Parade 10.30am.
Pray for Dene Court Rd., Knightsbridge Rd., The Dell
For all who have disabilities which restrict their lives.**
- Nov 11 Pray for Onslow Cres., Summerfield Rd., Kimberley Rd.
Organist – Shari-Ann.**
- Nov 12 Kingsford Court Holy Communion. 3pm.
Pray for Highwood Av., Oakham Way, Gosford Walk
For those who work at Land Rover Factory and all who
travel through the Parish to work each day.**
- Nov 13 Knit & Natter 1-3pm.
Pray for Berwood Grove, Rodney Rd., Dursley Close
For those who prepare “The Moat” Parish Magazine
Editor, Printers, Assembly Team, Distributors and Readers**
- Nov 14 Holy Communion 9.30am.
Pray for Dovehouse Lane, Dovecote Close, Redfern Close
For the elderly & their pets who help them.**
- Nov 15 Pray for Castle Close, Faulkner Rd., Trinity Close
For Shop keepers and their assistants
For the Pastoral Team who visit the sick.**
- Nov 16 Pray for Cranhill Close & Rodney Close
For those who wash and clean the altar linen at St Mary's.**

- Nov 17 2nd Sunday before Advent. Holy Communion 8am. Parish Communion
10am. Wholeness & Healing Service 6.30pm.
Pray for Old Lode Lane, Jillcot Rd., Jeremy Grove
For those who beautify St Mary's Church with flowers.**
- Nov 18 Pray for Ebrington Ave., Glenside Av., Windsor Drive.
Pray for all Doctors & Specialists & all who care for the sick and lonely.**
- Nov 19 Pray for Merevale Rd., Odensil Green, Tanhouse Farm Rd.
Doctors & Staff at Hobs Moat Medical Centre and Meadowside Surgery.**
- Nov 20 Knit & Natter 1-3pm.
For all sick people especially those in hospital.
Pray for Mayswood Rd., Linsey Rd., Cophams Close
For Sidesmen & women who welcome all who come to St Mary's services.**
- Nov 21 Holy Communion 9.30am.
Pray for Arlescote Rd., Frankton Close, Leafield Rd.
For God's blessing on all mothers, fathers and single parents**
- Nov 22 Pray for Charingworth Rd, Leam Cresc., Lammas Close.
For those who serve coffee after our 10am services.**
- Nov 23 Coffee Morning in Church. 10-12 noon.
Pray for Evenlode Close, Lode Lane, Hillhampton Close.**
- Nov 24 Christ the King. Holy Communion 8am. Parish Comunion 10am.
Pray for Kelham Place, Kempsey Close, Farmstead Rd.
For those who advertise in 'The Moat' Parish magazine.**
- Nov 25 PCC Meeting 7pm.
Pray for St Mary's officials – Greg & Marina our Churchwardens,
Marina our PCC secretary, Vernon our Treasurer.
Pray for Highcroft Close, Norgrove Rd. Woodhall Croft.**

Nov 26 Pray for Meadow centre and its staff, for congregation members living outside the Parish, and all who use the Fitness Centre and Ice Rink.

**Nov 27 Knit & Natter 1-2pm.
Pray for members of PCC committees: Children, Mission and Outreach, Buildings, Social and Fundraising.**

**Nov 28 Holy Communion 9.30am.
Pray for HBCT; Lyndon Methodist, St Thomas More RC, Sheldon Community Church, St Giles, Sheldon, St Nicholas, Elmdon, St Mary's, Hobs Moat and Hermon Mar Thoma.**

Nov 29 Pray for all children, especially those who are ill treated.

**Nov 30 Pray for the Emergency Services' Police, Fire and Ambulance.
Pray for vocations to the Priesthood and other ministries within the Church.**



If you have items, subjects or topics for inclusion in St. Mary's Monthly PRAYER DIARY, please send them to Revd. Linda Granner, either by Telephone 0121 743 4955 or Email: vicar@stmaryschurchhobsmoat.org



Making a difference in Lyndon

Lyndon Residents Association

“October's foliage yellows with his cold: In rattling showers dark November's rain, From every stormy cloud, descends amain, Till keen December's snows close up the year again”. (John Ruskin)

" The world is tired, the year is old, The faded leaves are glad to die..." (Sara Teasdale)

What is the Lyndon Residents Association up to this month?

First up is our celebrated Fish n' Chips Quiz Night on Friday 22nd November. Join us at the Guides Hut on Brackleys Way at 7pm for a super fun night of tricky quiz questions, set by our resident quiz master Andy! Fish and chips are included in the ticket price of £7 per person (other food options are available). Bring your brainpower and BYOB, come with your friends and family as a ready-made team or come on your own and join a friendly team on the night, all are welcome. There will be a prize for the winners (and booby prizes for the lowest scoring team!).

Coming up at the end of the month we have the Hobs Moat Christmas Tree Lights Switch taking place on Thursday 28th November. This is an annual event organised by the Neighbourhood team at Solihull Council (thanks in particular to Caulie Grant and Stacey Ennis) where the local community gathers at Hobs Moat library for hot chocolate, mulled wine, mince pies and then go to the Christmas tree on Hobs Moat parade for the big switch on, in the presence of Father Christmas himself! Thanks as always to JLR for their kind sponsorship of the tree and the lights. Why not bring the kids after school to join in the celebrations? A great way to start to get into the festive spirit, the event runs from 16.30 to around 18.00. There are plans afoot to continue the party at The Hobs Meadow afterwards - watch out for further details!

We have mentioned before other initiatives we are planning to green-up our local environment, starting with tree planting. We will shortly

be taking possession of 420 harvest trees (no actual date yet!), and will be looking for willing hands to help plant them around Lyndon. The trees are a mix of hazel, blackthorn, crab apple, dog rose, elder and rowan. To give you an idea, that many trees would fill a football pitch sized piece of land, so we do need volunteers to help get them in the ground. Please keep an eye open for future notices which will be posted in St Marys and in Hobs Moat library, and get in touch with us if you can spare an hour or so to help.

Did you know that The Hobs Moat Community Café meets every Thursday from 10 till 2pm at St Marys Church Hall? Why not come along for friendship and fellowship. Meet your neighbours, have a bite to eat and a drink, maybe pick up a bag of grocery shopping and "pay what you feel", either in cash to help cover the costs of collecting the surplus food, or by volunteering to help with the running of the cafe itself. All the food and groceries are donated by supermarket partners and would otherwise go to landfill, a terrible waste. It's a non-profit initiative all funds raised are ploughed back into the Real Junk Food project aimed at stopping good food going to waste.

We are fortunate that a lot of money has been spent on St Mary's church hall over the summer to upgrade some of the facilities, especially the kitchen and food preparation areas, which means that the café can now offer a wider range of cooked meals than before. Come along and try them, you won't be disappointed.

As the year draws towards its close, let's reflect once again that Lyndon really is a great place to live - there are many friendly people, helpful neighbours and community minded groups and individuals. The Lyndon Residents Association has been working hard since it was formed in 2017 to help make everyone feel really good, proud and part of our thriving community. The more support we have from our Lyndon friends, the more effective we can be, so we hope you will join us in the events and activities we have planned for the months ahead. If you would like to know more about us or get more involved, please e-mail chairperson@lyndonresidents.org

Finally, just a reminder that our final Lyndon Residents Association meeting of 2019 is at the Guides Hut on Brackleys Way on Thursday 7th November, starting at 7pm. As always, everyone is welcome, so do come along and find out what is happening in Lyndon and have your say on the issues that affect you. As ever, our local councillors, council

officers and neighbourhood police team will be in attendance.

If you can't make it to our meetings, you can keep in touch by following us on social media :

on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LyndonResidents/>
or Twitter <https://twitter.com/LRAB92> .

Thank you, Keith Hamilton



St. Mary's Church
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Saturday 23rd November

Coffee Morning

10.00 am – 12.00pm

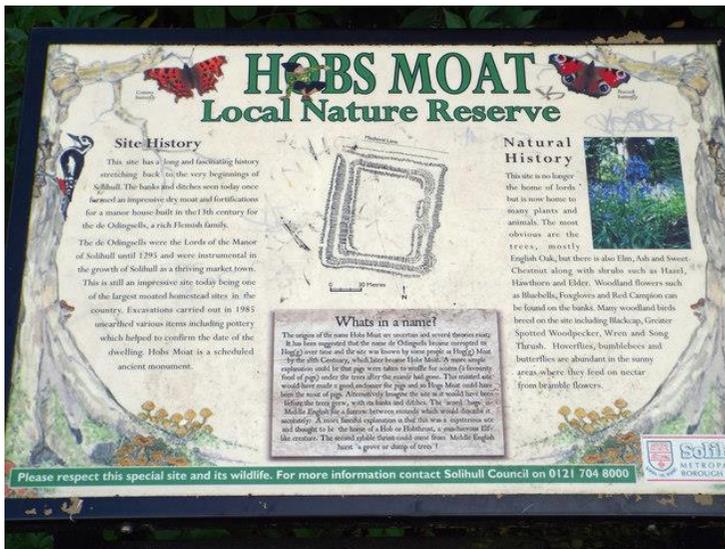
Hobs Moat

What do you know about the area where you live in?

Hobs Moat is an area of Solihull located 7 miles south-east of Birmingham. The area of Hobs Moat was named because of an ancient, moated site known as Hobs Moat, which is located to the west of Hobs Moat Road and north of Castle Lane. It is a scheduled Ancient Monument and was the subject of a great deal of excavation in the 1980s. Hobs Moat was a 12th century fortified manor house, founded by William de Odingsells, after whom Odensil Green was named. The large rectangular earthwork platform, is powerfully encased by a rampart, a wide ditch and a counterscarp bank. Excavations of this fine example of a medieval moated homestead, revealed 13th century occupation. Hobs Moat is said to have been the site of the home of the de Odingsells and later the de Limisi family who were lords of the manor of Ulverlei and founders of what we now know as Solihull.

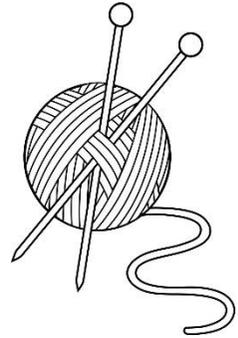
Hobs Moat is now a local nature reserve housing many Oak, Elm, Ash and Sweet Chestnut trees. There is also a variety of wildlife including birds such as Blackcaps, Great Spotted Woodpeckers, Wren and Song Thrush to name but a few. So next time you are in the area, take some time to enjoy the tranquillity of Hobs Moat.

Courtesy of Solihull Council



St. Mary's Knit and Natter

We are a small, friendly group that meet every Wednesday between 1-3pm at St Mary's Church. All are welcome to join us for knitting, crocheting and nattering. No previous experience is required - beginners looking to learn a new skill and established knitters willing to share knowledge and experience are welcome alike.



Tea, coffee and biscuits are an important part of our meetings; all that we ask is for a small voluntary contribution to cover the cost. We have knitted some teddies but we are continuing to make many more. These will be donated to Birmingham Children's Hospital charity to bring a smile to the faces of children in their care.

Many of us have made a good selection of small blankets for "Angel Wings".

In addition, several members have knitted items for premature babies which have been gratefully received by the premature baby unit at Heartlands Hospital.



Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our charities.

Olton Tavern Bowling Club

It has been a very successful season on the bowling green for the Club this season. Three of our teams have gained promotion and none of our teams have been relegated. Congratulations to the following teams, Tuesday Over 60's A team, Thursday A team and our Saturday B team who were promoted as Champions. Those teams will now look



forward to playing at a higher standard next season. Also, our Wednesday team having been promoted the previous season were able to consolidate their place in a higher division this season. Unfortunately, our Saturday A team missed out on promotion by the narrowest of margins but still finished in a creditable third position.

The Green Keeper and his helpers have now completed the end of season renovations on the bowling green. This involved scarifying the green and then applying grass seed, top dressing and fertiliser. Hopefully the weather conditions will be favourable for us and the green will be in good condition for the start of next year's season.

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National Stress Day

Join us for a free Yoga taster session on Tuesday 5th November at 2.00pm.

New U3A Poetry Group

Come along to the new U3A Poetry Group to share poems and discuss. This month's meeting is Monday 11th November from 10.00am - 12.00pm. Please contact library for more details.

Learn My Way

Want to improve your IT skills? Then the Learn My Way programme could be for you. It's a series of free online courses that can help bring you closer to employment.

Join us on Tuesday's at Hobs Moat Library from 2.00pm - 4.00pm to find out more.

Hobs Moat Striders & Strollers

The dates for this month's meetings are Friday 1st, 15th & 29th November (10.15am for a 10.30am departure). These free walks in the Hobs Moat area are led by trained volunteers. No need to book, just turn up on the day. Refreshments are provided afterwards. The walk last up to an hour. The walk is suitable for everyone but if you are unsure, please come along and find out more details. The volunteers will be able to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Reading Café

Come along to our Reading Café for a comfortable, informal and enjoyable morning. The café runs 10.30am-12.00pm. Date for the next meeting is Thursday 14th November at 10.30am.

Knit & Natter

The next meeting will be Tuesday 26th November. 10.30am-12.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

Craft & Chat

Drop in for a friendly chat, try some crafts and be creative. These sessions taking place every Tuesday from 12.30pm - 2.30pm.

Family History Explorers

Using Ancestry and Find My Past volunteers are on hand to help you trace family members. New starters and established groups meet

monthly. Takes place every Saturday from 10.00am - 12.00pm. Please enquire at the library for dates.

Little Hobbits

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Daddy Rhyme Time

The next meeting will be Saturday 9th November 2019 from 10.30am - 11.00am.

Rhymes for babies and toddlers. Refreshments will be served afterwards. This is an opportunity for Dads to meet.

Councillors Advice Surgery

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St Mary's Diary for November

Sunday	3 rd	8.00 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	4 th SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT Holy Communion Parish Communion for All Saints Annual Memorial Service
Tuesday	5 th	3.00 pm	“Reflections” Service
Wednesday	6 th	1.00 pm	Knit & Natter Group in the Chapel
Thursday	7 th	9.30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
Sunday	10 th	8.00 am 10.30 am	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY Holy Communion All Age Worship with Act of Remembrance
Tuesday	12 th	3.00 pm	Kingsford Court Holy Communion
Wednesday	14 th	1.00 pm	Knit & Natter Group in the Chapel
Thursday	17 th	9.30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
Sunday	17 th	8.00 am 10.00 am 6.30pm	2 nd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT Holy Communion Parish Communion Wholeness & Healing Service
Wednesday	20 th	1.00 pm 7.00 pm	Knit & Natter Group in the Chapel Women's Institute in Chapel
Thursday	21 st	9.30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
Saturday	23 rd	10.00 am	Coffee Morning in Church
Sunday	24 th	8.00 am 10.00 am	CHRIST THE KING Holy Communion Parish Communion
Monday	25 th	7.00 pm	P.C.C. Meeting
Wednesday	27 th	1.00 pm	Knit & Natter Group in the Chapel
Thursday	28 th	9.30 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel

Bible Readings for the Month



November:

3rd. Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18; Ephesians 1: 11-end; Luke 19: 1-10.
10th Job 19: 23-27a; 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-end; Luke 20: 27-38.
17th Malachi 4:1-2a; 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13; Luke 21: 5-19.
24th Jeremiah 23: 1-6; Colossians 1: 11-20; Luke 23: 33-43.

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The Moat, Next Issue...

Do you have an idea for an article for the next issue of The Moat?

Any ideas will be gratefully received and considered. They can either be put in the box at the back of Church, or emailed to stmarysmag@googlemail.com.

The final date for submissions of articles for the December/January issue of The Moat is Monday 11th November 2019.



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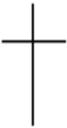
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