



1st December 2019

Welcome to St Matt's

We hope you enjoy being with us today.

Our church is informal and family-friendly, and we serve tea and coffee at the back of church throughout the service, except during prayer.

During our 10am service (except our family service on the 1st Sunday of the month) we have groups for babies, children and teenagers - please see inside for more information or ask a member of the Welcome Team.

We also have a more traditional service at 5pm and a service with more space to worship at 7pm.

If you are here for the first time, please introduce yourself to one of the Welcome Team- we would love to get to know you.

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Sunday Services

Our Sunday Services are held at 10am, 5pm and 7pm.

On the first Sunday of the month there is also a Book of Common Prayer communion service at 8am.

10am: informal and friendly, with groups for the children, except for the 1st Sunday of the month which is our family service. Great coffee is served!

5pm: traditional and welcoming, tea and cake is served from 4.30pm.

Seven: space to focus on Jesus and worship Him. No formula, just authentic relationship.

Sunday 1st December

8am	Book of Common Prayer communion service	
10am	Ready - parable of the bridesmaids	Em Cheesman
5pm	The Visitation	Trevor Long
7pm	The Visitation	Mark Bray

Sunday 8th December

10am	Steady - parable of the tenants	Chris Wicks
5pm	The Visit	Richard Arding
7pm (communion)	The Visit	Richard Arding

Sunday 15th December

10am (communion)	Go - parable of sheep and goats	Julian Brierley
5pm (communion)	The Visionary	Chris Wicks
7pm	The Visionary	Chris Wicks

Children & Youth on Sundays

During term time, we run groups for children, except for the 1st Sunday of the month when we have our family service.

Shine	pre-schoolers	in the church centre
Glow	reception to school year 2	leave by the church centre door
Bright	school years 3 to 5	leave by the main church door
Encounter	school years 6-9	leave by the office door
Engage	school years 10-13	2nd & 4th Sundays in youth office

Children will be brought back into church at the end of the service, and in time for communion on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Revive Christmas Event - SOLD OUT!

Friday 6th December, 7.45pm - 10pm.

Please can you let Hannah know today if you can lend us a slow cooker or a set of kitchen scales for the Christmas Event this Friday. Thank-you!

Choir for Christmas Carols

Choir rehearsal this week is Monday 2nd December,
6.30pm in church.



Safeguarding letter from the Diocese

We sent out the letter from the Diocese last week about their past cases safeguarding review, via email. If you are not on email or didn't receive this, please pick up a hard copy from the back of church.

Christmas cards for sale

Ella Smith is fundraising for a trip to Peru with school, and will be selling Christmas cards through advent to raise some money. Please support her if you can!

Christmas trees for sale

Mark Gabriel will be selling Christmas trees again this year, with all the profits going to charity. He will be outside St. John's Church (on the green) on Saturday 7th December, 9am - 12pm.

Help us receive £1000!

Ecclesiastical Insurance (who we are insured with as a church) are launching their 12 days of giving, where they will give away £1000 each to 120 charities over 12 days.

Please nominate us using our charity number 1185772.

Each person can only nominate once.

Pick up a leaflet from the back of church with all the instructions on or go to <https://www.ecclesiastical.com/movement-for-good/12-days/> Thank-you!

Co op Community Fund - Support Life & Soul!

"Life & Soul are delighted that they have been chosen as one of the Co-op Community Fund's 'Local Causes' this year (27th Oct 2019 - 24th Oct 2020). If you shop at the Co-op we would love your support! You need to become a Co-op member (only £1). You can then go on-line and choose us as your 'Local Cause'. Do speak to Em or Mary if you have questions! Thank you.

This week at St. Matt's

Monday 2nd December	6.30pm - 8pm 8pm - 9pm	Choir rehearsal in church Youth prayer meeting
Tuesday 3rd	8am - 9am 7.30pm - 9.30pm	Prayer meeting in church Table tennis in church (team A)
Wednesday 4th	3.30pm - 5pm 6pm - 7.30pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm	Deeper Christmas party (years 3-6) Ignite (school years 7-13) Table tennis in church (team C)
Thursday 5th	9.30am - 11.15am	Matt's Monkeys Christmas party
Friday 6th	8.30am - 10.30am 7.45pm - 7.00pm	Breakfast Café Revive Christmas Event
Saturday 7th	9am - 12pm	Christmas trees for sale (at St. John's Church)
Sunday 8th		

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