

Dear Friends

This Sunday is our monthly Together@Ten service and we're going to be celebrating Harvest Festival.

SUNDAY 6th October 2024

At 10am we have a 'hybrid' TOGETHER@TEN service - Harvest Festival Celebration. Any donations of (in date!) dried goods will be greatly appreciated and sent to the East Elmbridge Foodbank.

This is a lively, family-friendly service for the whole church family with lots to join in with:

<https://www.stchristopherschurch.org.uk/whats-on/togetherten>

An order of service will be on each table, but is also available on the website by following this link:

<https://www.stchristopherschurch.org.uk/service-sheet>

If you are joining online, the Zoom ID for the service is: 689 343 005.
The passcode is 2021.

WANTED - CHILDREN TO HELP LOOK FOR THE CHURCH MOUSE! Our new church mouse is up to tricks, hiding around the church. Come along on Sunday morning and see if you can help find him!

ALSO TODAY

2.30-3.30pm -NHS Hearing Clinic - in the church

A FREE service for people with NHS hearing aids includes - Basic maintenance, Battery supply, Cleaning and re-tubing, Trouble-shooting and Advice.

<https://www.stchristopherschurch.org.uk/hearing-clinic>

HAVE YOU HAD YOUR SAY?

What qualities, gifts and skills do *you* think our new Priest in Charge should have? If you'd like to contribute to the discussion and what will go into the advertising then please follow this link to a survey:

<https://forms.office.com/r/LdGe7jeAK8>

There will be a few forms in church this Sunday for those who haven't seen them yet - but then we'll be collating all the information so this is your last chance to have your say!

ECO TIP - USE ECO-CLEANING PRODUCTS

Many mainstream cleaning products are made from various chemicals, that wash up into streams and rivers causing water pollution that enters ecosystems and damages biodiversity. Switching to products that contain sustainably grown ingredients and non-synthetics reduces the risk of exposure to chemicals that are harmful to the environment.

Natural cleaners can also be made at home, using vinegar, lemon juice and bicarbonate of soda.

COMING UP THIS MONTH

Monday 7th October 8pm - Men's Group meets at The Angel Inn, Thames Ditton. For more information, please contact Simon.

Tuesday 8th October 7.30pm - Deanery Synod - this is when clergy and lay representatives of the different churches in Emly Deanery meet together and often have a speaker to inform our different ministries.

Sunday 20th October 4pm - Churches Together in the Dittons (CTD) Healing Service. This year it will be held at St Nicholas Church, TD. All are welcome.

Sunday 27th October 4pm - Tea & Hymns

ADVANCE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Sunday 3rd November at 10am - TOGETHER@TEN - service celebrating ALL SAINTS

Sunday 3rd November at 6pm - ALL SOULS SERVICE - Commemoration of the Faithful Departed: remembering before God those we love but see no longer. Please email Caroline or sign the sheet in church if there's someone you'd like us to remember. All welcome at the service.

Saturday 9th November at 6.45pm - QUIZ NIGHT - our ever popular quiz, including a ploughman's supper, sweet treat & raffle. If you're interested in booking a table or joining a team, please email quiz@stchristopherschurch.org.uk

Sunday 10th November - REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE - please gather at 10.45am in Hinchley Wood Memorial Gardens as we remember together those who have died in war, serving their country.

Thursday 28th November 5.30-8pm - COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS Organised by Hinchley Wood Residents Associate (HWRA) for the whole community. More details on HWRA website.

CHRISTMAS DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

1ST DECEMBER 10am - Together@Ten Christingle Celebration

22nd DECEMBER 6pm - Carol Service

24th DECEMBER 3pm - Crib Service

24th DECEMBER 11.30pm - Midnight Mass

25th DECEMBER 10am - Christmas Day Service

Do check St Christopher's website for more information on what's going on:

<https://www.stchristopherschurch.org.uk>

With every blessing,
Rev Caroline and the team