

Offa Mission Area

St. Mary's, Chirk with St. David's, Froncysyllte

NOTICE SHEET FOR SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2018: LENT 1

MONDAY 19th FEBRUARY

7.00pm: Bell Ringing Practice at St. Mary's, Chirk

TUESDAY 20th FEBRUARY

12 – 1.30pm: Mini Lunches in St. Mary's Church Hall

WEDNESDAY 21st FEBRUARY

9.15am: Toddlers' in St. Mary's Church Hall

2.00pm: Friends of St. Mary and St. David Visit to Chirk Court (see below)

THURSDAY 22nd FEBRUARY

1.30pm: St. Mary's Health and Safety committee in St. Mary's Church Hall

7.30pm: Churches Together Lent course begins at Sacred Heart RC Church in Chirk (see below)

SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY: LENT 2

9.30am: Holy Eucharist at St. David's, Froncysyllte – Rev Jean Rock's last service before retirement.

11.00am: Holy Eucharist at St. Mary's, Chirk – Cllr Frank Hemmings will be speaking about dementia.

Friends of St. Mary and St. David Visit to Chirk Court

Please join us when we chat and sing with the residents this Wednesday 21st February at 2pm.

Lent Course

This year's ecumenical Lent Course begins this Thursday 22nd February at 7.30pm at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Chirk and will run for 5 consecutive Thursday evenings. It is based on the book "Experiencing Christ's Love" by John Twistleton.

Dementia Friendly Church Initiative

St. Mary's Church Committee has made the decision for St. Mary's to work towards being accredited as being a Dementia Friendly Church. As part of this we have invited Councillor Frank Hemmings to speak to us during our service on Sunday 25th February. Frank is very involved in dementia work in the town.

South West Tanganyika Lent Appeal

The theological college in our twin diocese of SW Tanganyika in Tanzania has 50 students but no books. During Lent our South West Tanganyika Link Association is encouraging each church in our diocese to sponsor the purchase of a substantial theological book for their diocese's Christian Training Centre through a gift of £20. The books for the Centre's library will be purchased in Dar Es Salaam and the gift of £20 per church per book, will be acknowledged through the special bookplate that will be inserted when members of the SWTA team next visit in the summer.

It would be good to think that every church community in the diocese, along with individuals if they wish, can support our brothers and sisters in South West Tanganyika in their vocational formation and theological learning. If you wish to make a donation please give it to Matt or one of the wardens.

St. David's Day Event at 2pm on Thursday 1st March

All are welcome to this event run by the Friendship Guild in the Church Hall with Ruth Moore-Williams.

St. Mary's Churchyard AGM is on Friday 2nd March at 1.30pm in the Church Hall. All are welcome to come along and hear about the good work our award winning team is doing.

Women's World Day of Prayer, this year, is at Chirk Methodist on Friday 2nd March at 2pm. All welcome.

Emotional Intelligence Course

At a recent Mission Area Conference meeting we discussed an upcoming emotional intelligence training session. Church committee members are invited to attend. It will be on Saturday 17th March at a venue to be confirmed. I am told it will be somewhere nice with a good lunch! If you want to go please let me know by 23rd February. **Rev Matt Wilkinson 01691 778519** vicarofchirk@hotmail.com