

## ST. MARY'S FLOWER GUILD

Christmas Table decorations will be on sale at the back of Church on Sunday 14th December.

All proceeds to go towards flowers for Christmas.

Thank you for your support.

*Fiona Harrison.*

## BLESS YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY THIS CHRISTMAS WITH GOOD NEWS FROM [GOD'S](#) WORD - [IT'S](#) FREE

After the Service do look at the table at the back of Church where you will find Christmas material from Scripture Gift Mission (Now known as Life Words). There are several colourful booklets following the Christmas Story in God's Words ( so much better than ours)

They are for different age groups both adults and children and are ideal to give with a gift or pop in with a greeting card.

They are free - any donations received will be used for further purchases

*Beth Oram*

If you have items for the Weekly News Sheet please email Edna Cope: [emcope@onetel.com](mailto:emcope@onetel.com)

Put a paper copy in the BLUE tray in the vestry or Phone 353935

### By WEDNESDAY LUNCH TIME

As the News Sheet will be available on our web site each week, it would be very much appreciated if you could check that people are willing for their contact details to be on the web site before forwarding any notices with phone numbers or email addresses. Thank you very much.

*Libby, Alan & Edna*

## St. Mary's Church Kempsey

[www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk](http://www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk)

**SUNDAY 7th. DECEMBER 2008**

**Advent 2**

Welcome to our Church, especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer.

### SERVICES TODAY

**8.00a.m. Morning Prayer BCP**

**9.00a.m. Holy Communion BCP** at Kerswell Green

**10.30a.m. Family Communion**

*Please stay for tea, coffee, squash and biscuits and a chat at the back of church after the 10.30 service.*

**4.00p.m. Christingle Service**

**Please note change to normal service pattern.**

As we light the Advent Candles each week let us remember that this is a time when we can really prepare ourselves to receive Jesus afresh and for His Spirit of Love to be born within us.

### SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

**8.00a.m. Holy Communion BCP**

**10.30a.m. Informal Family Communion**

**6.00p.m. ST. MARY'S CAROL SERVICE**

This will be a traditional Candle-lit Service with traditional Carols and will include contributions from the children at Kempsey School. Do come – it should be a lovely service for all the family

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please phone Peter Holzapfel 820202

For all other church bookings please phone Libby James 353935 or Alan Ploughman 769214

For bookings of St. Mary's House please phone Julia Grant 820138

We hope you will find the Weekly News Sheet helpful. Please let us know what you think or if you have any ideas or suggestions or if it would be helpful to have the Weekly News Sheet available in large print. Please take a copy for anyone who is not able to be in Church. It is also available on our website – [www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk](http://www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk) – click on Newsletters. We look forward to hearing from you.

### SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK

**Monday 10.30 Coming Together** at St. Mary's House.  
Speaker this month is REV. GORDON HILL. We start at 10.30 with coffee' moving to our time of worship and study from 11 – 12 and finishing with a snack lunch. Come and join us.  
**Thursday 10.30a.m. Holy Communion** in the Lady Chapel  
*Followed by*  
*Age Concern Coffee Morning at St. Mary's House*  
**Friday 11.00a.m. Pram & Toddler Service** in Church  
*followed by a Christmas Party.*  
Do come. We should love to see you

### ALSO THIS COMING WEEK

**Tuesday 7.30 Alpha Course** at St. Mary's House.  
**Thursday 7.30 Deanery Advent Service** at  
Upton Parish Church – to give God thanks and to pray for the Hospice Movement. Upton Deanery invite you to light a candle in memory of a loved one this Christmas  
**Saturday 3.30 Walkers & Hikers Carol Service**  
at St. Denys' Church – with seasonal refreshments and a collection for the work of God at St. Denys' Church.

### BROWNIES & GUIDES

The Brownies and Guides urgently need new leaders. Please let Peter know if you are able to give some time to help in any way. If leaders are not found the Christingle service at St. Denys' might be the last.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 17th . Dec. 6.30p.m. Carols at The Lawns.**  
Do come and join us and help make this season special for the residents and staff,  
**Sunday 21st. 10.30 Crib Service** – for all the family. Children will especially love this service which will include a contribution from the children at Kempsey School – Ian Craigan with his puppets.  
**Sunday 21st. 6.30 Carol Service at St. Denys'**  
Do come if you can.  
**Monday 22nd. 6.00** Gather at St. Mary's Church for **Carol Singing around the Parish.** Please bring a lantern or torch and wrap up well. We shall finish the evening with festive treats at the home of Maureen and Robert Pioli. Proceeds will be divided between St. Mary's Church and The Maggs Day Centre for those who are homeless.  
**Christmas Eve 11.30 Midnight Communion**  
both at St. Mary's and St. Denys'  
**Christmas Day 8.00 Holy Communion with hymns**  
**10.30 Family Celebration** for Christmas Day  
with Reserved Sacrament Communion.

### VICTORIAN VILLAGE

Thanks to Gilly Warfield for setting up the Village again this year. Do look at it – it is lovely.  
If you would like to give a donation it will go towards the Romanian Orphanage.

### CHRISTINGLE

If you would like to support the work of the Children's Society please could you put your name on a list at the back of church for a collection box.  
Thank you.