

# St. Mary's Church Kempsey

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

*Please take this sheet home with you as a reminder or to pass on  
to someone who was unable to be in Church today.*

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please phone  
Peter Holzapfel 820202

For all other church bookings please phone  
Libby James 353935 or Alan Plowman 769214  
For bookings of St. Mary's House please phone  
Julia Grant 820138

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We hope you 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.

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.

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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*

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If you have items for the Weekly News Sheet please email

Edna Cope: [emcope@talktalk.net](mailto:emcope@talktalk.net)

put a paper copy in the BLUE tray in the vestry or

Phone Libby on 353935

**By WEDNESDAY LUNCH TIME**

Heavenly Father, as we light these beautiful Christingles may we be reminded of the light of Jesus shining in our world and may His light shine in our lives that we also may be beautiful in His sight.

## SERVICES TODAY

**8.00 Morning Prayer BCP**  
**9.00 Holy Communion BCP**  
at Kerswell Green  
**10.30 Family Communion**  
and **Children's Church**  
**4.00 Christingle Service**

**There will be no Evening  
Service at St. Mary's**

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

**8.00 Holy Communion BCP**  
**10.30 Informal Family  
Communion and  
Children's Church**  
**3.00 Holy Baptism**  
**6.00 St Mary's Carol Service**  
We welcome Children from  
**Kempsey Primary School**

## SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK

**Thursday 10.30 Holy Communion** in the Lady Chapel  
*Followed by Age Concern Coffee Morning at St. Mary's House*  
**Friday 11.00 "Little Angels"** Pram and Toddler Group with a  
Christmas Party in St. Mary's Church.

## PRAYER MINISTRY

There will be someone available to offer prayer or a listening ear every Sunday after the morning service in St. Andrew's Chapel. Please make your way there if you would like to talk or pray in confidence.

## HEALING PRAYER

If you have a concern for yourself or for someone else and would like regular prayers for God's healing and wholeness please contact:-

Gill Warfield 820074  
or Sheila Cook 831829

## KEMPSEY FLAG

It's flood time! Again! We urgently need the Environmental Agency's promised Flood Alleviation Scheme which will stop this from repeatedly happening. Please support our Christmas Fundraiser.

After the Christingle Service this afternoon there is the opportunity to come and meet Santa in the grotto in St. Mary's House garden

**5.00– 8.00**

**£3 per person or £10 for four.**

There will be a present for each child, Carol Singing, Live Music and refreshments including mince pies, biscuits, squash, mulled wine. There will also be Christmas Beer on sale. Do come and support Kempsey's Campaign. Thank you.

## ALSO THIS COMING WEEK

**Wed. 12.00 Cornflower Club**

Lunch at The Nash

**Wed. 7.30 Women's Fellowship**

at St. Mary's House. Christmas Fun Evening with the Vicar

**Thur. 7.30 "Light up a life"** service at Upton Parish church in support of the local Hospice Movement. The service is for our Deanery and is open to everyone.

**Sat. 3.30 Walkers & Hikers**

**Christmas Service** at St. Denys'

## CAROL SERVICE

**NEXT SUNDAY at 6.00 pm.**

A lovely service for all the family. We look forward to welcoming the Handbell Ringers from Kempsey Primary School.

## OPEN CHURCH for the VICTORIAN VILLAGE

The Church will be open on two successive Saturdays to welcome anyone who would like to see the wonderful model created by Gilly Warfield.

**12th. Dec. 10.30 – 2.30**

**19th. Dec. 10.30 – 4.00**

If you are able to support Gilly for an hour by making drinks for the visitors on either Saturday, please could you sign the list at the back of Church. Thank you from the Social Committee.

## PHILOMUSICA

**Christmas Concert**

**7.30 Saturday 12th. Dec.**

Tickets are now available from Church Wardens or on the door. £7 to include a glass of wine, or a soft drink, and a mince pie.

Don't miss this lovely concert.

## MINCE PIES

We need 20 dozen mince pies for this concert. If you could supply a dozen or more would you please sign the list at the back of Church. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you from the Social Committee.

## ST. MARY'S FLOWER GUILD

**Christmas Table Decorations**

**£5 each**

Please place your orders by signing the list at the back of Church or phone Fiona on 820067

## CAROLS & CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

**at The Nash**

**Tues. 15th. December, 7.30**

A lovely Seasonal Evening with The Chase Brass Band and seasonal fare

Only four tickets left. See one of the Church Wardens today.

Adults £6, children under 10 free.

## DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

**Mon. 21st. Dec. 6.00** Carol singing at The Lawns Nursing Home.

Details to follow and in The Parish Magazine.

## SCARECROW HAPPENING

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the Deanery Social Evening last Thursday.

Over 70 people came and there were some wonderful scarecrows. £308 was raised to support education in Uganda.

Thank you from Sue Fitzjohn & Sheila Cook (Deanery Reps) and the Social Committee.

## LIFE WORDS

A range of colourful, attractive leaflets are available at the back of Church telling the good news of how God sent His son, Jesus into our broken world to save us.

They are lovely for children and adults – please do look at them and take them away with you.

## ADVENT

We hope to support the work of Maggs and the Winter Night Shelter of St. Paul's Hostel throughout the Advent Season. There will be two boxes at the back of Church – one for tea, coffee, drinking chocolate and sugar, the other for toiletries such as shower gel, soap, disposable razors, shaving cream. Please do put in what you can.

There will also be envelopes for Advent Giving, the proceeds of which will also go to supporting the homeless in Worcester through Maggs and St. Paul's. Please give as generously as you can.

Thank you from the Mission Committee.

## HELP for SCHOOLS in GAMBIA

We have received a request for reading books, text books, stationery and equipment for schools in Gambia.

If you have any suitable books or school items please could you put them in the box at the back of Church. or see Mary Read.

Thank you

## CARDS of the CHURCH

We have been given some beautiful cards, with a picture of the Church, by Kempsey FLAG.

They are in packs of four and are available at the back of Church for £2, in aid of Church funds.

Our grateful thanks to Kempsey FLAG for this lovely gift.