Dear Parishioners,

Please find hereunder a brief Parish Update for this weekend:

Mass arrangements:

Friday 29th September (Archangels):

Saturday 30th September:

Sunday 1st October:

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7.00pm at St. Michael's Church
9.00am at St. Michael's Church
11.00am at St. Oswald's Church

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY APPEAL

This year's CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Appeal is this Sunday 1st October.

Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast - so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need.

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Dates for the children's liturgy sessions for this term:

This Sunday 1st Oct

Sun 22nd Oct

Sun 19th Nov

Sun 10th Dec

Confirmation 2024 - Deadline for registration tomorrow!!!

A reminder about our Confirmation 2024 programme as candidates need to register by submitting their application form to the St Joseph Parish Office by tomorrow, 30 Sept. (although the office will be closed tomorrow, there is a postbox at the external lefthand side of the door to the Parish Office and Presbytery)

CTAT NEWS & APPEAL FOR HELP PLEASE

BLAZING LIGHTS PARTY at The Point in Tadley - Friday 27 Oct - 5.00 - 6.30 pm Calling children in Y3-Y6: The blazing lights party is a positive alternative to a halloween party, so no halloween costumes please, but wear something as bright as possible instead! There will be dancing, crafts, games and lots of fun. There will be flashing lights, so please consider whether this event is suitable for your child, before signing them up. For further details and to register, please go to https://ctat.churchsuite.com/events/bs1fhgaj The party is free, but any donations to support youth work in Tadley would be welcome and can be made online from the same CTAT page.

Calling adult volunteers: We need plenty of adult volunteers who have current DBS-checks to work with children to help supervise at the party. Please contact Sam Dunn at samd@bccnet.org.uk<mailto:samd@bccnet.org.uk> to volunteer.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS 2023

Many parishioners helped with the last CTAT Christmas Angel campaign a few years ago in terms of knitting or crocheting angels, assembling them with tags and helping them "fly" around Tadley and Silchester to be discovered on December mornings. This year, Tracey Bennett is co-ordinating the Tadley flights and Jan Hughes the Silchester flights.

In Tadley, a display of the Christmas Angels is planned for the weekend of 9/10 December at Tadley Common Methodist Church, where refreshments will also be served. The angels will be blessed during their Sunday 10.30 am Service on 10 December. Much help will be needed to set up the display on Thursday 7th and Friday 8th, steward the weekend event, bake cakes, serve

refreshments, break down the display on Monday 11th, and help fly the angels at 6 am on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th. Arrangements for Silchester to follow.

Can you help please? Please contact Mary Lee in the first instance on 0118 981 3221 if you can help with any of the following:

Making the Christmas Angels: if you would like to get involved in making the Christmas Angels this year, which can be as simple as contributing the small, knitted squares to be assembled by someone else, please contact Mary.

Displaying the Christmas Angels: angels will be displayed on Christmas trees in Tadley Common Methodist Church - help is needed with the set-up of the trees and decorating them with the angels on Thursday 7 and Friday 8 December.

Baking cakes: volunteering to bake cakes for refreshments over the weekend of 9/10 December, including description of cake and ingredients for allergens.

Stewarding or Serving Refreshments: either helping by stewarding the display in the church or by serving refreshments from their kitchen - could you help for a morning or afternoon on Saturday 9 or Sunday 10 December please?

Breaking Down the Display: help needed please to take down the angels and pack away the trees on Monday 11 December.

Flights of Angels: help needed please to fly the angels in designated areas around Tadley at 6.00 am on Tuesday 12 and/or Wednesday 13 December. Head torches helpful to keep your hands free to attach the angels. Breakfast will be provided afterwards!

Kind regards,

Dan.

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