

St Margaret's News beyond the Pews

October 2017



MESSY CHURCH

4th November

3-5pm in The Orchard

It is so helpful if we know numbers beforehand.

Messy Christmas is on Saturday 9th December.

Please reserve your place with Shirley on families@smchipstead.org

THE BIG CLEAN

Friday 3rd November 9.30am - 1pm

This is the time to get all those nooks and crannies in the church dusted and polished in time for our big services coming up. If you can come along, Ann Elliott and June Salkeld will be really grateful for your help.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT CHOIR

Rehearsals will be on Sundays from 5-6pm in the church from 5th November. Carols by Candlelight is on 17th December, 5pm and 7.30pm. Get in touch with Libby on music@smchipstead.org

CAMEO - Come and Meet Each Other

Wednesday 11th October

A drop in for anyone who would like a cup of tea and a friendly chat held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month in the Hooley Village Hall 2 - 4pm.



£1,000 raised for Winter Night Shelter

Thanks to everyone who contributed towards the Quiz Night in whatever way. It was a great fun night and £1,000 was raised for Renewed Hope Trust and the Shelter.



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Sunday 15th October 6.30pm in the Church

Quiet prayer and worship.

A great way to prepare for the week ahead.

SLUM SURVIVOR



An unfamiliar sight will greet you as you pass the church on the 21st October. Our young people are spending 24 hours camping out in their home-made 'slum' next Saturday from 12 midday. They will be eating just rice and beans and experiencing just a tiny bit of what it is like to go without things we regard as necessities. Do drop by to support, join in their challenges and donate to Soul Action. Contact Amy on youth@smchipstead.org to find out more.

Photo shows a previous Slum Survivor event.



LIVING WITH LOSS

Sunday 5th November at 4pm

Every year, we hold a special service to remember those who have died. There is a list in the porch to which you can add names. Those who we have held funerals for since 6th November last year will already be on that list. All names will be read out and a candle will be lit for each person. If you cannot get to church but wish a name to be added then **PHONE 01737 552160**. Please do not email.

VOLUNTEERING FOR THE WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

St. Margaret's will be hosting the Winter Night Shelter for six Tuesdays starting on 15th December. If Tuesday nights or Wednesday mornings do not suit you then you can volunteer at other churches on different days. There are three shifts - evening, overnight and breakfast. Please contact Nic Dodds on nic.dodds@btinternet.com if you would like to find out more about helping at the shelter.



THE REAL ADVENT CALENDAR
will be on sale at church very soon!



For those of you who remember the Batemans, here is a happy photo of (the now Rev.) Tim and Claire at baby Louisa's baptism in Oxford recently.