

# What's On @ St Michael & All Angels' Parish Church, Shefford

The United Benefice Of Meppershall & Shefford

## DECEMBER 2014

**THANK YOU to everyone who helped in any way with the Christmas Shoeboxes. Altogether we filled 33 boxes.**  
**Jean Odell**

Tuesday 2	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop
	DAILY BREAD orders by today, please: see display or ring Michelle 01462 814117	
Wednesday 3	10am-11am	MINI-M: worship and fun for babies & toddlers (0's to 4's) with their parents/minders. Today's theme: Samuel listens to God
	2pm	Funeral service in church for Desmond Gidley
Thursday 4	10.30-12.00	HFT Café
Friday 5	9.50am	Holy Communion
	10.40-12.00	Tea/coffee served : prayer ministry available
<b>Sunday 7</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10am	Family Service
	2.30pm	Holy Communion at The Birches (everyone welcome)
	4.30pm	Christingle Service at St Mary's, Meppershall
Monday 8	7.45pm	Shefford & District Bible Society Action Group meeting at 17 Langford Road, Henlow, led by Revd Dave Haseldine. Theme: 'According to the Scriptures'
Tuesday 9	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop
	7.30pm	Churches Together in Shefford meeting
Wednesday 10	morning	DAILY BREAD orders delivered
Thursday 11	10.30-12.00	HFT Café
	2pm-4pm	Craft group: all welcome. Details from Pat, Carolyn or Jennifer. Make something, relax and chat, find a friend...
	All day	Setting up of Christmas Trees
<b>FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> TO SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup>: CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL</b>		
Friday 12	9.50am	Holy Communion
	10.45am	Christmas Tree Festival "Lights On"
	10.45am-5pm	Christmas Tree Festival with tea, coffee & cake all day
Saturday 13	9am-1pm	Christmas Farmers' Market in High Street
	9am-5pm	Christmas Tree Festival with tea, coffee & cake all day (soup & bread 11am to 2pm)
	10am	Ribbon cutting by Shefford Gala Princesses
	Other attractions during the morning include carol singing by Shefford Lower School, and the Shefford History Group. All Festival donations will go to Church restoration fund.	
<b>Sunday 14</b>	10am	Family Communion
	11.30am-3pm	Christmas Tree Festival with tea, coffee & cake
	3pm	Festival Service – celebrating Christmas in story and song. With visiting musicians, also includes Festival prize-giving.
Monday 15	7.30pm	TOWN CAROL SERVICE with Shefford Town Band (Churches Together in Shefford)
Wednesday 17	10-11.30am	MINI-M: worship and fun for babies & toddlers (0's to 4's) with their parents/minders. Today: CHRISTMAS PARTY
Thursday 18	10.30-12.00	HFT Café with home-made Christmas goodies
Friday 19	9.50am	Morning Service: Advent Special
	10.40-12.00	Tea/coffee served : prayer ministry available
Saturday 20	3pm	Ecumenical CAROL SERVICE at Wren Park (everyone welcome)
<b>Sunday 21</b>	10am	Family Communion
	2.30pm	Ecumenical CAROL SERVICE at The Birches (everyone welcome)
	6.30pm	Nine Lessons & Carols at St Mary's, Meppershall

<b>Christmas Eve</b>	2 for 2.30pm	CHRIS & THE GIANT CANDLES: Children's Nativity Service (but unaccompanied adults also welcome!). Doors open 2pm for those keen to get started on making stuff – and there's a craft for the grown-ups too if they wish! If you can help (e.g. with craft tables) please contact Jenny on 01462 817337 / <a href="mailto:jenny.dann33@hotmail.co.uk">jenny.dann33@hotmail.co.uk</a>
	11.15pm	Midnight Communion with carols
<b>Christmas Day</b>	10am	Christmas Family Communion
<b>Boxing Day (St Stephen)</b>	9.50am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 28</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10am	Morning Praise

### LOOKING FORWARD TO JANUARY 2015...

Friday 2	9.50am	Holy Communion
	10.40-12.00	Tea/coffee served : prayer ministry available
<b>Sunday 4</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10am	Epiphany Family Service
	2.30pm	Holy Communion at The Birches (everyone welcome)
Tuesday 6	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop
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Wednesday 7	10am-11am	MINI-M: worship & fun for babies & toddlers (0's to 4's) with their parents/minders. Today's theme: Bright Star
Thursday 8	10.30-12.00	HFT Café
Saturday 24	2.15-4.15pm	STARS IN THE UNIVERSE: Formal rehearsals begin for the new musical to be performed on 17-18 October 2015. Come along today or contact Jenny 01462 817337 / <a href="mailto:jenny.dann33@hotmail.co.uk">jenny.dann33@hotmail.co.uk</a> in advance for a script, demo CD and/or music score.

Details for the January 2015 "What's On" should reach Jenny Dann  
**NO LATER THAN SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER, THANK YOU!**

### PRAYER REQUESTS...

St Michael's has a prayer book which you can use to ask us to pray for you, or for anyone that you know that needs praying for – you will find it on a small table in front of the Lady Chapel at the back of the Church – do feel free to use it – we include all requests for prayer from this book in our Friday and Sunday services.

Regular Events:		Plus...
<b>Coffee Shop</b> - every Tuesday 10.30-12.00 - run by the Biggleswade Adult Centre	<b>HFT Café</b> – every Thursday 10.30 – 12.00 – run by HFT. Teas, coffees & home-made goodies	<b>Time-4-U</b> - If you need someone to talk to (in confidence), we have the listeners available

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