



WE meet at the Methodist Chapel by the central pond in Oakley. We look forward to welcoming new members. For further information please phone St Leonard's Office **01256 782724**

Sitting and Standing Keep Fit continues every **Thursday @ 2-3.30pm** until **19 December**

Table Top Gardening will merge with **Flower Arranging** and will meet together on **Wednesday 18 December @ 2-3.30 pm**

Ukrainian Christmas

DOUG Curtis would like to thank everyone for their donations of clothes and household items which he has been sending to Ukraine. Delivery number 27 was of 147 boxes and bags, the most ever! He is particularly keen to send out winter woollies, hats, scarves, gloves etc, boots and shoes. It would be lovely to send a soft toy with a Christmas Card too, as a small gift to the many children affected by the war... To contact Doug for more info or his address please ring **01256 781627**

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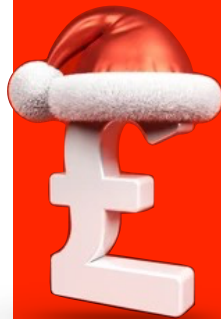


Brief Encounters

ARE you living on your own? If so, you are invited to the Oakley Room at St Leonard's Centre on **Wednesday 11 December** from **10.30 to 12.00** for seasonal refreshments and some Christmas fun. This event has been organised by the 'Brief Encounters' What'sApp group, but there is no obligation to be part of this group, it's an open invitation.

Christmas Gifts

WE would be very pleased to receive any financial contributions to allow us to help those in less fortunate situations this Christmas. If you would like to contribute, please send your donation via BACS to the St. Leonard's Centre, 60-02-49, Acc No 49400754, or place cash in an envelope and drop into the office or the letterbox. Please mark or reference your donations with 'Christmas'



Thought for the week
 God doesn't work through us because we are flawless, rather he works through us in spite of our imperfections.

Please pray for ...

- >De-escalation in Ukrainian war
- >Those waiting for surgery or results
- >Night Light Winter Shelter

Give thanks for

- >The tentative ceasefire in Lebanon

What is an opinion without 3.14? An onion.



Welcome

Sunday 1 December 2024

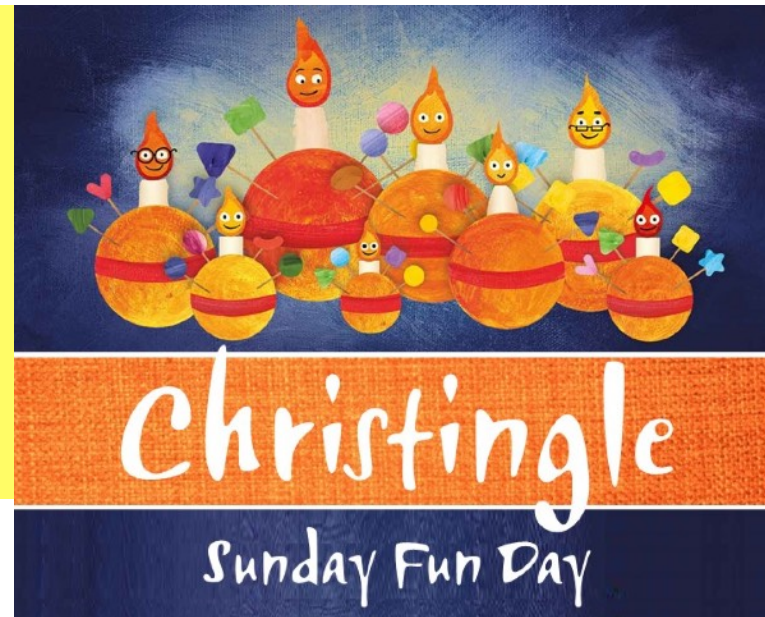


This week
Sunday
1 December

9.00am
Communion Service
 @ St Lawrence's Wootton
10.00am
Morning Service
 @ St. Leonard's, Oakley
3.30pm
Sunday Fun Day:
Christingle
 @ St Leonard's, Oakley

Every week day
9.15am-9.45am
Morning Prayer on line
Tuesday only
Morning Prayer
in person
Wednesday 4 December
10:30am-12:30pm
Community Café
 @ St Leonard's Centre
11.00am
Midweek Communion
 @ St. Leonard's

Next week
Sunday 8 December
8.00am
Communion Service
 @ St Leonard's Oakley
10.00am
Communion Service
 @ St. Leonard's, Oakley
7.00pm
Carol Service
 @ St Leonard's, Oakley



Sunday 1 December 2024

3.30pm at St Leonard's Church

Enjoy a fun and festive service for all ages complete with **oranges**, candles, music and the true meaning of Christmas!

followed by some tasty Christmas refreshments

OAKLEY WOOTTON



A MERRY OAKLEY CHRISTMAS



NOW IN STOCK
Christmas Cards &
Advent Calendars



Programme of Services

Sunday | Dec | Sunday Fun Day Christingle!

3.30-5pm Kick off the Christmas season with a fun and festive service for the **WHOLE FAMILY**. There will be music, stories, crafts, activities food, and a **MASSIVE** orange. You won't want to miss it! At St Leonard's Church

Sunday 8 Dec | St Leonard's Carol Service

7pm A beautiful candlelit service of carols, readings, drama and music. At St Leonard's Church, followed by hot drinks and tasty treats.

Sunday 15 Dec | Wootton St Lawrence Christmas BIG Sing!

3.30pm Wootton Christmas Party – Join us for crafts and games and festive treats. We're going to fill St Lawrence with colour and good cheer, so dawn you brightest Christmas jumper & bring along a bauble to hang on tree.

4-5pm Back by popular demand is the **Wootton BIG Sing** – a fun-filled Christmas celebration event with musical performances, poetry, readings, carol singing and much more!

Sunday 22 Dec | Blue Christmas at St Leonard's Church

3.30pm When life is tough, the holidays can be a hard time of year. If you find yourself longing for a quiet space away from the glitz & festive noise, Blue Christmas is service of comfort & hope for anyone facing a difficult Christmas.

Tuesday 24 Dec | Christmas Eve Services

3pm Oakley All-Age Crib Service – a bouncy, fun and festive Christmas Eve service for everyone! Experience the heart of Christmas with stories, music, readings and much more at St Leonard's Church.

5pm Wootton Candlelit Crib Service – a traditional candlelit crib service for the whole family at Wootton St Lawrence Church.

11.15pm Oakley Midnight Communion Service – a contemporary and reflective service at St Leonard's with readings, reflections, carols and poetry inviting us to kneel in wonder at the mystery of the manger.

Wednesday 25 Dec | Christmas Day at St Leonard's Church

8am Christmas Day Communion – a festive and reflective service.

10.30am Christmas Family Celebration – a fun-filled service for all ages.

A MERRY OAKLEY CHRISTMAS



Wootton St Lawrence Big Sing 2024

Sunday 15th December

Gather at 3.30pm – for mulled wine & mince pies

Big Sing Starts at 4pm

All welcome - the more the merrier!

Help us make the church look festive, Before the event, make some **Christmas Bunting or paper chains** (at least 1m long) and deliver to St Lawrence Church by Friday 13th December to be hung up ready for the Christmas celebrations.



Decorate your own bauble (paper, wood or plastic) and bring it along on the day, to hang on our tree.



Enjoy Mulled Wine, mince pies and a fun and festive atmosphere. Christmas activities/games for children.



Stick around for a fun-filled Christmas celebration event with musical performances, poetry, readings & Christmas singalong! We are looking for more people to contribute light, fun, festive sketches, musical performances, poems etc at the Big Sing. If you would like to take part, please contact Ben: ben@oww.church



No charge, but donations welcome, all proceeds towards our **St Lawrence for Our Time** project.

Toilet facilities will be available during this event with kind permission of The Barn Nursery



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CAS VOLUNTEERS BREAKFAST

07:12:24 | 10-11:30AM 📍 St Leonard's Centre, Oakley

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