

SERVICES IN THE NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 2nd November

7.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG for ALL SOULS' DAY

Music provided by the Lydian Singers

Names of recently departed loved one can be given to Mary or Paul to be read out.

Wednesday 3rd November

10am SAID EUCHARIST Richard Hooker

Sunday 7th November Third Sunday before Advent

10am ALL-AGE WORSHIP (and Audio Service)

6.30pm CELTIC EUCHARIST

Dates for your Diary

Monday 1st November 4pm - The Mayor 'opens' our new kitchen and Accessible Toilet / Baby Changing facility.

Wednesday 3rd November 7.30pm PCC meeting in Church

Thursday 4th November

2pm MOTHERS' UNION Malyn Stekovic talks about her life

If you would like to order the **REAL ADVENT CALENDAR** for any younger person, at a price of £5, please speak to Mary (01565 723277 or email maryedaw@btinternet.com). It contains 25 Fairtrade chocolate shapes, a 24-page Christmas story activity book and a line from the Christmas Story behind each window.

Closing date: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7th

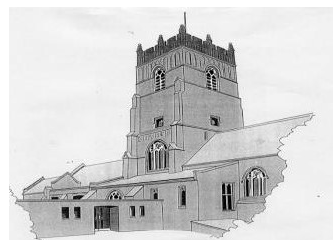
There will be a **toy collection** throughout November; more details are in the November newsletter and on the display in the South Aisle.

Please leave the hymn book and pink safety leaflets in church on your seat.

***Take this leaflet home with you,
and return the Green Service Book to the Attendants.***

Thank You

ST CROSS CHURCH, KNUTSFORD



Faithful
to God
Friendly
to all
Flourishing
for all

**SUNDAY 31st October 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**

10am Eucharist

Welcome to St Cross for our morning eucharist.

***As per the pink safety leaflet please remember
'Hands - Face - Space' at ALL times.***

The Collect for the day

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy:

Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the LORD your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, so that you and your children and your children’s children may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you. Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Deuteronomy 6.1-9

*This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God***

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark:
Glory to you, O Lord*

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, ‘Which commandment is the first of

all?’ Jesus answered, ‘The first is, “Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.” The second is this, “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” There is no other commandment greater than these.’ Then the scribe said to him, ‘You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that “he is one, and besides him there is no other”; and “to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength”, and “to love one’s neighbour as oneself”,—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.’ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Mark 12.28-34

*This is the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.***

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**