

## **BUCKLAND ST. MARY CHURCH NEWS**

November 2015

***“A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity ”***

*Proverbs 17 v17*

### **Harvest Supper**

A very successful Harvest Supper was held at Buckland St Mary Village Hall on the 25<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Grateful thanks to Val Jeffery and Caroline Drew and all their helpers for organising this event.

### **Village and Churchyard Clean up – 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

As usual we invite anyone who would like to help to join us in tidying up the churchyard and surrounds ready for the Remembrance Day Service and the Christmas season. We will be meeting around 10am so please come and help improve the environment around the church and enjoy some refreshments too.

### **Remembrance Sunday – 8<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

This year's Remembrance Day service will be held in the Parish Church at Buckland St Mary at 3pm. The collection will be donated to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

### **Marking the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Hare Lane Air Crash**

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 1945, a tragic air crash at Hare Lane led to the deaths of the four Polish Airmen and one British crew and 22 Royal Signalmen on board. The 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this sad event will be marked in a service of Holy Communion held at 10.30 am on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 at the Church of St Mary the Virgin at Buckland St Mary. For more details please contact either Hilary Cumming 01460 234460 or the Rector Reverend Jim Fallon on 01823 421757 or [revfallon@btinternet.com](mailto:revfallon@btinternet.com)

### **Church Bazaar – 28<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

We will be holding the Church Bazaar in the Village Hall at Buckland St Mary starting at 2pm. There will be the usual array of stalls and tempting refreshments to enjoy too. Please come along and bring your friends and family too.

Any donations of unwanted gifts or nearly new items, prizes for the tombola or draw, bottles for the bottle stall etc. would be most welcome. Please contact Vicki Bell 01460 234463 or Lynda Creek 01460 234248 if you have something you wish to donate or bring it to the hall on the morning of the Bazaar between 10am and 1pm.

Proceeds will be shared between the Friends of Buckland School, the Pre-school and a local charity helping the Homeless and those in need.

### **Church Improvements**

The faculty for the tower repairs has been granted and work will start in the spring. Further information on the precise start date will be given nearer the time.

Advice has been given on making sure the church and its grounds conform to the Health and Safety Act 1974 and the required risk assessments and Action Plan will be finalised in the coming months so the Parochial Church Council (PCC) is clear what works are needed to address the identified risks so the church is reasonably safe for us all to enjoy.

**Vicki Bell and Lynda Creek, Churchwardens**

**Dates for your diary:**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2015 - Community Coffee Morning –**

from 10.30am in the church of St Mary the Virgin, Buckland St Mary in aid of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

**Forewarning of the Community Carol Concert at the church of St Mary the Virgin Buckland St Mary – 6.30pm Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**December 2015 – put the date in your diary – more details next month!! More dates for 2015**