





**The Christmas Fair is happening as usual...  
...on Friday Nov 27th –**  
the same evening as  
Father Christmas arrives

in the High Street and turns on the  
Christmas lights.

The Church will be transformed into an  
enticing display of festive stalls where you  
can purchase all manner of bargains and  
Christmas gifts, as well as relaxing over  
drinks and hot snacks. Santa's Grotto will be  
up and running in the Choir vestry, and there  
will be Games organised in the Lower Hall.  
This is truly a Grand Night Out for the family,  
as well as being an important fundraiser and  
a way of raising our profile in the  
community. Do put the date in your diaries  
and remember all the areas in which you can  
help on the day, before and after:

**We need offers of stalls, things to sell on  
them, people to man them, people to set  
up and clear away, people to serve  
refreshments, people to buy. We need you!**

There will soon be pieces of paper to fill in to  
help us muster and organise all the support  
listed above.

Please help to make this into another  
successful and enjoyable way to begin the  
Festive Season, and raise money for good  
causes.

**All enquiries to this year's Co-ordinators,  
Alison Bullett and Julie Haines**



Always nice to include some "thanks" in the  
newsletter:

**Sarah's Wooden Cross**

On behalf of all, we would like to thank  
Sarah (our Minister's wife) for the wondrous  
cross she has made and given to us, which

now hangs at the front of the Church. Every  
time we are in Church our eyes are  
unerringly drawn to it, and apart from its  
sheer beauty, the message of Christ's hands  
and arms portraying love, help, support and  
sacrifice is truly moving.

Sarah's talent is a gift to us, and we are  
indeed fortunate to have these artistic  
qualities coupled with her deep faith in Jesus  
Christ.

So, thank you Sarah.

**John & Jacky Tarrant**



**Around the Circuit – November 2015  
Church Events**

**Chessington**

Our **Remembering Service** takes place on  
Sunday 1 November, at 6.30pm.

The **Chessington Winter Fair** is on Saturday  
21 November, from 11.30am to 2.30pm.  
There will be a variety of activities, including  
Father Christmas, Korean and English Food,  
a raffle, tombola, games etc.

**New Malden**

Our Christmas Fair takes place on Friday  
27th November from 4.30 to 7pm, and  
coincides with Father Christmas turning on  
the lights in New Malden High Street. There  
will be crafts, books, food, traditional  
children's activities & games, toiletries,  
preserves, refreshments, Father Christmas  
and much more. Slots with Father Christmas  
should be booked with Julia Morton:  
[nmmcyw@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nmmcyw@hotmail.co.uk).

**Surbiton Hill**

**Action For Children:** On Saturday 21  
November at 4.30pm Pat and Graham Lavers  
will take us on a photographic journey to  
Poland including many interesting sights in  
and around Krakow, Wroclaw and Warsaw.  
Tea and cakes will be served and Christmas  
Cards and diaries will be on sale together  
with other items. There will be a retiring



North East Surrey Crematorium followed by a thanksgiving service here at 2.30pm.

**Margaret Eccleshall** is now resident in Room 1, Speirs House, 1 The Chesters, Traps Lane, New Malden, KT3 4SF. 'phone 020 8949 8501.

## JUNIOR CHURCH THEATRE VISIT

Please could you let me know if you are coming to the Cryer Theatre in Carlshalton to see **"The Little Matchgirl"** on Saturday 12th December at 3.30 pm. It's **free** to all junior church members under 11. We may be able to arrange transport between us nearer the time. Thank you Julia

**EXCITING BOOKSTALL NEWS** I am very happy to announce that Doreen Downey has volunteered to take over the running of the Bookstall so please support her in her new role and see her for any comments, requests or enquiries. Sue Abell will still be running the Books side of the operation and compiling the rota.

I hope that Doreen finds this job as enjoyable and rewarding as I have and I send her all good wishes. Sarah Moore

## NOTICES

The life of the church means that sometimes there is news - or a request for help - that we all need to share in person with the rest of congregation. Please do speak to the **Stewards** before the Service if you would like **to make an announcement**, or would like them to make an announcement; and give them a slip of paper with any wording or details you need to be passed on precisely. That way you'll know we will remember and get it right! Do please let us know as well if you would like to say a prayer or have a prayer said in the service for a particular person (or persons) or event, or want that prayer to mention a particular thing.

9) Install an external PIR **sensor flood light** to increase visibility and deter burglars.

10) **Photograph and mark valuables**/sentimental items with your postcode and house number/name. Then register the items with their serial numbers at: [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com)

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## Summary of October Notices

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

We are very sad to have to report the death of 'Little' **Doreen Moring** on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October. She was a lovely lady who was always cheerful and smiley despite her many health battles. Her funeral will be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 12.00pm at

## WOOL REQUIRED

Wives are busy making crafts to sell at the Christmas Fair and would welcome donations of red, green and white wool. Please give the wool to Glynis. Many thanks

## CRECHE ROTA

This is an appeal for more volunteers to man crèche on a Sunday morning. You will have to be prepared to have a DBS check. Please See Julia.

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## Diary Dates for November

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm

**Junior Badminton**  
(please note changed time)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 10.30am

**Friday Fellowship**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am

**Coffee Bar – Cancer Research – Glynis & Courtney Fox**

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> 3.00pm

**Music in New Malden**  
**Duo Regalia – violin and viola**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm

**Wives & Friends – Crafts**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm

**Meeting Point – Jessica Hiscocks from Alzheimer's Research UK**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm

**Memory Café in the Welcome Area**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

**Coffee Bar – Wives**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm

**Kingston District Chamber Music Society concert**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm

**Junior Badminton**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 10.00am

**Coffee Bar – Dyscover (Aphasia) – Birgit Cowan**

2.00pm **Dads &**

## Doughnuts

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.00pm

**Wives & Friends – 'Journeys on the 213 Bus'**  
– Amy Graham

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> 8.30pm

**Staff & Stewards' Meeting**

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> 4.30pm

**Christmas Fair**

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

**Coffee Bar – Post Christmas Fair – Birgit Cowan**

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm

**Advent Sunday Music – an extra Music in New Malden concert with the Harmonie Choir**

6.30pm

## Festival of Lights

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**A Victoria Cross Story – another sage article from our Youth Worker.**



## Putting others first

The Victoria Cross was first awarded by Queen Victoria after the Crimean war. It is the highest military decoration and is awarded for "valour in

the face of the enemy" to British and commonwealth servicemen. Since 1856, the Victoria Cross has been awarded 1 356 times. Here is the story of Sergeant Norman Jackson, who was awarded the Victoria Cross for showing considerable bravery and for putting others first.

On the night of 26 - 27 April 1944, when 215 Lancasters and 11 Mosquitoes raided Schweinfurt, strong winds upset the

bombing schedule and enemy fighters attacked the bombers. Sergeant Jackson was the flight engineer in a Lancaster bomber. When his aircraft was attacked, a fire started near a petrol tank on the wing. Sergeant Jackson was thrown to the floor and although he was wounded from the attack, he was determined to put out the fire on the wing. Pushing a hand fire-extinguisher into the top of his life-saving jacket and slipping on his parachute pack, Sergeant Jackson started to climb out of the cockpit and back along the top of the wing. At this point, his parachute pack opened and the whole canopy and rigging lines fell into the cockpit. Undeterred, Sergeant Jackson continued. He slipped, but succeeded in clinging on, although he lost the extinguisher, which was blown away.

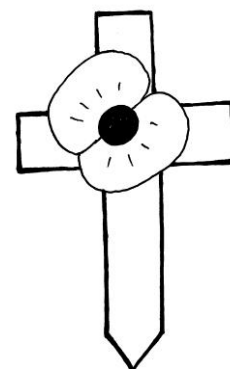
By this time, the fire had spread rapidly and Sergeant Jackson was involved. His face, hands and clothing were severely burnt. Unable to retain his hold, he was swept through the flames and over the trailing edge of the wing, dragging his parachute behind. The parachute was only partly inflated and was burning in a number of places.

The captain gave the order to abandon the aircraft and four of the remaining members of the crew landed safely. Sergeant Jackson was unable to control his descent and landed heavily. He suffered a broken ankle, his right eye was closed through burns and his hands were useless. These injuries, together with the wounds received earlier meant that he suffered considerable pain. At daybreak, he crawled to the nearest village, where he was taken prisoner. After 10 months in hospital, he made a good recovery, although his hands required further treatment.

This airman's attempt to extinguish the fire and save the aircraft and crew from falling into enemy hands was an act of outstanding bravery. To venture outside, when travelling at 200 miles an hour, at a great height and in intense cold, was incredibly courageous. Had he succeeded in subduing the flames, there was little or no chance of him returning to the cockpit. The damage to his parachute reduced his chances of survival to a minimum. By his ready willingness to face these dangers, Sergeant Jackson set an example of self-sacrifice, which will always be remembered.

On Remembrance Sunday we remember this and other brave servicemen and women and all those who have endured hardship through war.

The service at the War Memorial opposite the church will take place at 9.30am on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November.



#### **Services:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Rev Choi – HC
8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Mrs Davis - Family/parade
15 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Vincent
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Rev Choi at 10.30am
	Rev Murray at 6.30pm
29 <sup>th</sup>	Rev Finnan

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