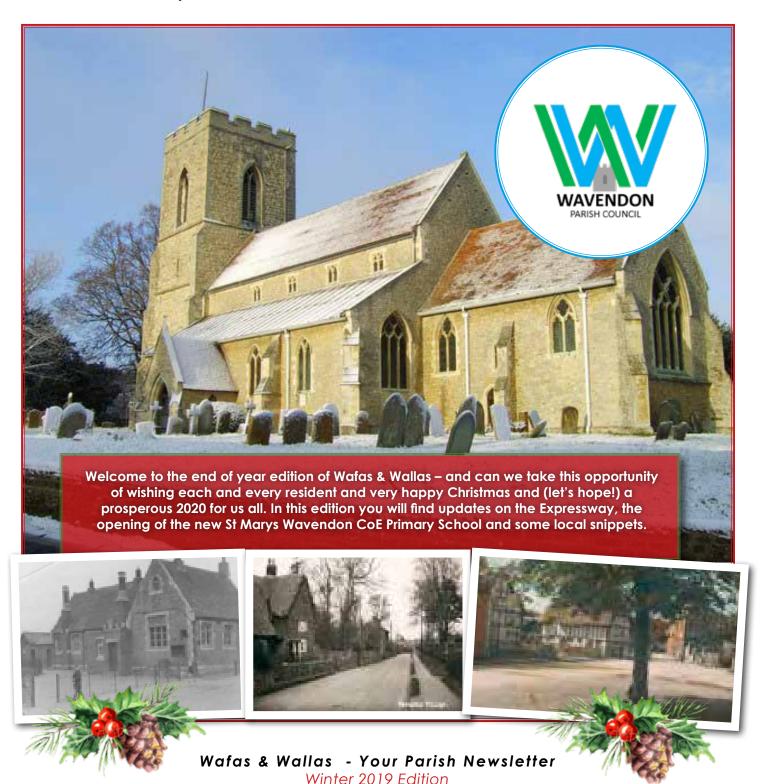
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#### **Wavendon Parish Council**

For any issues that you would like to raise with Wavendon Parish Council please contact, in the first instance, Parish Clerk -Alan Kemp

Wavendon Parish Council Clerk alanj.kemp@btinternet.com

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**Looking to hire** the Wavendon Community Centre?

**Contact Susan Hopkins** 

**Hall Manager:** 

T: 07512 685198

## Interested in becoming a **Parish Councillor in Wavendon?**



Parish Councillors are elected representatives who volunteer their time freely to work on behalf of local residents. Individuals may also be co-opted at the discretion of the council if there is a vacancy.

By becoming a parish councillor you can become a VOICE FOR OUR COMMUNITY, SOMEBODY WHO RESIDENTS WILL LOOK TO FOR HELP, GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT.

You will be involved in local decision making and strategic planning for the benefit of the people you serve. Seeing your community change for the better, as a result of decisions you have helped make, is something that can give you a sense of achievement and pride.

#### **Eligibility for Parish Councillor** (one of the following):

- (a) is registered as a local government elector for the parish; or
- (b) has during the whole of the preceding twelve months occupied as owner or tenant, any land or premises in the parish; or
- (c) his/her principal or only place of work during the preceding twelve months has been in the parish; or
- (d) had during the whole of the preceding twelve months resided in the parish or within 4.8 km thereof.

#### INTERESTED ..... THEN CONTACT:

**Alan Kemp** the Parish Clerk by post at 57 West End, Long Whatton, Loughborough, Leicestershire, LE12 5DW

> or via the telephone on **01509 844241** The Parish Council can also be contacted by email at; alanj.kemp@btinternet.com

## Could you deliver Wafas & Wallas in your street?

LET THE EDITOR KNOW BY EMAILING;

David.hopkins@milton-keynes.gov.uk

... if you could deliver four times a year and help keep our community informed.

## **Bletchley to Bedford Rail Update**



#### **Station Travel Plans**

As previously reported, MVCRP is working with London Northwestern Railway on three Station Travel Plans along the Marston Vale Line by local authority area.

The BBRUA Chairman and MVCRP Officer have been distributing "Access to Stations" surveys to passengers on peak services as one of the first steps. Please help us to inform improvements to, from, and at your local station by completing a survey. Copies will be available at the Christmas meeting or it can completed online at https://www.smartsurvey. co.uk/s/MarstonVale-LNR/.

Alternatively, please contact the BBRUA and they will post one to you with a Freepost envelope.

We also need volunteers to audit the walking and cycling routes to and from each station, focusing on the first and last mile of a journey. Can you help with this for your local station? Training is provided and expenses reimbursed.

The Heritage Centre is open Tuesday - Saturday, 10:00 - 4:00 until 20st December.

The Tea Room is open daily all year round except Mondays 9:00 - 4:00. (closed 20th December - 4th January). Sundays open 11:00 - 3:00 - bookings only.

Booking recommended at other times - call 01525 287120. 10% discount for rail passengers.

Special Festive Afternoon Tea in December (booking required).

#### **Ridgmont Station Heritage Centre Offices Vacant**

At time of writing, two offices remain available on competitive terms following the relocation of the business concerned. The offices are available on a short-term let in addition to a lease arrangement. Full occupation of the offices is a key factor in covering the running costs of the building.

Assistance from members with promotion would be welcome. Please contact me for a copy of the advert.



#### **Saturday 14th December**

Santa will be on the following trains:

- 09:59, 12:01, 2:01 from Bletchley
- 10:55, 12:55, 2:55 from Bedford

The Santa Special calls at all stations between Bedford and Bletchley. (Please avoid bringing nonfolding buggies as space is limited)

A Christmas gift will be given to each child visiting the Grotto, A face painter & balloon modeller will be on board and seasonal refreshments will be on sale. No additional charge to see Santa or for the entertainment. Normal train fares apply.

Please purchase rail tickets in advance if you can from Bedford or Bletchley stations, or via the MVCRP website.

Why not make a day of it and combine a journey with events taking place along the Marston Vale Line?

These include: the train!

- Bedford for Christmas entertainment in the town centre.
- Ridgmont Station Heritage Centre Festive crafts £2.50 per child including squash and cake. Advance booking essential; please contact me. Gift Shop, Tea Room & original Victorian Booking Office open as normal plus a model railway.
- Bletchley experience a 1940s themed Christmas at Bletchley Park just across the road from the station. Second World War Codebreaking Huts open as normal. 2 for 1 entry for rail passengers!

Tickets can be upgraded at no charge to an Annual Season Ticket, providing unlimited free return visits for 12 months.



**Date for Your Diary** Milton Keynes Model Railway **Exhibition 2020** 

Following the successful two-day exhibition to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Milton Keynes Model Railway Society last year, the 2020 Exhibition will also be over two days on Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th February 2020 at Stantonbury Leisure Centre, Milton Keynes. Open 10:00 - 5:00 on Saturday and 10:00 - 4:30 on Sunday.

## **Emergency Planning**

In the event of an incident 999 is the number to call if human welfare is at risk.

The MKC out of hours emergency number is 01908 226699 and can be called where MKC assistance is required and MK Council has a Duty Emergency Planning Response Officer on Duty.

During Office Hours call Emergency Planning on 01908 254555

Alternatively residents should call the Councils normal switchboard number 01908 691691



## **Reporting Issues to**

Milton Keynes Council

Issues that need to be reported to Milton Keynes Council can be done via the link noted below. This covers reporting items such as street lamps, waste and recycling, missed collections, defect on roads/potholes etc.

> www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/ pay-report-aply/report-it

## **Marshall Aerospace possible move to Cranfield**

- RAF and other overseas air forces Hercules Transport Planes serviced and maintained - if approved site would be in operation by 2028/2030
- Engine testing in enclosed hangers
- Hangers up to 40 metres tall
- 180 metre extension to runway
- 1500 staff would move from Cambridge site
- Considerable residential development anticipated in sites neighbouring the area of the proposed airport expansion in Cranfield
- The current CAA licence allows up to 1500 aircraft movements pa
- There is an existing planning consent for expansion of airport
- Local roads will be improved, especially access to A421 and into MK
- Support Expressway and links to Cambridge
- Marshall Aerospace are also considering RAF Duxford as an alternative site



## **Waste Recycling bags**

MKC still provide these free to residents but no longer deliver them automatically every so often to houses. Instead you need to either go on line to MKC website and register, or ring 01908 252570 to order more.



## **Andrew Robson Bridge** Workshop





2019 marks the 10th anniversary of Woburn Sands Bridge Club. To celebrate this milestone the club recently held a bridge workshop led by Andrew Robson, who is a world renowned bridge player, writer and teacher. Almost one hundred bridge enthusiasts attended the workshop, at the Summerlin Centre on Friday 4th October.

Over the course of the day, Andrew took attendees through a series of hands that provided tips and techniques in three important aspects of the game - overcall bidding, placing missing cards by counting shape, and hand evaluation. Most importantly, the sessions were informative for players at all levels, as well as being interesting and enjoyable.

At the end of the workshop, WSBC chair Dorothy Blackburn thanked Andrew and commented that it had been a brilliant day with lots of fun bridge! The event was held in aid of two local charities the Bedford Hospice and Age UK Milton Keynes. The proceedings closed with the customary charity raffle draw - in total, the day raised over £3,000 for the two good causes.

Woburn Sands Bridge Club plays duplicate bridge on Monday afternoons and Wednesday evenings, at St Mary's Church Hall on Aspley Hill.

MORE INFORMATION MAY BE FOUND AT www.bridgewebs.com/woburnsands

## **Become a Greensand Country Charter Member**

Are you a business based in Greensand Country, the distinctive, beautiful and loved countryside from **Leighton Buzzard to Woburn Sands to Gamlingay!** The Greensand Country Landscape Partnership needs your help to put this special place on the map as a recognised visitor destination.



Displaying the logo is just one of the many ways that you can show that you are 'Proud to be a part of Greensand Country, helping to promote our shared landscape for the benefit of everyone; communities, businesses, organisations and visitors. Find out more and sign the Charter at www.greensandcountry. com/caring-for-greensand-country/charter

#### **Village Signs**

The village signs are now in places across the Greensand Country.

Fifteen villages have signs. Each village has more than one entrance. 48 entrances have signs and as there are villages with signs each side of the road there are 55 signs. Our thanks go to Central Bedfordshire Council and the Greensand Trust for their support with the implementation of this project

## WAVENDON WINTER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Saturday 8th February 2020

Bringing you an evening of warmth, light and inspiration in the mid-winter

In support of a local charity

Check local media closer to the date for more details

Contact trevor.hutton@mail.com

#### **News from The Stables**



More than 200 volunteers gathered at The Stables Theatre in Milton Keynes recently for the official presentation ceremony of the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, the UK's top award for volunteering. The presentation was made by the Queen's representative, the Lord Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire, Sir Henry Aubrey-Fletcher, to Jim Rice, Chair of the Board of Trustees, and Helen Sturgess, one of the Stables volunteers chosen at random to collect the award on behalf of the whole group. The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

aims to recognise outstanding work by volunteer groups to benefit their local communities. It was created in 2002 to celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee.

Forthcoming programme highlights include The Stables' annual Christmas production - this year the show is The Scarecrows' Wedding, adapted from best-selling book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, It runs from 17-29 December, And in a new strand in the programme, The Stables will be transformed into Milton Keynes' latest cinema space to screen a series of much-loved films over the next few months. With ample free parking, films starting at the advertised time, theatre-style seating and a range of pre-show eating options available on site, The Stables has everything you could want for a great night out at the movies!

> Full programme details can be found at www.stables.org

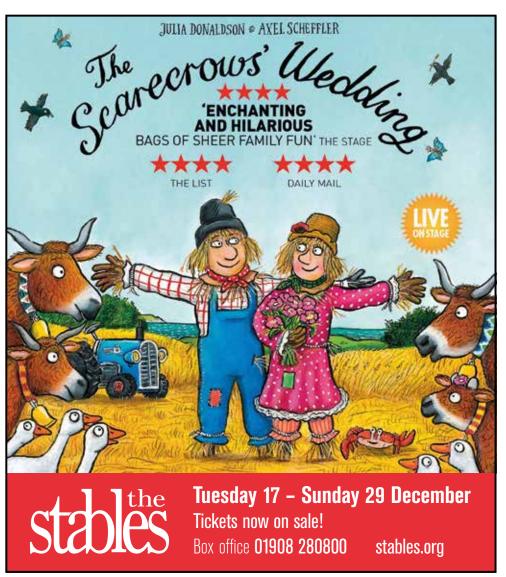


#### www.noexpressway.org/

Over 160 residents filled the Wavendon Community Centre at the recent presentation from the NoExpressway Group.

Link to Presentation heard in Wavendon Community Centre on 28 October can be seen at:

https://www.dropbox. com/s/k9hp2wrw73hpwxt/WavendonOctober-2019DROF.pdf?dl=0



## WHAT CAN BE DONE TO **OPPOSE THE EXPRESSWAY**

1. Each write to your MP and influential people in Milton Keynes Council. When a general election is announced email candidates and ask them whether they support/oppose the Expressway

NAME OF MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT Cllr Peter Marland (Leader MK Council)

House of Commons Milton Keynes Council Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East London SW1A 0AA Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3HG

2. Register as a group or individual stakeholder with Highways England.

Groups email OxfordCambridgeExpressway@ highwaysengland.co.uk and ask to become a Stakeholder Reference Group

Individuals use this link and sign up to become a subscriber - http://service.govdelivery.com/ contacts/UKHIGHWAY/subscriber/new

- 3. Take part in Highways England consultation as soon as the 'route options' are announced
- 4. Work to cancel the Expressway before it is too late (promote East-West Rail as the alternative, preferably electrified). Start a 'Stop the Expressway' local group in your street.
- 5. Submit Environmental, Heritage, Wildlife and other information to Highways England (anyone can do this, not just registered Stakeholders)
- 6. When the time comes, register as Interested Parties for the Planning Inspectorate hearing which could be the last opportunity to make your feelings known.

Contact https://www.noexpressway.org/ and register to receive updates



## **WOBURN SANDS COMMUNITY MARKET DATES**

#### **SATURDAYS**

A Community Market is held bi-monthly on the second Saturday from 10:00-14:00 February, April, June, August, October and December around the Institute and Memorial Green.

This is a market for locally produced food and crafts and is run by volunteers and some Councillors.



#### **OVER 60'S MONTHLY OUTING**

In every month except January, February and November, the Woburn Sands Town Council along with Wavendon and Bow Brickhill parish councils organise and subside a coach trip to a great variety of places of interest.

These are usually held on the third Wednesday of the month and tickets booked via the relevant parish clerk.

For more information or to book contact: l.stapleton@wstc.org.uk

## **Historic England**

#### REGISTER OF PARKS AND GARDENS OF SPECIAL HISTORIC INTEREST IN ENGLAND

Wavendon House landscape, Wavendon House, Wavendon, Milton Keynes List Entry Number: 1458292

Historic England have informed the Parish Council that they have been considering adding the above site to the Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England.

Historic England have taken into account all the representations made, and completed its assessment of the site. Historic England has decided to add Wavendon House landscape to the Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England.

Please follow the link below to download a copy of the advice report, which gives the principal reasons for this decision, together with a map and a copy of the Register entry for this site.

From November 2019 this Register entry will also be available on the National Heritage List for England, which can be accessed through our website.

http://services.historicengland.org.uk/ webfiles/GetFiles.aspx?av=E41B5E90-048F-404B-BC17-85A7FCBDCC61&cn=4A1E4888-27C2-4BE7-8674-72D4AE039570

The Register in itself entails no additional statutory controls. The historic interest of a park or garden is, however, established as a material planning consideration, and the Register provides the key means by which sites of special historic interest are identified. It draws attention to the fact that the sites included should receive special consideration if changes or proposals for development are being contemplated.

Any queries about the registration of the site should be addressed to Historic England. If you have any enquires concerning planning related matters or would like advice on management issues, please contact the HE Regional Landscape Architect.

It is made clear in the Register that the parks and gardens listed are not open to the public unless



they are separately advertised.

Please do not hesitate to contact Historic England if they can be of any further assistance. More information can also be found on the HE website at https://historicengland.org.uk.

#### **AIDAN MISSELBROOK**

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## **Wavendon Properties** - Appeal Inquiry

The Inquiry will be held in January 2020 and residents can attend and request to speak.

#### For more information contact:

#### NIKO GRIGOROPOULOS

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07775 111071

http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk

Milton Keynes Council | Development Management | Growth Economy and Culture | Civic | 1 Saxon Gate East | Milton Keynes | MK9 3EJ

## **Snippets for December**



Having spoken to MK Council Tree Officers, they confirm that the TREE PRESERVATI ORDERS ON THE GOLF COURSE AND CRANFIELD ROAD ARE IMMINENT.

- At the time of going to press, there do not appear to be any applications for the Cranfield Road/Lower End Road area that are likely to arrive in the near future. MK Council has had no more contact with the developers regarding the golf course - the Grade 2 Listed Garden designation may be the final nail in that particular coffin.
- A Senior Planning officer at the MK Council planning department has received a preapplication for 300-400 houses on land at the back of Deethe Farm and the Woburn Emporium. In any event that's not likely to come forward as an application in the near future -if at all.
- THE LISTED GARDEN DESIGNATION AT WAVENDON HOUSE is very strong equivalent to a Listed Building. So not only does it protect the landscape covered by the designation, any proposed development on adjoining sites needs to be considered in terms of their effect on the setting of the listed landscape. It doesn't necessarily prevent development, but development does need to show that it doesn't negatively impact upon the designated landscape.
- The new mini SID (SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE) has been installed on Newport Road on a site just passed the 30mph coming into Woburn Sands. (a WSTC initiative). The solar panel has been installed on Hardwick Road outside Edgewick Field on the bend where the SID can be moved to after a month. The MK Council contractor (Ringway) has installed the third post in Cranfield Road just past the 30mph. In the next financial year budget has been given to installing the third solar panel and then this will be the third location.



## And so it begins...

Children, parents, dignitaries and staff were in attendance at the recent opening service of St Mary's Wavendon CE Primary School in Eagle Farm.

The school values were celebrated throughout the service, and modelled in the view by the Rt Hon Mayor of Milton Keynes who told the children that they held their future, and the future of Milton Keynes in their hands. Rev Matt Trendall of St Mary's Church, Wavendon, blessed the time capsule prior to its burial in the school grounds.

We are grateful to all those who have helped to make St Mary's a fantastic school. We now look forward to making it a very special place in which to LOVE LEARN AND GROW.

office@stmaryswavendon.milton-keynes.sch.uk Come and join us!



## **Great Days Work ...**

and lucky with the weather.

62 more trees planted on the recreation ground, beds tidied ready for winter Speed signs moved again to comply with MKC regulations The last of 50 kilos of bulbs planted on the banks at the eastern entrance to the village so hopefully spring will be a delight next year If you would like to join us follow our Facebook page WAVENDON VOLUNTEER ARMY Next event will be January when we clear overgrown areas of the recreation ground







#### News

#### MRS ROBINSON'S OUTING:

Please note the date in your diary for next year's outing will be on Tuesday the 8th September 2020, for residents over the age of 60 and living in the Ancient Parish of Wavendon. For qualifying residents this is a free outing that takes place every year because of the generous bequest made in 1965 to the Parish Council by Mrs E L Robinson (a former resident). However, should you wish to bring a friend with you there will be a charge of £10.00 per guest.

More details will be included in a future edition of the Newsletter.

#### OLD SCHOOL CLOCK:

The clock was installed at Church End on the 6th October 1978 and it hadn't worked properly for over 10 years. The Parish council was successful in securing monies via the 106 tariff fund from Milton Keynes Council to have the clock restored by Smiths of Derby. There is still a requirement to have a battery back-up system installed to ensure that the clock records the correct time should there be an interruption to the electric supply.

Pictures show the clock before and after restoration.





## **Christmas and Winter Safety Advice**

There's a lot to think about over Christmas and the winter months - but firefighters hope fire safety features prominently on your to-do list!

Decorations, cards, wrapping paper Christmas trees can all act as extra fuel for a fire sparked by candles, overheated sockets, faulty fairy lights or cigarettes. The risks increase when you add cooking, drinking, parties, guests and extra heating into the mix.

Here's advice some seasonal from Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service to help you celebrate in safety:

- Ensure you have a working smoke alarm installed on all levels of your home. Test your smoke alarms every month and never remove working batteries.
- Check on older relatives and neighbours this Christmas and offer to test their smoke alarms.
- Never leave cooking unattended. The majority of fires start in the kitchen, so this is a high-risk area. Avoid cooking while under the influence of alcohol, and always turn off kitchen appliances when you have finished cooking.
- Never leave candles unattended. Keep candles out of the reach of children, and away from decorations, cards, wrapping paper, fires, lights and heaters.
- If you smoke, make sure cigarettes are fully extinguished, and take extra care if you are tired or have had a drink.
- Don't block exits with Christmas trees and presents.
- Don't overload sockets. Always turn off plugs when they are not in use, except appliances that are designed to be left on, such as fridges and freezers.
- Switch off Christmas lights and unplug them before you go out or go to bed. Check your lights have the CE marking.
- Always use an RCD (residual current





device) on outdoor electrical equipment.

- Never use heaters to dry clothes. Heaters can start fires when things are placed too close to them. Keep them well away from curtains, clothing, furniture and decorations.
- In the event of a fire, get out, stay out and call 999. Make sure everyone staying with you over Christmas knows what to do in an emergency.

https://bucksfire.gov.uk for more safety tips.



#### **Girl Power**

Girls' football is growing at a phenomenal rate, but nowhere more so than right here in Wavendon!

Woburn & Wavendon FC has one of the country's largest number of grassroots football teams. In fact the club has an all-girl team at every age group from under 8 through to adult women.

Long before the Lionesses of the England Womens' team were capturing the nation's attention, WWFC's Lionesses were thriving with a number of teams playing regular matches. Today the Club has eleven teams with five of the youngest groups playing in Wavendon. Wavendon Recreation Ground and the new St Marys C of E Primary School playing fields at Eagle Farm provide excellent venues for the girls to make the most of all the FUN and FRIENDSHIP football can provide.

Every year from March through to July the Club delivers the FA backed Wildcats Football centre. enabling local girls to sample all the excitement of organised football. Last year there were more than sixty participants – one of the largest attendances in England!

WWFC also holds one of the UK's largest girls' football tournaments in June, with nearly 150 teams attending over two days at Woburn.



If you're interested in finding out more about girls' football with your local FA Charter Standard Community Club, email:- girlsfootball@ww-fc.co.uk





Lighting up the Christmas Tree With carols on the Green Sunday Dec 8th 3.45pm

Join us on St Mary's Green to celebrate the start of Christmas





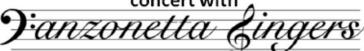






Carols and Christmas songs led by Revd. Matt Trendall and Alise Trendall Mulled wine & mince pies provided

Prizes for best Christmas jumper and/or hat — don't hold back! (Bring a light to read the carol sheets). Look forward to seeing you there. You are warmly welcomed to a Christmas concert with



# St. Mary's Church, Wavendon Saturday 7th December 2019 at 7pm

Canzonetta Singers present an uplifting seasonal programme, with favourites old and new.

The perfect way to start your Christmas! Free entry, light refreshments and a retiring collection with donations going to St. Marys.

# Christingle at St Mary's Wavendon



Join us for Cafe Church SUNDAY 8th December at 9.30am

Everyone's welcome - we'll share breakfast and talk about the real meaning of Christmas at this interactive service for all the family



St Mary's Church

Wavendon

## **CHRISTMAS** QUIZ

With extra prizes!

**Tuesday, 17th December** 

All welcome - BYO drinks, nibbles - £1 entry

A WARM WELCOME all year round to St Mary's Church Wavendon

Weekly:

Mondays 9.15am 'Revive' informal prayers

Wednesdays Study Groups 9.30, 1.15 or 7.00

Thursdays Coffee Morning 9.45-12.00 followed by Midday Prayers

Sundays Weekly Service 9.30 Children welcome!

Monthly meetings in Wavendon

OpenHouse@StMarys 2nd Mondays 2.00-3.30

Seniors' Friendship Group 1st & 3rd Tuesdays in the Community Hall 2.00 - 4.00

St Mary's Quiz Night 3rd Tuesdays 7.30-9.00

## St Mary's Church Christmas 2019



## Christingle

9.30am

#### **Sunday 8th December**

Thinking about the real meaning of Christmas at our interactive, all-age Cafe Church service



Carol Service 6pm

#### Sunday 15th December

Christ's arrival retold through Nine Lessons and Carols

## **Christmas Eve**

Crib Service 3pm



### **Christmas Eve Communion**

9.30pm 'Midnight in Bethlehem'



# Christmas Day Carols

Informal, all-age celebration with your favourite carols

10am

Everyone welcome!



Who? For Ages 9 - 14

Where? Christ the King Church, Kents Hill

When? Activities every Thursday, alternating Youth Club (7-9) and Rock Solid (7-8.30)

What? Youth Club - make friends and chill (£1) Rock Solid - learn about Jesus through games, activities and chat (no charge)

How? Check dates on St Mary's Church website then just come along - bring a friend!





For further information about St Mary's Church and other local churches please visit our partnership website www.wcp.co.uk

For confidential support in prayer please email

prayerchain.wavendon@gmail.com

