St Mary Magdalene Church, Littleton
Weekly Newsletter

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Our church is committed to making all activities as open and accessible to all

In a few weeks time I will finish my parental role sitting at the side of swimming lessons. There is loads of parenting that is great, but swimming lessons are something I won't miss. I must have been at my first one in the pool as a parent back in 2009, so 17 years feels long enough. I am glad that none of my children have shown the enthusiasm for really wanting to take swimming seriously and to those parents who sat poolside at 5am or spent their weekends in leisure centres up and down the country I salute you!

One of the things of swimming lessons is when you're in the pool with your child or when you're watching from the side encouraging them to jump in.

The looks of fear on their faces, the times they run off back into the changing rooms and then the time they eventually do it and then they won't stop. Getting them to do the first jump is the hardest thing.

Thinking about inviting someone to church in two weeks time can feel like that. The fear of talking about it. The longing to run away and do anything but. Then the moment comes of actually doing it and who knows what the answer might be?

If you're feeling fearful of doing it you're not alone. It's daunting, but God is with you and as you ask they might say yes.

So this week, keep praying, take the plunge maybe use one of the invites at the back of church. Ask a friend, a family member, a neighbour to come with you to church on the 15th of November or any Sunday.

The worst they can say is no and if they do, the next time they may say yes. An invite can change a life.

Go on, jump in and ask!

Have a blessed week,

Tim

This Sunday's Readings & Collect –

1 John 3:1-3 ***John 11:25-27***

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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THIS WEEK

Sunday Services 1 November

9.30 in church and 11.15 in the school

Service of Light 1 November at 3pm

Older Youth 7pm

Cornerstone 2 November 10-12 in the OSB

Beer & Bible 3 November at 8.15pm

in The Barley Mow

Wednesday Fellowship 4 November 10am

(Communion)

Prayer Meeting 4 November at 8pm on Zoom

Littletots 5 November at 9.30 in OSB

Remembrance Day Services 8 November 10am

Older Youth 7pm

SERVICE OF LIGHT

Sunday 1 November at 3pm

Followed by tea, cake and time to talk





REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Sunday 8 November 10am



WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 21 November

9.30am in the OSB

Tickets now on sale £5pp



