

## **In Peace**



11<sup>th</sup> November Phyllis Wareham

## **All Saints' Travelling Crib**

An old Mexican custom uses the idea of people dressed as Mary and Joseph travelling round the village, knocking at doors to see who will give them hospitality.

We have adapted this custom with our very own Travelling Crib. The crib boxes contain Nativity Figures, an Advent Calendar, a Storybook and pictures to colour.

Our cribs will be blessed at the Family Service on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December and then they will move from home to home so that, by Christmas, Mary and Joseph will have travelled round Hertford, arriving at the Crib Service at All Saints on Christmas Eve. We invite everyone to take part.

If you would like a family to bring a travelling crib to your home, please speak to Kath Oates, Rosemary Bolton or Ann Stephens-Jones (Contact information at back of this magazine).

## **Mothers Union**

**Tues 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017 7pm AGM and Planning Meeting** Our annual planning meeting and pot luck supper with refreshments and finger buffet food in the Church Meeting Room at 7pm. Please come with good ideas for 2017.

For more information, please speak to Ann or Rosemary.

## **A Clean Church**

God's house needs more TLC. Can you spare an hour or two to help?

There is a small and dedicated group who care for our lovely church but they need an extra pair of hands or two, to really ensure all areas are covered.

If you can help or wish to know more, please speak to Jo, Janet or Colin.

## **Vestry Roof – before/after**





## **Alzheimer's Society**



Join us for a magical evening of musical performances, special guests and festive treats in the beautiful setting of All Saints. All proceeds will help us transform the lives of people affected by dementia.

Tickets start at just £5.

To book or to find out more please visit [www.alzheimers.org.uk/carolsbycandlelight](http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/carolsbycandlelight) or call 0330 333 0804.

## **Richard Hale School**

**"Music is for Everyone"**

Music is intrinsic to our tradition and ethos at Richard Hale School.

We are proud and humbled by the significant numbers of very talented students who we have the pleasure of working with each day. Our core principle is that "music is for everyone". It should not be just for the fortunate or handpicked few; we encourage and develop all students to become better musicians.

This year we started a new project with Year 7 boys whereby they all learnt to play the ukulele during their first half term. They also experienced the joy of group singing

and skilfully accompanied themselves in various reggae and spiritual numbers. This is just one of the ways we are encouraging all boys to pick up an instrument and use their voice!



Come and hear us at our Christmas concert on Weds 7<sup>th</sup> December. Richard Hale School celebrates its 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017 and the Music Department is playing a very significant role in the many events planned.

On 26<sup>th</sup> January we will be having a service of thanksgiving at St. Paul's Cathedral where our concert band and choir will be performing a number of items. This represents a hugely exciting challenge for our students and momentum is rapidly building ahead of the event.

A few days later our school production, "Tales of Hale, through Music and Drama", runs at Hertford Theatre from 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> February. This is no ordinary musical! It has been specially written by the school to include highlights from past Richard Hale musicals as well as music and readings of historical significance to the school's past.

Lastly, our Arts Week runs from 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> July, again at Hertford Theatre, and will feature a range of music and drama performances from students past and present. You are warmly invited to join us to help celebrate our 400<sup>th</sup> birthday!

The backdrop to these high profile events are the many ensembles and choirs which rehearse day in day out. We've already clocked up over 160 hours of rehearsal time this term!

Music is most certainly alive and kicking at Richard Hale School and long may it last.

We are always keen to engage with the local community and work alongside other organisations, most recently with our primary school's outreach work.

If you would like to get involved with our work please feel free to have a look and listen at what we are up to by following us on Twitter (@RHSMusic2017) or by contacting us at [music@richardhale.co.uk](mailto:music@richardhale.co.uk)

Mr P Camm  
Head of Music

Experience #JoyToTheWorld this Christmas at one of thousands of Christmas services and events happening in Church of England churches around the country this December.

Visit [www.AChristmasNearYou.org](http://www.AChristmasNearYou.org) to find services happening near you including carols, nativities and mince pies.

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## Heigh Ho Holiday!

Hertfordshire Festival of Music presents

A festive concert celebration of the New Year through the music and words of times past. Perfect for brightening up a dark winter's day, and suitable for families (children 8+). The City Music with actor Andrew Havill will perform on instruments of the 17th century, with wassails, dance-music and readings.

2pm – 4pm, New Year's Eve All Saints' Church, Queens Road, Hertford

**Tickets via Hertford Theatre (01992 531 500), in person or online ([hertfordtheatre.com/events](http://hertfordtheatre.com/events))**  
£20\* (nave) or £15\* (side aisle); £10\* (nave) or £4\* (side aisle) for anyone under 18 or in full-time education

Please note: online bookings of up to 9 tickets will be subject to a single £2.50 transaction fee. There is an additional charge of £1.00 for postage or collect for free from the Box Office. For bookings of 9+ please contact the Box Office

**Duration** Approx. 2 hours, including a 20 minute interval (refreshments available). Suitable for ages 8 years +

**Venue** All Saints' Church, Queens Road, Hertford SG13 8AY

**Wheelchair users**  
Four spaces available for wheelchair users and their companions with a 10% reduction in ticket prices available: please contact the Hertford Theatre Box Office for details

**Parking at the Church**  
A limited number of spaces are available for wheelchair users, please contact [info@hertsmusicfest.org.uk](mailto:info@hertsmusicfest.org.uk) for information


**Car parks nearby** include Gascoyne Way, St Andrew Street and Hartham Common. Please note spaces may be limited

**Nearest train stations** are Hertford East and Hertford North, both around fifteen minutes' walk from All Saints' Church

**Retiring collection:** In support of Mount Vernon Cancer Centre

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## Hertford Choral Society's Christmas Concert

with St Joseph's in the Park School Choir

**Saturday 10th December 2016**  
7:30 All Saints' Church, Hertford SG13 8AY

**HC S**  
Hertford Choral Society

James Gower bass  
Chris Muhley piano  
Roger Mullis compère

Derek Harrison HCS conductor  
Gabriela Matosevic St Joseph's conductor

*Celebrating Derek Harrison's 40 years of making music with HCS*

**TICKETS** £13 reserved, £8 unreserved, £4 students under 25  
Phone 07936 719498 Email [tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk](mailto:tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk)  
Online [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)  
In person (from 12 November, unreserved only) from Hertford Town & Tourist Information Centre, 10-12 The Wash, Hertford, SG14 1PX.

## A Quiet Day in Advent



Space away from the busyness of life to reflect and prepare for the mystery of Christmas

Guided times of reflection with opportunities to rest beside a cosy fire or stroll in beautiful grounds

**Saturday 10th December 10am -2pm**  
**The Grove, Port Hill**

Please bring a packed lunch  
Spaces are limited please contact Alan Stewart [h.alanstewart1@gmail.com](mailto:h.alanstewart1@gmail.com)