

## Events This week

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>** Smannell School Remembrance Service  
10.50 am at Christ Church Smannell

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>** WWI Memorial Remembrance  
Service 10.50 am The Green Enham

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>** Encounters with the Centurion & his  
servant plus the Vineyard band 6.30 pm Charlton

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>** Messy Church Smannell School 3 pm

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>** Holly Communion 10 am Tangley

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>** Compline 9.15 pm Charlton

## Notices from around the Benefice....

**Tangley Remembrance** after the service all are  
welcome to coffee at The Cricketers with donations  
going to the Poppy Appeal.

**Gift Weekend** for Hatherden & Tangley, Saturday  
11<sup>th</sup> November 10 – noon Christ Church Hatherden.

**Auction of Promises** 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 7.30 pm Penton  
Village Hall Tickets £10 inc supper

**Barn Dance** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 pm  
Tickets £12 inc supper Call Jan 01264 710173 to  
book.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>** Tangley Reflection on life of Dietrich  
Bonhoeffer 6 pm

## In your Prayers please pray for.....

All those who have gone before us. Lest we Forget

Our world leaders, as they make visits to other  
nations may they be harmonious.

All the emergency services and forces staff, may  
they be safe in their everyday work.

## Community Diary Dates

**Christmas Tree Festival** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> December. St  
Michaels West Andover Times tbc.

**E-Major** Swing Concert 6 pm Friday 17<sup>th</sup> at the  
Choices Building Enham tickets £5 on the door or  
Call Revd Val for full info 01264

**Vintage Fair** at The Enham Trust Choices  
Building 2 – 5 pm Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>

## Readings This Week

Wisd 6. 12 – 16      Canticale: Wisd 6. 17 - 20  
I Thess 4. 13 – end      Matt 25 34 - 40

## Next Week

Zeph 7, 12 – end      Ps 90 1 – 8 [9 - 11] 12  
I Thess 5 1 – 11      Matt 25 14 - 30

## Words of Encouragement

By Andrew Warner

When Sir Walter Scott was a boy, he was considered a great dullard. His accustomed place in the schoolroom was the dunce's corner. When about twelve years old, he happened to be in a house where some famous literary guests were being entertained. Robert Burns, the Scottish poet, was standing admiring a picture under which was written the couplet of a stanza. He inquired concerning the author. No one seemed to know. Timidly a boy crept up to his side, named the author, and quoted the rest of the poem. Burns was surprised and delighted. Laying his hand on the boy's head, he exclaimed, "Ah, bairnie, ye will be a great man in Scotland some day." From that day Walter Scott was a changed lad. One word of encouragement set him on the road to greatness.

Yes, 'words of encouragement' need to come *from* us as well as to us. I remember the reaction of the plumber who had installed a water softener we had bought, after the manufacturer had called to check out that it had been fitted properly. The plumber clearly assumed I was ringing to complain; but he was rendered almost speechless when I told him that the inspector had told me it was the best installation he had ever seen, and that I was ringing him to say 'Thank you!'

How often do we take people for granted just because they are "doing their job"? How many chances do we miss to give a word of encouragement to other people? It could be just the word they desperately need.

## Notes from Pastrow Admin

Don't forget you can advertise your parish events, just send me the information by post to Admin, c/o The Rectory, Chalkcroft Lane, Penton Mewsey SP11 0RD or call 07999 352585 or email [events@pastrowbenefice.org.uk](mailto:events@pastrowbenefice.org.uk)