P.C.C. Accounts month ending 31st October 2019

	£		£
Balance carried forward	586.52	Vicar's expenses	200.00
November income	1,755.81	Magazines	378.40
Total	2,342.33	Parish share	570.00
Expenditure	1,836.95	Church Insurance	315.28
Balance carried forward	<u>505.38</u>	Electricity	00.00
		Cathedral shop	269.77
		Church water rates	54.17
		Photo-copier	<u>49.03</u>
		Total	1 <u>,836.95</u>

Parish share paid up to 30th November £16,520.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday 15th December 9.45am: Parish Eucharist.

6.00pm: Carols by Candlelight.

Tuesday 17th December 7.00pm: Carols around the tree with sherry

and mince pies.

Sunday 22nd December 9.45am: Parish Eucharist.

Tuesday 24th December 6.00pm: Christmas Eve with Christingle.

Wednesday 25th December 9.45am: Holy Communion for Christmas Day.

Sunday 29th December 9.45am: Parish Eucharist.

Church website and Facebook page may be found at: www.stmatthewsnewbottle.org

Sunday 8th December 2019 - "Advent Two"

9.45am: Parish Eucharist. Collect & readings page 5.

Hymn – 404; Let all the...

O.T. reading: Isaiah 11:1-10. P. French.

N.T. reading: Romans 15:4-13. Hymn – 538; On Jordan's bank...

Gospel reading: Matthew 3:1-12.

Lighting of the 2nd Advent Candle – the O.T. prophets.

Sermon – M. Adamson.

Prayers – M. Lydiatt.

Collection hymn – 189; God is working...

Holy Communion music – 799; All I once...

Holy Communion hymn – 331; In heavenly love...

Final hymn – 857; I the Lord...

11.00am: Burial of Ashes; Kim Harriman.

6.00pm: Evening Prayer with Holy Communion.

Hymn – 53; Hark the glad...

Psalm – 11:1-end.

O.T. reading: 1 Kings 18:17-39. J. Warren. N.T. reading: John 1:19-28. M. Lawson.

Hymn – 14; O God... tune 14

Sermon – Vicar.

Prayers – Vicar.

Hymn – 52; The Lord will...

Hymn – 456; Jesus kind...

Mid-week Services

Tuesday 10.00am: Open Church.

7.00pm: **UKELELE** concert.

Wednesday 9.30am: Holy Communion.

Friday 10.30am: Funeral; Edward Lynn.

Prayer said Together after Advent Candle is Lit.

Lord Jesus, light of the world, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people in trouble:

Give peace in our hearts today at Christmas and show all the world God's love. Amen.

<u>Prayers:</u> Christopher Browne; Ron Brewis; Mary Brewis; Pauline Larmar; Yvonne Brown; Joan Swanson; David Ramsay.

<u>Departed</u>: Rev. Alan Stainsby; Edward Lynn; Colin Wakefield; Hazel Green; Peter Allen; Kim Harriman; Mary Ferguson.

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Church of England Election Prayer

God of grace and truth,
Send your Spirit to guide us
As we discover your will for our country.
Help us to discuss the issues before us
With courtesy, truth and mutual respect
And grant that all who stand for parliament
Will seek to serve the common good
Through him who came not to be served but to serve
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop Paul & bishop Sarah urge all who are eligible to vote to do so and pray for the "General Election Process" – see letter at back of church.

HOLY COMMUNION MUSIC / HYMNS: please indicate your preferred music / hymn on the sheet at the back of church.

<u>Tuesday 10th December at 7.00pm in church:</u> "THE UKULELE BAND CONCERT" – Refreshment – Free Entry – Donations Welcome.

<u>**THANKYOU:**</u> thanks to everyone who contributed to making our Christmas Fair a big success – final total raised and excellent £1,300.

P.C.C. meeting: Monday 20th January, 7.30pm in the church hall.

S.M.D.T. meeting: Monday 13th January, 7.00pm in the vestry.

Hall Comm Meeting: Tuesday 7th January, 7.30pm in church hall.

Prayer meeting: next meeting to be announced.

Women's Fellowship: details of next meeting to announced.

Mother's Union: next meeting to be arranged.

Sunday 15th December 2019 – "Advent Three"

9.45am: Parish Eucharist. Collect & readings - page 9.

Isa 35:1-10; Rom 15:4-13. – M. Lydiatt.

Gospel: Matt 3:1-12.

Prayers: S. Holmes. Welcome: B. Hall.

Sermon: Vicar.

6.00pm: CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT.

Psalm -

O.T. reading: N.T. reading:

Welcome: Prayers:

Sermon:

Food Bank - Supplies would be greatly appreciated.

Donations of tinned food and other non-perishables for "St. Matthew's Food Bank", to support those going through a hard time, would be appreciated by the PCC.

Please make sure items have a fairly long use by date / shelf life.

Magazine deadline dates 2020:

Jan/Feb - 29th Dec '19; Mar/April - 16th Feb; May/ June - 19th April; July/Aug - 21st June; Sept/Oct - 23rd Aug; Nov/Dec - 25th Oct.