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This Sunday 9th is a Baptism Eucharist, celebrating the Baptism of Hannah Louise Tofts in church at 9.30am.
Our Zoom service will be celebrated at 5pm.
The church will be open for private prayer between 10 and 11 am on Wednesday.
Do join us to share in worship.

BURIAL OF ASHES 10.45am, 9th JANUARY

After the 9.30 service, David Williams' ashes will be interred in our Memorial Garden. Those who knew David and wish to attend are very welcome.

ST MARY'S GROUP: 8 PM 10 JANUARY 2022

Please come to our New Year Party at 8 p.m. in the Windsor Room, preferably bringing a small snack or drink. It is hoped to serve mulled wine and there will be a quiz.

MOTHERS' UNION

I am pleased to say that the first monthly meeting of our MU Branch will take place on TUESDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2022 at 2.30pm in the Vestry Meeting Room followed by tea and biscuits . All will be very welcome . You do not have to be a Member or a mother or even a woman ! Please note that there will NOT be a meeting on Tuesday 11th January .

Barbara Williams.

MENGO HOSPITAL UGANDA

There will be a collection for this Christian hospital in the hall after the 9.30 service. Please give generously to a worthwhile cause and, if you have not done so, collect the latest edition of Mengo Notes.

ST MARY'S COVID SAFETY REMINDERS

Please do not come to the church if you are displaying any Covid symptoms or if you are required to self-isolate, and please seriously consider whether it is wise to attend if you have cold or 'flu symptoms, in fairness to others.

The government has now announced that England will move to Plan B in response to the risks of the Omicron variant. From Friday 10 December the public, and staff in public facing areas, are, unless exempt, required to wear face coverings in some additional settings, including places of worship and community centres.

This means that unless you are exempt face masks must be worn in church and also in the church hall, except when taking refreshments e.g. when drinking tea and coffee.

To maintain a Covid-safe church, and to respect the sensitivities and health of all your fellow worshippers, you are strongly encouraged to:

- take regular lateral flow tests, and do not attend church if you test positive,
- use our hand sanitisers,
- aim to keep at least 1 metre apart from those who are not in your group, both inside the church and hall and while waiting to enter or leave,
- donate by cash or card to the offertory collection when entering or leaving,
- sing softly and wear a face mask in services with congregational hymns.

While inside St Mary's buildings, you can choose to be in church in any size group, and within those groups you can agree how much you want to 'socially distance'. You can sit together but do not have to do so. You are welcome to use the QR code or write your name and contact details for your group on the list at the entry door to enable 'Test and Trace'.

Holy Communion will be offered through consecrated bread only.
