

Hertford's Bishop and Mayor will get Charity Christmas Tree Festival off to a successful start.



The 6-8 December 2013, promises to be an action packed weekend at All Saints Church.

Taking part in the event are local Schools, Charities, businesses, Groups and Individuals.

On Friday the 6th December, Abel Smith School starts the event at 09.00am, while Cllr Patricia Moore, Mayor of Hertford will be visiting the Festival at 2.00pm to watch the Rt Revd Paul Bayes, Bishop of Hertford, Bless the Event. This will be followed by a performance by Duncombe Preparatory School and the Judging of the 'Best Decorated Christmas Tree' by Julie Palmer, Editor of the Hertfordshire Mercury. The entertainment continues over the weekend, with performances from our own talented musicians and a Soirée and Sing-Along, planned for the Saturday Night at 7.00pm. Mulled Wine and Mince Pies will add to the Christmas atmosphere (Adults: £5.00. Children: Free)

Other Attractions include a Grand Prize Draw with fantastic prizes, donated by local businesses and church members. A Christmas Wreath Competition and Cake, Craft and Gift Stalls. There will be activities for children, Santa will put in surprise visits and there will be chance to test your knowledge on a Christmas Quiz put together by Revd Gerry Booker. Chocolate lovers will have a Tombola. There will be guess the weight of the Cake, guess the name of the Doll and Teddy and a Daily Raffle, Second Hand Books, Bric-a-Brac and the Aschiana Gift Stall.

Refreshments will be available on all three days including a delicious choice at Lunch Time.

There will be an opportunity for you to remember someone or something with a Tree dedicated to Prayer.

We will have our usual Sunday services, finishing the Festival with an Advent Songs of Praise.

As you can see the planning team has had a busy few months and would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to help, however we still need help from more church members during the weekend. We are not asking for hard work, just whatever time you can spare to sit with the children's activities, the Grand Prize Draw, raffle or any of the stalls.

Please sign up on the board in church or tell Dorothy Toyn or the Churchwardens when you are available.

Thank you
The Planning Team