



**WINTER
EDITION**

a little**MORE** conversation

Your church, Our community

Let there be light...

(...and heating...and toilets!)



The Vicar, Rev Margreet Armitstead

Our project launch on 22nd September was a great success, with many groups and individuals of the community all coming together.

We were thrilled that people were so positive about our aim of making the church a warm and welcoming community space for services and events.

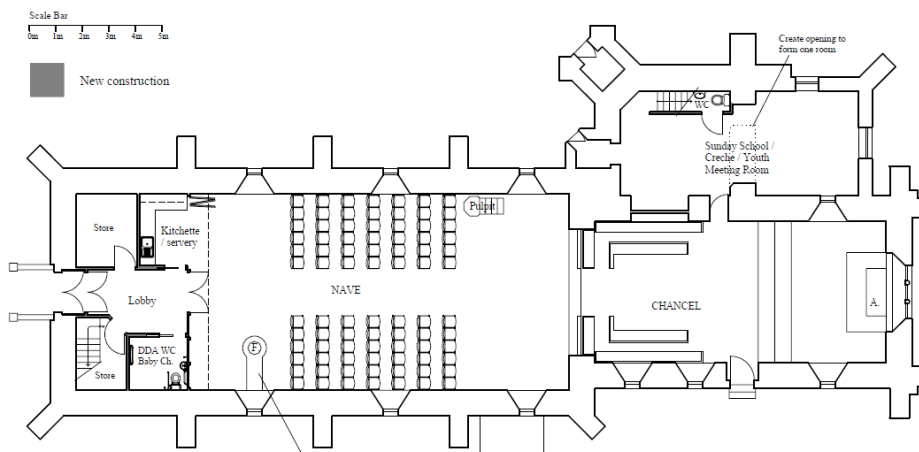
We shared our vision that one day there will be a range of services and groups for children, parents and the elderly, with music, dance and food.



Nuzhat Abbas and Theresa Burton at the launch

Meanwhile...

The vision for our new church interior has been taking shape. Here are the latest drawings from our architect, Christian Randall. Keeping the lovely feel of a Victorian building whilst opening it up to everyday community life has been quite a juggling act - but it is happening! We are confident it won't be too long before we get the permissions we need to start work.



Proposed floor plan for new church interior

Bumper crop for Harvest of Talents!

The church overflowed with colour and energy for our yearly local art exhibition 'Harvest of Talents' in late September and early October. On the right is some of the artwork displayed at the Harvest of Talents



You said:

'I heartily recommend St Mary and St Nicholas church as a concert venue. Both audience and musicians alike receive a warm welcome, but the church needs additional facilities within the building to improve the comfort and experience.'

Professional musician who performed in church



Benjamin's smile says it all

'Thank you so much for your offer of a future user space at your Church. This is something that is greatly needed in Littlemore for our young children and families.'

Young mum from Littlemore

How can you help?

There are lots of ways you could think about helping the appeal: putting up posters, baking cakes and biscuits, helping out at concerts and other events, manning a stall at the bazaar or even delivering copies of this newsletter next time.

And you may well have ideas of your own about sponsorship or putting on a fundraising event.

Why not get together with a group of friends?

The more of us take part, the sooner it's going to happen!

Pick up the phone now and speak to a member of the team on:

07983979592 , or

Rev Margreet on 01865748003 or

send an email to

vicar@littlemorechurch.org

Christmas Bazaar!!!



Christmas Bazaar 2016 is here

Date 10th December

Time 12noon – 4pm

Venue Village Hall: Railway Lane,
Littlemore, Oxford,
OX4 4PY

Come and see the design, ask questions and show support!



Lantern festival lights

Upcoming Events

- **St Nicholas Lantern Festival:** 8th December, 4pm at Community Centre
- **Christmas Bazaar:** 10th December, 12noon – 4pm at the Village Hall
- **Christingle Sunday:** 11th December, 5pm at the Church
- **Community Carol Service:** Monday 19th December, 7pm at the Church
- **Crib Service:** 24th December, 5pm at the Church, Christmas service for the whole family, with real baby!
- **Midnight Mass:** 24th December, 11pm at the Church: Carol singing in church, followed by 11.30 Midnight Mass.
- **Christmas Day Service:** 25th December, 10am: Christmas Family Eucharist.
- **Littlemore Community Christmas Day Lunch:** 25th December, 1 - 4pm at the John Henry Newman Academy. To book call Caroline Gale on 01235 819499 or Revd Margreet Armitstead on 01865748003. Transport and vegetarian option available.

