



## CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2018

**Saturday and Sunday December 8 and 9**

To be writing about Christmas whilst in a heat wave is strange BUT once again you are invited to take part in this very exciting event! This year the date of the Festival is on **8 and 9 DECEMBER**, and as before we are going to fill All Saints Church with Christmas trees, each one designed and decorated by individuals, families, churches, schools, shops, businesses, clubs and societies in the village. The invitation is for you to provide and decorate a tree to put on display in the church. Trees may be fresh or artificial and should be on stands or in a pot, and we are limiting tree sizes to 6 feet and under. As far as decoration is concerned the only restriction is your imagination. However I am aware that some find it difficult to find a theme. So here is an idea from us to you – **CHRISTMAS MUSIC** (Carols; musical notes; singers; Christmas pop songs; Christmas No One songs; the list is endless). Good luck with choosing and designing your entry!

Your tree can be brought to the church fully decorated, or you can decorate it at All Saints on the day of delivery. Power will be available for lights. The on-site electrician will provide a long cable to test the lights as you decorate. He will then connect them when all the trees are in place. **If your tree is a real one, PLEASE SUPPLY A WATER PROOF TRAY FOR IT TO STAND IN.**

Trees should be brought to the church on either:

**Thursday December 6 from 2pm till 8pm**

or

**Friday December 7 from 9am till 12 noon**

Trees must be collected on either of the following dates:

**Sunday December 9 from 6.00pm to 7.30pm**

**Monday December 10 from 10am to 12 noon**

Please invite all your friends to come and see your entry and enjoy this spectacular event. With your help – and with the help of others – this Christmas Tree Festival promises to be a huge success. To get up to date information about the Festival go to [www.allsaintswrittle.co.uk](http://www.allsaintswrittle.co.uk) . Follow us on Facebook and Twitter or give me a ring on 01245 422023.

I know I have given a date in November to send your entry to me, but I would really, really grateful to get the entry BY RETURN.

**Fill in your entry form NOW and don't miss out on the chance to be part of this the SIXTH Writtle Christmas Tree Festival.**

Finally, if you know of someone else who would like to take part, please put them in touch with me and I will send them an entry form. The more the merrier!

**John Howden**

*Chairman of the Writtle Christmas Tree Festival*