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Christmas centrepieces are perfect for decorating different surfaces at your home such as tables and sideboards. Usually small in size you don't need to worry about space they take up such as mini Christmas trees, balls, candles and flowers. With such an array of shops in town from the larger national stores such as **M&S**, **Debenhams**, **Boots** and **NEXT** to the smaller independent boutiques such as **Interphase**, **Charisma** and **Hanworth Interiors** you can be sure to find what you are looking for in the colour and style of your choice.

Often the ceiling gets forgotten but does still attract the attention. Using different ornaments and decorative items that can be hung in the ceiling such as Christmas balls, flowers whether they are artificial or natural, bells and other decorative items that you can hang in your home will allow you to make the ceiling catchy.

For outdoor decorating you can get amazing lights, not only for dressing a window or door, even along the roof lines, but also the different light figures for example Reindeer to light up in the garden. Try **QD**, **Wilko** or possibly even **TK Maxx** for a variety of options.

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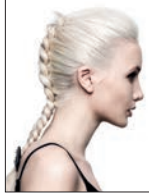
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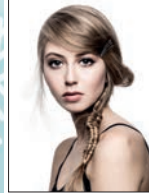
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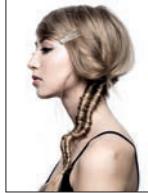
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AW16 brings a diverse mixture of fashion looks this year, from hints of 80s velvet comebacks to over exaggerated embellishment, this season is all about rebelling the conformity of trends. Unlike previous seasons, AW16 is not trend specific and breaks free from traditional themes. It's all about taking style inspiration from the catwalk and making it your own while taking inspiration from street style to create a fusion of eclectic trends. AW16 hair trends continue with this ethos and celebrate styles ranging from sleek up do's to messy 'just woken' waves. There was however, two very strong and reoccurring themes this season, the braid and hair accessories, which dominated the catwalks.

Deconstructed, half done braids as seen on the catwalks of Apu Jan, Typical Freaks, Barrus and Paul Costelloe where TONI&GUY styled the hair, are a progression from SS16's sleek and smooth styles. Braids like you've never seen before which are half done, loose and full of texture. Rebelling from the tight

and perfect braiding we saw last season, TONI&GUY's anti braid breaks the tradition of braiding techniques.

To celebrate this trend, TONI&GUY are excited to announce the launch of their nine new Fashion Fix dry styling looks, now available in salons nationwide. The nine new braid looks offer a wide variety of styles which are perfect for that all important Christmas party or just for the fun of it. Starting from £15.00, there really is no excuse but to get your fix this Christmas.

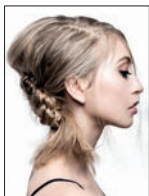
Now if braiding isn't your style, but you want to add a hint of glamour to your hair this season, the almighty hair accessory is for you. Progressing from the summery florals we saw on SS16, accessories are taking a 90's punk style turn by decorating braids and messy up dos with hints of jewelled beetles, ear cuffs and studs. TONI&GUY have created their own range that rebels from the normality of hair accessories which will give any hair-do a new lease of life.



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At this time, an artist also designed a card for Christmas which of course was too pricey for most to buy, however it quickly encouraged many children to make their own. When the halfpenny postage rate was introduced the Christmas card industry took off.

Another modern Christmas favourite is the Christmas Cracker. Inspired following a trip to Paris in 1848 where he saw sweets wrapped in paper, British confectioner, Tom Smith, came up with the idea to create a simple package filled with sweets that snapped when pulled apart. These were slowly replaced by small gifts and paper hats in the late Victorian period and are still an essential for Christmas today.

Though the Christmas feast stems way back before the Middle Ages, it was from the Victorian period that the dinner we have now for Christmas took shape. A tradition dating to Tudor times was that mince pies were traditionally made from meat, however during the 19th century there was a significant change to the dish and after gaining large popularity they became the mince pies we know today.

Typically beef and goose were the Christmas table centrepiece but roast turkey was added to the mix in Victorian Britain by the more wealthy community along with the ever popular Mulled Wine. Its perfect size for a middle class family gathering meant it was quite the dominant dish by the beginning of the 20th century. Now the whole idea of Christmas had become centred around the family, from the preparation and eating of the feast to the decorations, gift giving and the entertainment.



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can be arranged if you buy too much to carry! For mulled wine options then the likes of **M&S**, **LIDL**, **Tesco** or even **Price Check** will offer you a range of brands and pricing alike. **Arcadia** sweet shop has been in The Arcade for more than 100 years, and still stocks a huge variety of traditional sweets. Create a bespoke jar selecting all your favourites and make your own box of luxury chocolates. They also have a range of jigsaw puzzles, perfect for whiling away a winter evening. Check out our full retail directory of all the businesses in town to help you with your shopping!



“ Though the Christmas feast stems way back before the Middle Ages, it was from the Victorian period that the dinner we have now for Christmas took shape. ”



Food & Drink
DIRECTORY

BUTCHERS

DP Clarke Butchers
Church Arcade, MK40 1LQ
01234 328323

Lingers High Class Butchers
St Cuthberts Street, MK40 3JB
01234 353390

CAFÉ & COFFEE SHOP

Bedford Café & Sandwich Bar
Midland Road, MK40 1PW
01234 350906

Caffé Crema Restaurant
High Street, MK40 1RZ
01234 330518

Caffé Portioli
Allhallows, MK40 1LJ
01234 348157

Coffee House
St Pauls Square, MK40 1SL
01234 359200
www.thegreencoffeecompany.com

Coffee Republic
High Street, MK40 1NT
01234 364530
www.coffeerepublic.com

Coffee With Art
High Street, MK40 1NN
07805 217955

Costa Coffee
Silver Street, MK40 1SU
01234 346722 |
www.costa.co.uk

Costa Coffee
Midland Road, MK40 1PL
01234 350638 |
www.costa.co.uk

Elevesens
Lime Street, MK40 1LD
01234 350098

Flavour
Thurlow Street, MK40 1LR
07586 237614

Frescoes Coffee House
Mill Street, MK40 3HD
01234 325747

Gallone's
The Arcade, MK40 1NS
01234 342850
www.gallonesicecream.com

Harpur Coffee Co.
Harpur Centre, MK40 1TP
01234 358222

Howard Café
Howard Centre, MK40 1UH

Jenny's
Midland Road, MK40 1PW

La Piazza
St Pauls Square, MK40 1SQ
01234 328433

Limes
Harpur Street, MK40 1LA
01234 266912
www.limesofbedford.co.uk

Love Coffee!
Harpur Centre, MK40 1TJ
01234 328883
www.lovemycoffee.co.uk

Mill Yard Caffé
Mill Yard, Mill Street, MK40 3HD
01234 273115

Pauls Caffé
Church Arcade, MK40 1LQ
07983 984975
www.paulscafebedford.co.uk

R S Coffee Shop
Greenhill Street, MK40 1LX

River Coffee
High Street, MK40 1RN

Seventh Heaven
The Arcade, MK40 1NS
01234 589013

Star Café
Allhallows, MK40 1LJ
01234 218277

The 1844 Coffee Company
Thurlow Street, MK40 1LR
01234 954336
www.the1844coffeecompany.co.uk

BAKERIES

Baker's Best
Church Arcade, MK40 1LQ
01234 330423

Delices
Howard Street, MK40 3HS
01234 353280
www.delices.co.uk

Greggs
Harpur Centre, MK40 1TJ
01234 349880

Allhallows, MK40 1LN
01234 359709
www.greggs.co.uk

Gunns Bakery
High Street, MK40 1RZ
01234 344454
www.gunns-bakery.co.uk

La Rondine
Queen Street, MK40 2RF
01234 219443 / 400990

CONFECTIONARY

Arcadia Sweet Shop
The Arcade, MK40 1NS
01234 352322
www.arcadiasweetshop.com

Thorntons Outlet
Harpur Centre, MK40 1TP
01234 357899
www.thorntons.co.uk

CONVENIENCE STORES

Best Pol Delicatessen
Howard Street, MK40 3HS
01234 345152

Florence's
Clair Court, MK40 1NH
Kasztelan
High Street, MK40 1NT

Kubus Market Food
Greyfriars, MK40 1HP
07917 764048

Price Check
Harpur Centre, MK40 1TP
01234 211036

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AJ's Piri Piri Chicken
High Street, MK40 1NU
01234 910102

Andreas Pizzeria
The Broadway, MK40 2TH
01234 262020
www.andreastakeaway.co.uk

Burger King
Harpur Street, MK40 1LA
01234 354905
www.burgerking.com

China Inn
Howard Street, MK40 3HS
01234 212128

Chopstix Noodle Bar
High Street, MK40 1NE
07519 035767
chopstixgroup.com

Golden Dragon
The Broadway, MK40 2TJ
01234 350537

Mario's Quality Fish & Chips
High Street, MK40 1SP
01234 589572
www.mariosfishandchipsbedford.co.uk

McDonalds
High Street, MK40 1RN
01234 360544
www.mcdonalds.co.uk

Millennium Kebabs
High Street, MK40 1NN
01234 330542
www.millenniu, MK40 1NN

Papa John's
Greyfriars, MK40 1HJ
01234 270400
www.papajohns.co.uk

Peri Peri Grill & Pizza
The Broadway, MK40 2TJ
01234 330600
periperiandpizza-bedford.co.uk

Subway
Allhallows, MK40 1LN
01234 348216

Subway
Midland Road, MK40 1PW
01234 213565

High Street, MK40 1RZ
01234 267471

High Street, MK40 1NN
01234 360097
www.subway.com

The Panshi Spice
The Broadway, MK40 2TJ
01234 352276
www.panshispace.com

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The Broadway, MK40 2TH
01234 357477

Pepe's Piri Piri
Greyfriars, MK40 1HP
01234 330036
www.pepes.co.uk

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Bedford Swan Hotel
High Street, MK40 1RW
01234 346565
www.bedfordswanhotel.co.uk

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St Marys Street, MK42 0AR
01234 799988
www.parkinn.co.uk

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Mill Street, MK40 3EU
01234 365544
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The Pad
Lurke Street, MK40 3HY
01234 212161
www.thepadpresents.com

Vibe
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Auction Room Ltd
Duke Street, MK40 3HD
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Bar Citrus
Harpur Street, MK40 1LA
01234 273843

Bears & Tales
Lime Street, MK40 1RG
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Brewhouse & Kitchen
High Street, MK40 1NU
01234 342931
www.brewhouseandkitchen.com/
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High Street, MK40 1NT

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Mill Street, MK40 3EU
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co.uk

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Tavistock Street, MK40 2RD
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Saint Peter's Ale House
St Peters Street, MK40 2NN
07511 649795
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The Barley Mow
St Loyes Street, MK40 1EZ
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thebarleymowbedford.co.uk

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High Street, MK40 1RZ

The Flower Pot
Tavistock Street, MK40 2RB
01234 296732

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Ram Yard, MK40 1AL
07842 469072

The Kings Arms
St Marys Street, MK42 0AS
01234 354494
www.thekingsarmsbedford.co.uk

The Lane
Castle Lane, MK40 3UK
01234 325640

The Mill Hotel
Mill Street, MK40 3HD
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www.themillhotelbedford.co.uk

The Rose
High Street, MK40 1RY
01234 353749
www.therosebedford.co.uk

The Ship
St Cuthberts Street, MK40 3JB
01234 267126
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The Snug
High Street, MK40 1NN
01234 340761
thesnugbar.co.uk

The Standard
High Street, MK40 1SP
01234 269285
www.thestandardbedford.co.uk

Wodka Live
St Pauls Square, MK40 1SL
www.wodkalivebar.com

Yates
High Street, MK40 1RZ
01234 330901
www.weareyates.com

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Amici Italian Restaurant
St Peters Street, MK40 2PN
01234 340734
www.amici-restaurant.co.uk

Baja
Castle Lane, MK40 3NT
01234 325707
www.bajabedford.co.uk

Bengal Brasserie
The Broadway, MK40 2TJ
01234 341444
www.bengalbrasseriebedford.co.uk

Chef Beijing
Castle Lane, MK40 3NU
01234 273883
www.chefbeijing.co.uk

Choudhury Tandoori Restaurant
&Take Away
The Broadway, MK40 2TH
01234 356162
choudhuryrestaurant.co.uk

Deshi Spice
Tavistock Street, MK40 2RD
01234 327755/ 328237
www.deshi-spice.com

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Harko Oriental Buffet Restaurant
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01234 330888

Herd
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01234 300193
www.herd.cool

Hoku Hoku
Peel Street, MK40 2HX
01234 217031
www.hokuhoku.co.uk

Indiya
The Broadway, MK40 2TE
01234 327493
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La Fontana
Ram Yard, MK40 1AL
01234 352577
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Magna Tandoori
Tavistock Street, MK40 2RD
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Mamma Mia
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High Street, MK40 1NN
01234 480138
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Mimo's Steak & Grill
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01234 330555
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01234 273298
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New Bombay
Harpur Street, MK40 2SR
01234 218218
www.newbombay.co.uk

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Pizza Express
St Peters Street, MK40 2PN
01234 271124
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Poppins Restaurant
High Street, MK40 1NN
01234 350474
www.poppinsrestaurants.co.uk

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01234 211200

Rice
St Cuthberts Street, MK40 3JG
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www.ricethairestaurant.co.uk

Riobello Italian Ristorante
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Shish
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Spaghetti John's
Castle Lane, MK40 3NT
01234 327323
spaghettijohns.co.uk

Spice Shop
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01234 348924
spiceshoprestaurant.co.uk

Thai Lagoon
The Broadway, MK40 2TH
01234 363300
www.thai-lagoon.co.uk

Thali & Tandoor
Castle Lane, Castle Quay,
MK40 3US
01234 341414
www.thaliandtandoor.co.uk

That's Amore
Dame Alice Street, MK40 1BP
01234 348365
www.thats-amore.org.uk

The Grand Restaurant
Tavistock Street, MK40 2RB
01234 359566
www.grandrestaurant.co.uk

The Higgins Pantry
Castle Lane, MK40 3XD
01234 276340
www.thehigginspantry.co.uk

SANDWICH SHOP

Choice Rolls
Bedford Ltd Lime Street, MK40 1LD
01234 212118

IZ Café
Allhallows, MK40 1LJ
07733 322551

Nicholls Delicatessen
Harpur Centre, MK40 1TJ
01234 346870

Roosters Sandwich Bar
St Cuthberts Street, MK40 3JG
01234 405140
www.roostersbedford.co.uk

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01234 341006
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The Arcade, MK40 1NS
01234 270022

SPECIALITY STORE

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Fusion 0
Howard Centre, MK40 1UH
01234 330390

Pharoah's Land
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07834 459575

Shenlong Chinese Medical Centre
Church Arcade, MK40 1LQ
01234 268667
www.superbalance.co.uk

SUPERMARKET

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Greenhill Street, MK40 1LX
01234 356249

Midland Road, MK40 1PN
01234 354338
www.iceland.co.uk

Ideal Supermarket
Greyfriars, MK40 1HP
LIDL Supermarket
St Peters Street, MK40 2PN
0870 4441234/
01234 271100
www.lidl.co.uk

Spend & Save
Tavistock Street, MK40 2RB
01234 262207

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www.tesco.com

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www.tesco.com

Wilko
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Sunday 11th 10am – 4pm
Thursday 15th 9am – 8pm
Saturday 17th 8am – 6pm
Sunday 18th 10am – 4pm
Monday 19th 8am – 8pm
Tuesday 20th 8am – 8pm
Wednesday 21st 8am – 8pm

Thursday 22nd 8am – 8pm
Friday 23rd 8am – 8pm
Christmas Eve 8am – 5pm
Christmas Day Closed
Boxing Day 8am – 6pm
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Wednesday 28th 9am – 5.30pm
Thursday 29th 9am – 5.30pm
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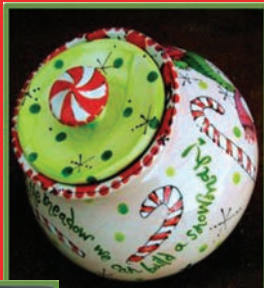


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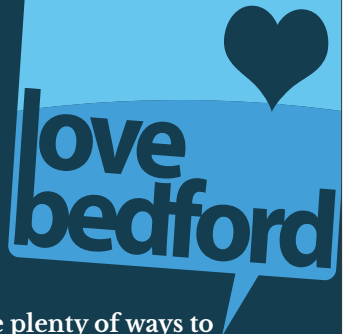
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Bedford Business Improvement District (BID) funded by town centre businesses.

There are 300 independent businesses in Bedford town centre, some of which have been in the town for over a century and others representing the entrepreneurial spirit of Bedford people, making up the heart and soul of our historic town. Look no further for unique gifts and festive treats that you won't find anywhere else!



Filled with a wealth of alluring gifts for all ages, Charisma also offers beautiful designer scarves and accessories to fit any mood and lift the spirits, aromatherapy oils and bath blasters. And visit épanoui: alongside their beautiful handmade jewellery they also sell a collection of gorgeous things for you and your home, plus wonderful bath and body products. Explore the exhibitions by local artists at the Art Centre & Gallery for the masterpiece that catches your eye, as well as unusual cards and gift wrap, or top up on art supplies to create your own.

Designer clothing has its place in Bedford, and not just in the larger stores. Seek out Planet, Maysons, Walberrys and Mellow for brands such as Superdry, Ted Baker, Desigual and Gabor.

Simi & Lola in Church Arcade offers a treasure trove of beautiful clothing and accessories, and head to Michael Bailey for high end designer ladies clothes and accessories for glamorous nights out. For that finishing touch: John Medhurst sources and commissions beautiful jewellery including Hot Diamonds.

The Gentleman's Emporium, Harrison and Simmonds has prided itself on stocking fine quality gifts and curios since 1928.





Adrian Bullers create natural and fresh photography in a totally original style. Treat friends or loved ones to a photography experience gift voucher this Christmas, with a sitting and prints of their pictures, and don't forget the pets!

Adults and children can spend an afternoon creating personalised pottery at The Kiln, where hot drinks and a mouth-watering selection of cakes are also on offer.

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This time of year is particularly magical at Hanworth Interiors – take home beautiful handmade traditional glass Christmas decorations as well as novelty Gisela Graham decorations. Year round they provide beautiful pieces for the home and all sorts of accessories and quirky one offs.

A must stop shop for anyone who enjoys cooking is Kitchenalia, filled to bursting with the very best cookware, bakeware, kitchen tools, gadgets and gifts.



A personal touch



Following success in recent years, The ReUse Centre are running their "Wrap Up Bedford" Winter Clothing campaign. From October to January you are invited to donate your surplus winter clothing so that even more families can benefit from the kindness of the people of Bedford.

Frescoes Coffee House and The 1844 Coffee Company are both running suspended coffee schemes, enabling paying customers to buy a second cup of coffee which can then be given to someone who can't buy their own.



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The Arcade is located in the heart of the town, off the main High Street and conveniently positioned for town centre parking. Once described as a 'Crystal Palace', the Arcade is full of character and charm offering a unique shopping experience away from the hustle and bustle of the high street. It boasts a wide selection of independent shops, selling designer fashion labels, premium footwear, bespoke jewellery, chic home furnishings, fresh flowers and balloons, healthy organic food and supplements and handmade sweets and chocolates.



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Sunday Dec 4th **10.15am Christingle Service.**

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Sunday Dec 18th **Parish Communion with St Peters Lights, 10.15am**

(Sunday School) Nativity presentation.

Tuesday Dec 20th **Carol Service, 7pm**

(followed by mince pies and mulled wine in the Chapter House)

Saturday Dec 24th **Crib Service, 4pm**

Children are welcome to come and take part in the service (please arrive a little early if you would like to dress up).

Saturday Dec 24th **Midnight Communion, 11.30pm**

Christmas Day **Parish Communion, 10.15am**

ST PAULS CHURCH

Sunday November 27

Advent Carol Service by Candlelight, 5.30pm.
No ticket required but you are advised to arrive in good time.

Wednesday 30 Nov thru to Sunday 4 Dec

Christmas Tree Festival: Stars at Christmas

10-5 (Sunday 2-5). Admission £2.50, children free. Refreshments served.

60 trees decorated by local charities and businesses. Children's & community choirs daily.

To be opened by the Lord Lieutenant and the High Sheriff.

Friday 2 December **Christmas Concert: 'Further Beyond Tango', 7.30 pm**

South American flavour led by Adrian Varela and his Quintet. Adrian Varela is first violinist of the London Philharmonia. Tickets at www.bedfordhospitalcharity.org.uk/southamericaconcert

Details for booking trees to decorate and concert tickets 01234 340163 admin@stpaulschurchbedford.org.uk or at <http://www.bedfordhospitalcharity.org.uk/treefest>

Friday 9 December

Mother's Union Deanery Christmas Service, 2.30pm

Saturday 17 December

Traditional Nine Lessons & Carols by candlelight, 4.00pm

No ticket required but you are advised to arrive in good time.

Christmas Eve

Crib Service and Christingle at 4.00pm

Carols round the tree at 10.20pm

Midnight Mass at 11.00pm

Christmas Day

Family Service at 10.15am

For further information on Christmas services at St Paul's please check the website at www.stpaulschurchbedford.org.uk and our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/stpaulschurchbedford2016. Alternatively please call the church office on 01234 340163.

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Thursday 24th November Meet Santa's Reindeer!

From 2pm outside Boots, the beautiful Cairngorm Reindeer will be visiting Bedford once again.

Come to town on this afternoon and enjoy the Christmas festivities, prior to the light switch on at the embankment and of course not forgetting the start of late night shopping!

Boogie Storm 4pm-6pm

Boogie Storm hit our screens last year on Britain's Got Talent with their unique dance act as Storm troopers! They received Simon Cowell's golden buzzer and were placed 3rd in the whole competition.

NOW they are coming to Bedford for a special performance. There will be 2 opportunities to see them perform on stage at 4pm or 6pm on Harpur Square. A queuing system will be in place if you would like to meet them in person for a quick photo opportunity.

Christmas Lights Switch On 7pm

Don't be put off by a cold November night... wrap up warm, bring the family along and be amazed at the dazzling celebration of seasonal fire and light set to festive music. A fantastic beginning to Bedford's Christmas events!

For more information phone: 01234 718044 or email events@bedford.gov.uk

Thursday 24th November Body Spirit & Mind Christmas Fayre

Bedford Guild House, 56 Harpur Street, Bedford, MK40 2QT

An evening of relaxation and festive shopping. £3 entry includes complimentary glass of wine or juice.

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Enjoy a hot drink and a mince pie or a glass of mulled wine and a festive treat!

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**Wednesday 30 Nov –
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Christmas Tree Festival:
Stars at Christmas**

St Paul's church, Bedford
10-5 (Sunday 2-5) Admission £2.50, children
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60 trees decorated by local charities,
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Children's & community choirs daily.
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**Saturday 10th December
2016 Bedford Christmas Wingding**

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**Thursday 15th December
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**Saturday 17th December
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**18th December
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**Sunday 18th December
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www.quarrytheatre.org.uk

Wed 21st – Fri 23rd December The Tales of Beedle The Bard

Quarry Theatre, 26 St Peters Street,
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7.30pm (and 2.30pm on 23rd December)

Join us this Christmas when our family and children's show will be an adaptation of some of J.K. Rowling's "uniquely magical" stories. Find out the origins of the Harry Potter's cloak of invisibility, discover why there's no point trying to outsmart Death and learn the secret ingredients to success as we explore three of these classic tales. The Fountain of Fair Fortune is particularly appropriate for the festive season as it was the subject of "the sole attempt to introduce a Christmas pantomime to Hogwarts' festive celebrations!"

So don't forget your sorting hat, your stripy tights and your wizards' cloaks; give your owls* a good brush and get your broomsticks ready to fly you down to The Quarry Theatre this Christmas for a special festive family treat. Muggles welcome as well as wizards and witches! There will be some special prizes for people who come in fancy dress.

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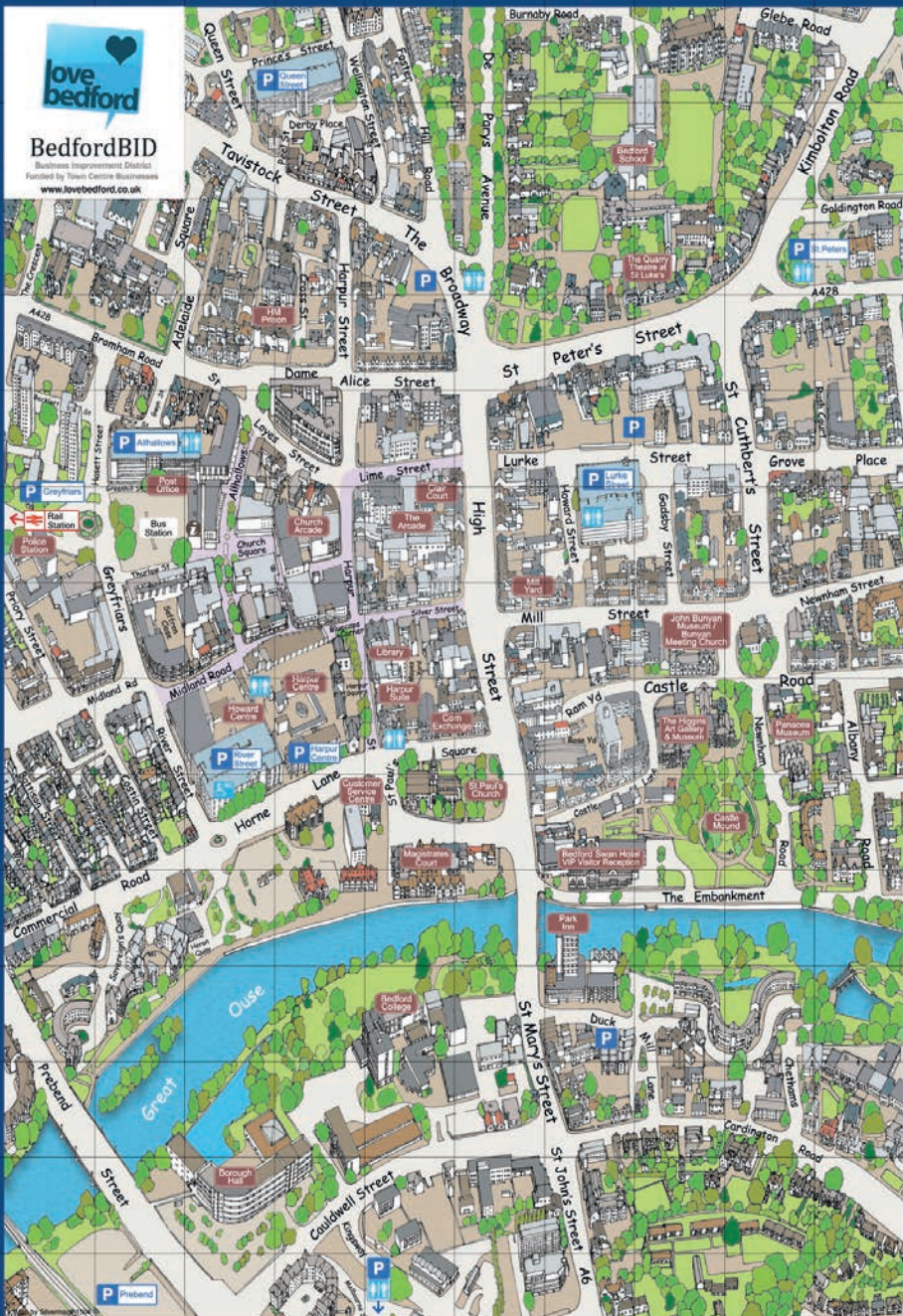
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