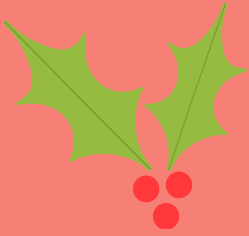


FESTIVE VOLUNTEERING GUIDE



VIRTUAL AND PHYSICAL
VOLUNTEERING
OPPORTUNITIES FOR MAKING
A DIFFERENCE OVER THE
HOLIDAYS



VIRTUAL VOLUNTEERING

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE FROM THE COMFORT OF
YOUR OWN KEYBOARD**

PENGUIN COUNTING

While away a few minutes/hours counting penguins to help monitor their population numbers and their environments.

<https://www.zooniverse.org/projects/penguintom79/penguin-watch>

BELUGA WHALE WATCH

Help identify the Beluga whales of Canada! The Beluga Bits team have been using non-invasive photography to capture the behaviour of the local whale population.

<https://www.zooniverse.org/projects/stephenresearch/beluga-bits>

STAR CLASSIFICATION

Cast your eye over star data to help identify weird and wonderful stars in the SuperWASP search for planets.

<https://www.zooniverse.org/projects/ajnorton/superwasp-variable-stars>

INSPIRE PROJECT

Discovery volunteers have been creating a range of resources to help children and young people with their wellbeing. We would love to see this project reaching as many children and young people as possible.

Share this link with anyone you think might benefit -

www.discoverysvs.org/inspire

LOCAL VOLUNTEERING

**GET INVOLVED WITH OTHER LOCAL
ORGANISATIONS**

RESOLVEN FOODBANK

A local foodbank has opportunities over the Christmas break for people to volunteer on Thursdays & Fridays. Tasks include wrapping gifts, making food parcels and keeping the foodbank clean. For more info contact [Facebook.com/resolvenfoodbank](https://www.facebook.com/resolvenfoodbank)

SWANSEA COUNCIL - HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

Swansea Council is promoting 'HMD Together', and asking citizens to share how they mark HMD in meaningful ways with other people – even if you can't gather together in larger groups. Send them your video or copy of your artwork to Special.events@swansea.gov.uk by Thursday 7 January and they will share your tribute as part of their 'HMD Together' online event.

TY-FFOREST COMMUNITY HUB

Ty-Fforest Hub are looking for Xmas volunteers on Saturday 19th Dec from 11:30 am to help with a covid safe outdoor Santa visit. If you would like to get involved contact shanistephens@gmail.com

5-MINUTE LITTERPICK

You don't need to go far to make a difference. Next time you're out and about, take 5 minutes to collect bits of rubbish from your local area, whether it's a park or your front garden. NB: Wear gloves and be careful with sharp or pointy bits of rubbish. #Discovery5MinuteLitterPick

CHRISTMAS DAY

St Thomas Swansea



Christmas Present Appeal

Could you buy an extra gift for someone else this Christmas?

Christmas is a time of great joy but for some people it is marked with grief, worry loneliness or isolation. We want to make sure that everyone has something nice to open on Christmas Day!

We are looking for donations of new gifts for children and adults of all ages.

These can be brought to the Parish Hall, St Thomas.

For more info call us on 01792 455671

St Thomas Swansea

Don't be alone on Christmas Day

Free Christmas Dinner

12-2.30pm Christmas Day
At St Thomas Church, Swansea

to book call us at the parish office on 01792 455671

St Thomas Church, Swansea

For the last 5 years St Thomas have provided a nice hot Christmas dinner on Christmas Day for those who would be alone or be struggling otherwise and they have had many adults and children join them. This year they will be doing it all over again! If any Discovery volunteer would like to join them for dinner, volunteer or help in any way just drop them a message or contact the office on 01792 455671 as they would be very welcome. As part of their Christmas activities St Thomas also run a Christmas present appeal for families who are referred to them with gifts for Christmas. If you would like to donate a gift (these have to be new items for insurance purposes) then please send gifts here: St Thomas Church, Lewis Street, St Thomas, Swansea, SA1 8BP or donate some money here: <https://sts.churchsuite.com/donate/fund/edjlydq> The church and the Out Reach fund support the whole community regardless of whether they are part of the church or not and there are no expectations of signing up!