

**Advent and Gift Sunday
Sunday 1st December 2024**

READINGS

Luke 21: 25-36 **P82**

Jeremiah 33: 14-16 **P749**



Registered Charity No. 1193766

WE ARE UNITING IN DECEMBER.

All Sunday morning sung communions are together. Do check which church.

PARISH DIARY		
Saturday 30th	10.00am	Coffee and Chat. Meeting Room. H C Network.
Sunday 1st Dec Gift Sunday	10.00am	United Communion Service. All Saints. We will be collecting gift vouchers in units of £5 or £10 for the Women's Refuge.
	1.30pm	Carols at Harnham Croft.
Monday 2nd	8.00pm	Compline – live streamed on You Tube. Worship Committee 7pm. Vicarage.
Tuesday 3rd	9.00am	Morning Prayer. All Saints.
	8.00pm	Advent talk followed by Compline. St George's. 'Fear Not. Fear the Lord.' What does fear of the Lord mean? Is it right that we do or don't? This will be live streamed on You Tube.
Wednesday 4th	9.00am	Morning Prayer. St George's.
	10.00am	Coffee and Chat. Meeting Room. H C Network.
	11.00am	Carols at Brympton. Please contact Becky if you can come and sing.
	8.00pm	Compline – live streamed on You Tube.
	7.30pm	FWT – "History of Carols." Parish Hall.
Thursday 5th	10.30am	Carols at Willowcroft. Please contact Becky if you can come and sing.
	8.00pm	Compline – live streamed on You Tube.
Friday 6th	8.00pm	Compline – live streamed on You Tube.
Saturday 7th	10.00am	Practice session for Beer and Carols. All Saints.
	8.00pm	Compline – live streamed on You Tube.
Sunday 8th	8.00am	Said Communion. All Saints.
	10.00am	United Communion Service. St George's.
	3.00pm	Messy Church. Parish Hall.

Please PRAY for:

- peace between Russia and Ukraine and Palestine and Israel - those who have died, those who mourn, those who seek refuge. Wisdom for all who lead.
- for all affected by flooding in the UK.
- World Aids Day.
- the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.
- the people and parishes of the Devizes Deanery.
- the Episcopal Churches in South Sudan and Sudan especially The Rt Revd Hassan Osman Assistant Bishop of Kadugli & Nuba Mountains in Sudan.
- the many arts and crafts groups that meet in Harnham.
- work towards sustainable energy.
- those who live in Ancient Way, Rowbarrow Close and Rowbarrow Mews.
- those who are sick, and all who care for them, especially Kath G, Simon W, Pam J, Anne B, Margaret R, Sharon S, Lizzie, Princess of Wales and King Charles III.
- those who have died especially Margaret Gilbert and Clive Russell.

Salisbury District Scouts - Christmas Post - Last few days to mail your cards!!

The scouts are once again delivering Christmas Cards in the local area. Stamps are now available from both churches and Saturday Coffee and Chat. 40p a stamp. The last day for posting in the special collection boxes is **Wednesday 4th December.** (Do not post in Royal Mail boxes). Post boxes can be found in St George's and All Saints and other locations. For further information go to www.sswscouts.org.uk/christmas-post

Carol Singing around the Parish. START YOUR CAROLING NOW!!

There will be a carol service at Harnham Croft on Sunday 1st December at 1.30pm. If anyone would like to come and sing please let Revd Mike know. We need ideally around 4 or 5 people.

We are also looking for singers for Brympton 11.00am on Wednesday 4th December and Willowcroft 10.30am on Thursday 5th December.

Extra Advent and Christmas 'services'

During Advent we will be **live-streaming Compline on YouTube** each evening at 8.00pm, Monday to Saturday. Please feel free to join us on the Harnham Parish YouTube channel at 8.00pm, or watch the recording at a later time.

Tuesday Advent Talks 'Do Not Be Afraid' 8.00pm

St George's. 2nd 9th 16th December. Talks followed by Compline night prayer.

THURSDAY 12th December, Beer and Carols 7.00 – 9.00pm

Community Carol singing. Come and sing, donate to our charities and buy a drink or two! The Old Mill Pub and Hotel. Harnham. Singers to lead the carols are especially welcome and if you would like to be part of a small group to that end we will be meeting at All Saints on Saturday 7th December at 10am for a short 'practice'. Do come along if you can.

Sunday 22nd December, Carol Service 6.30pm

Christmas Carol Service with guest choir. All Saints' Church.

Tuesday 24th December, Christmas Eve

4.00pm Blue Christmas. Service of light for those who find Christmas difficult with a chance to hang lights in remembrance of a loved one or situation. St George's Church.

4.00pm All Age Nativity service. All Saints Church.

11.00pm Midnight Mass. St George's Church. Note the time!

Wednesday 25th December, Christmas Day

9.30am St George's - Christmas Communion with carols and children's talk.

11.00am All Saints - Christmas Communion with carols and children's talk.

DO YOU NEED CHRISTMAS CARDS?

Grateful thanks to all the kind people who have given us cards to recycle and have already bought cards at our Card Sales. We were delighted to make nearly £600 profit from the Great Card Sale for the Sudan Medical Link. If you need more cards do please ring us on 01722 501200. Come and choose cards from us or we will gladly bring to your door.

David & Katharine Callard.

Angel Tree

Volunteers wanted to wrap Christmas presents for Angel Tree, a charity that sends present to prisoners' children. We will be doing this in the Meeting Room on Friday 6th December between 2.00 – 4.00pm. All welcome, bring your own scissors. Just turn up or email: lizgoater@hotmail.com. Angel Tree, in partnership with the charity Prison Fellowship supports prisoners by funding Christmas presents that are sent to their child or children. This is a charity supported by the Mothers Union whose members fundraise, purchase, wrap and post the presents.

Revd Mike's last Sunday will be December 22nd. He will be leading a special 10.00am United Communion Service at St George's. If you would like to make a small donation as a farewell present please donate in an envelope marked 'Mike's leaving donation' through the parish office or in an envelope clearly marked and left with one of the wardens.

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