

DIARY DATES

Morning Prayer, Monday – Thursday 9.15am

Wednesday 7th December – 11am Eucharist

Thursday 8th – 8:30pm Compline by Candlelight

Sunday 11th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

8am Eucharist (said)

10am Eucharist (sung) & Baptisms.

Readings: Isaiah 11.1-10, Romans 15.4-13; Matthew 3.1-12:

On duty 11th December 2016

Creche: Jackie.

Childrens Church: Tina.

Welcomers: Pat, June.

Sidesmen: Bonnie, Mike W.

Readers: Mark.

Servers: Derek, Tim, Sean

Intercessor: Julian

Lay Administration: Mike F, Colin, Zara, Kathy P

Coffee: Liz H, David.

NOTICES.

To All: A very sincere thank you from Hazel for the card and cheque you gave me on Sunday.

Carol Taylor would like to thank all her friends at St. Mary's for all their practical and emotional support over the past six months. This is very much appreciated.

Christmas Fayre. Thank you to all, a wonderful total in excess of £1700 was raised.

Donations for Christmas Flowers, would be very welcome, please see Hazel or Margaret Meldrum.

Lunchtime Concert 5th December 12.30pm

Chauncy School Musicians. Light lunches from 12 noon.

Coffee Morning Thursday 8th December 10:30am

In aid of the Children's Society: St. Mary's Hall

Hertfordshire Concert Band Saturday 10th December

Looking Forward to Christmas 11th December 6.30pm

If you would like to have dinner as part of this evening event of reflection, readings and music please sign the list at the back of the church. Contact Roger 07736673899 if you would like transport.

Christmas Shopping & Evensong Trip to St. Albans

Wednesday 14th December.

Leaving after the 11am Service. Come along to the Christmas Market, Wednesday Market and meet at 5.30pm for Evensong in St. Alban's Abbey. Please sign list if you would like transport or contact Ysmena.

Community Lunch 19th December 12.30pm.

Please sign list at back of church if you are attending.

Christmas Services Cards. The PCC would like to distribute cards with details of Christmas Services to every household in the Parish (4,200). If you can manage a road 60-100 houses, Pat Collin would be grateful to hear from you 01920 464943.

Ware Christmas Together. Don't be alone on Christmas Day.

Forms in Church; white for guests, pink for helpers who are especially required for transport. Contact Zara 01920420642.

Ecumenical Advent Course beginning 8th November 10-11am

at 12 Presdales Drive. Theme is "Living Jesus. Each of 6 sessions stands alone. Contact Zara & Patrick 01920 420642.

January Dates & Information.

Pantomime 14th January 2pm Hertford Theatre Cinderella.

Tickets £12, £10 OAP/children. Please let Carol Whitbourn 07887586141 know if you wish to reserve tickets.

Church of St Mary the Virgin, Ware

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WELCOME

Sunday 4th December 2nd Sunday of Advent

Welcome to St. Mary's this morning. If you are visiting or here for the first time we hope you feel at home, and please do make yourself known. Please make use of the creche corner if this is helpful. When we come to share communion please join everyone in coming forward to receive the bread and wine if that is what you usually do, or come for a prayer of blessing. Refreshments are served in the hall after the service.

Today's Services.

8am Eucharist (said)

10am Eucharist (sung)

Readings at 8am and 10am

Isaiah 2.1-5;

Romans 13.11-14;

Matthew 24.36-44

For your prayers.

The World Church: Karbataka (North) Ravikumar Niranjana.

The Diocese: St. John, Watford.

Living God's Love: Making new disciples: For Christian Unions and other groups in schools.

The Deanery: Little Amwell.

The Parish: Public amenities – Libraries/Swimming Pools/Parks/Museums.

All who live in: Greyfriars and Hamels Drive.

Please remember those on our prayer board and for those that mourn, especially the family and friends of **Juanita Butt**. together with the souls of those who anniversaries fall at this time, **Betty Dockley, Robert Blows, John Hunt, John Salmons and Christopher Edwards**.

All are welcome to add a name to the Prayer Board by the Lady Chapel. To add a name to the Remembrance List of those who have died, please contact the Parish Office.

On duty today

Creche: Mary M

Children's Church: Jackie

Welcomers: Shelia, Bob B

Sidesmen: Ann S, Georgina.

Readers: Roger, Anne C.

Servers: Tim, Pete, Sean.

Intercessor: Mat. Wilson.

Lay Administration: David H, Derek, Ann S, Dale

Coffee: Kay P, Julian, Mary B

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