

**SUNDAY 2 DECEMBER 2018  
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Welcome to everyone**

If you are new to Holy Trinity, please introduce yourself to a member of the Welcome Team at the back of the Church.

**Todays Readings:**

Reading: Jeremiah 33. 14-16 *pg 671*  
Gospel: Luke 21. 25-36 *pg 79*

**Holy Communion .....8.00am**

Deacon: Jacqui Salmon  
President: Revd Kay Dyer

**Breakfast in the Parish Centre.....9.30am**

**Parish Eucharist .....10.00am**

Reader: Tony Butler  
President: Revd Steve Jarvis  
Preacher: Revd Kay Dyer

*Prayer ministry available in St Peter's Chapel during Communion.*

**Followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre**

**TrinityCentre@10 .....10.00am**

President: Revd Patrick Taylor

**Advent Carol Service .....6.00pm**

Please see special order of service  
Officiant: Revd Steve Jarvis

**Mulled wine and mince pies served at the back of the church afterwards.**

**Please note, on 9<sup>th</sup> December there is no 6pm service. Christingle at 4pm instead**

**Lives changed through God's love**

**St Helen's, Clifford Chambers**

**Advent Family Worship .....9.30am**

Hymns: 54 (A&M), 491 (SofF), 456 (A&M), 269 (A&M)  
Reading: Jeremiah 33. 14-16  
Gospel: Luke 21. 25-36  
Officiant: Revd Jenny Rowland

**All Saints', Luddington**

**Holy Communion BCP.....9.30am**

Reader:  
Reading: Jeremiah 33. 14-16  
Gospel: Luke 21. 25-36  
President & Preacher: Revd John Hall-Matthews

**PRAYERS**

**INTERNET & VOTIVE CANDLE STAND PRAYER**

**REQUESTS are offered at Morning Prayer each day.**

**WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR**

Gary Evans	Lawrence Salmon	Maurice Woodfield
Dorothy Lovett	Joan Rogers	John Taylor
Pat Sutton	Lucca Martucci	Matt Collins
Anne Rainsberry		

**OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:**

David Wilson      Andrew Rainsberry      Avril Salmon

Names will be kept on the prayer list for three weeks.  
Please inform the Parish Office of a long-term illness.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED**

Margaret Morris      Brian Webb  
David Wilkinson

**YEARS MIND**

Molly Whateley – 6<sup>th</sup>

**THE PARISH PRAYER DIARY** Please use this in your private prayers. Copies are available at the back of church.

**COLLECT** Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

**POST COMMUNION** O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**THIS WEEK**

**CHURCH IS OPEN MONDAY - SATURDAY 9am – 4pm**

**Monday 3**

9.15 am Morning Prayer  
1.30 pm-3.30 pm Lay Chaplain available  
2.30 pm King James Bible Reading  
4.15 pm Evening Prayer

**Tuesday 4**

9.15 am Morning Prayer  
10.00 am Holy Communion  
2.30 pm School Rehearsal  
4.15 pm Evening Prayer  
7.00 pm Contemplative Prayer Group  
7.30 pm Bell-ringing Practice

**Wednesday 5**

9.15 am Morning Prayer  
10.00 am Holy Communion at the Guild Chapel  
10.00-12.00 pm Lay Chaplain available  
1.00 pm Soundbites – "Festive Fun"  
1.30pm-3.30 pm Lay Chaplain available  
2.30 pm King James Bible Reading  
4.15 pm Evening Prayer

**Thursday 6**

9.15 am Morning Prayer  
11.30 am Funeral of Brian Webb  
1.30 pm-3.30 pm Lay Chaplain available  
2.30 pm King James Bible Reading  
4.15 pm Evening Prayer

**Friday 7**

9.15 am Morning Prayer  
10.30 am Welcombe School Christmas Service  
2.30 pm King James Bible Reading  
3.30 pm Evening Prayer  
6.00 pm Choir Practice  
8.40 pm Compline

**Saturday 8**

2.30 pm King James Bible Reading  
7.30pm Amicantus Choir Concert

**SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY  
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
9th December 2018**

Holy Communion .....	8.00 am
Parish Eucharist .....	10.00 am
TrinityCentre@10 .....	10.00 am
Christenings .....	12.00 pm
Christingle .....	4.00 pm
Holy Communion at St Helen's.....	9.15 am
Holy Communion at All Saints'.....	9.15 am

## NOTICES

### DURING THE SERVICE

**RECEIVING COMMUNION** Baptised, communicant members of any Church are welcome to receive the bread and wine. Otherwise please come forward for a blessing, bringing the service leaflet with you.

**YOUR OFFERING** A collection for the work of the church is usually taken during one of the hymns. If you are a UK taxpayer, please use the Gift Aid envelopes available in the boxes in the pews and chairs. Please complete in full with title, first and last name, etc. If you wish to join our regular giving scheme with either weekly envelopes or a standing order, please contact Chris Kennedy direct on 01789 299785 or through the Parish Office.

#### DURING THE PARISH EUCHARIST:

- Prayer Ministry is offered during Communion in Beckett Chapel.
- A play space is available at the back of church for pre-school children accompanied by their parents.

**HEARING LOOP SYSTEM & LARGE PRINT SERVICE BOOKS** are available. Please ask one of the sidespeople.

**OUR PARISH VISION PRAYER** Ever living God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we pray for your blessing on this church and parish. Guide and inspire us to play our part in worshipping you, making disciples of Jesus Christ and transforming communities, so that we may see lives changed through your love. Amen

### MINISTRY TEAM

Patrick Taylor, Vicar  
Steve Jarvis, Associate Vicar,  
Kay Dyer, Associate Priest,  
Phil Harper, Children and Families Minister,  
Assistant Ministers (Honorary): Neville Beamer,  
Andrew Dow,  
John Hall-Matthews, Diane Patterson,  
Jenny Rowland, Brian Russell,  
Graham Wilcox.

#### Parish Office

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**ADVENT CAROL SERVICE** today at 6.00 pm. Mince pies and mulled wine will be served at the back of church after the service.

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP** Next meeting is on Tuesday 4 December. We meet in the lounge at the Parish Centre at 7.30pm. All welcome.

There will be a **TRAIDCRAFT** stall at coffee after the 10 am service next Sunday, 9th December. Please come prepared to buy Christmas goodies and stocking fillers to support fair incomes for small traders in the Third World.

**CHRISTINGLE** We will be making the Christingles on Saturday 8 December at 10.00 am in the Parish Centre. If you are able to come along and help with making the Christingles it would be greatly appreciated. The service is on Sunday 9th December at 4pm in Church, please spread the word about this very special service.

**CHRISTINGLE POSTERS** At the back of church there are posters about our Christingle service. If you are able, please take a poster or two to put up in shops or places around Stratford. People did this last year and it really helped to let people know about the service.

**COOKS AND MUSCLES NEEDED** It's Holy Trinity's turn to host the party for **CONTACT THE ELDERLY CHRISTMAS TEA**. (run through Stratford Churches Together). On Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm. Needed: Muscles for furniture and decorations, table decorations, food, waiters (any age), instrumentalist to lead carols. I have the list. Phone me or put offer in via parish office. Sarah Gretton, 205820.

**SOUNDBITES** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at Holy Trinity. "Festive Fun!" Recital at 1.00pm, refreshments from 12.30pm. Admission free.

**ALTERNATIVITY** - a feast for Christmas, Saturday 6th December at 6.0pm Guild Chapel, Chapel Street, Stratford **The Tailor of Gloucester** to be read by Sunny Ormonde. To be performed by the choir of Warwick Preparatory School with accompaniment by hand-bells. Mulled wine and a sales table, this is a **Hosking Houses Trust** promotion

**MENCAP PLACEMENT VOLUNTEER NEEDED** We have been asked if we can provide a placement for one of their clients who would like to spend 1-2 hrs a week in the church as a volunteer. We hope that a member of Holy Trinity would be prepared to support/befriend this person. Anyone interested please contact Andy in the Parish Office.

**PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES** - Due to our current financial constraints the staffing in the Parish Office has been reduced. As a result the Parish Office will again be closed on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Telephone messages will be taken on the answerphone and we will respond to phone messages and e-mails as quickly as we can. If you usually come to collect Sunday materials on a Friday these will be available as usual.

**THREE NEW Bishop's Certificate in Discipleship and Mission MODULES** begin in January. For further details please look at the flyer at the back of church or [www.dioceseofcoventry.org/BCDM/modules](http://www.dioceseofcoventry.org/BCDM/modules)

I am Trish Burberry and moved with my family from Hampshire to Warwickshire in 2017. My ministry is **MUSIC ON THE STREETS**. I play keys and am in need of a singer. I play Welsh revival and some of the Nations favourite hymns I have been doing this since 2009 on the streets of Winchester. The aim is to do the same in Stratford. If anyone is interested in singing while I play please contact me by phone or email via the Parish Office for more details.

**ECUMENICAL SUPPER** - This is being hosted by Holy Trinity Church on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Venue – The Methodist Church, Old Town, Stratford-upon-Avon. Reception 7:00pm, Dinner 7:15pm. Tickets available from Kate and Martin Corfield, Tel: 01789 294683. Speaker: The Reverend Canon Dr David Stone, Precentor & Sub-Dean of Coventry Cathedral. 'Giving Thanks and Sharing Hope'- Reflections on the Centenary of the Diocese of Coventry. Tickets £6.

**STRATFORD FOOD BANK** is grateful for the contributions from Holy Trinity. Items needed at the moment include: Christmas treats: mince pies, crackers, yule logs, chocolates, biscuits, crackers, crisps, nuts. Also, tinned ham & fruit, UHT juices, sweet treats, peanut butter, coffee, dried milk, razors, shaving foam, shampoo, conditioner, washing up liquid, washing powder. For more information visit the Foodbank's website: [stratforduponavon.foodbank.org.uk](http://stratforduponavon.foodbank.org.uk)