

**SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER 2018
SECOND 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: Malachi 3. 1-4 *pg 812*
Gospel: Luke 3. 1-6 *pg 55*

Holy Communion8.00am

Deacon: James Sorel-Cameron
President: Revd Patrick Taylor

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

Parish Eucharist10.00am

Reader: Tony Butler
President: Revd Jenny Rowland
Preacher: Revd Graham Wilcox
Trinity Voices: *Poston Dormouse carol*
Stannard On the road to Bethlehem
Choir motet: *Wood O Thou the central orb*
Prayer ministry available in St Peter's Chapel during Communion.

Followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre

TrinityCentre@1010.00am

Leader: Phil Harper

Christenings12.00pm

Officiant: Revd Steve Jarvis
We welcome Hope Tomes, Luke Leist, Olivia Bloomfield, Imogen Hutchinson and Erin Grocott into the family of the church

Christingle4.00pm

Please see special order of service
Leader: Phil Harper

Please note there is no 6pm service.

Patrick, as Area Dean, is taking the 10am service at St Andrew's, Shottery today

Lives changed through God's love

St Helen's, Clifford Chambers

Holy Communion9.30am
Hymns: 410(SofF), 72(SofF), 329(SofF), 51(A&M)
Reading: Malachi 3. 1-4
Gospel: Luke 3. 1-6
Officiant: Revd Kay Dyer

All Saints', Luddington

Holy Communion BCP.....9.30am
Hymns: 18, 3, 10, 420
Reader: Alison Higgins
Reading: Malachi 3. 1-4
Gospel: Luke 3. 1-6
President & Preacher: Revd Steve Jarvis

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	Luca Martucci	Matt Collins
Anne Rainsberry		

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

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

RECENTLY DEPARTED

Drayden Rooney	Margaret Morris	Brian Webb
	David Wilkinson	

YEARS MIND

Sybil Commander 12th Rohan Stewart-Mac Donald 13th

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

COLLECT O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen

POST COMMUNION Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THIS WEEK

Monday 10

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
7.30 pm	Myton Hospice Christmas Concert

Tuesday 11

9.15 am	Morning Prayer
10.00 am	Holy Communion
2.30 pm	King James Bible Reading
4.15 pm	Evening Prayer
7.30 pm	Bell-ringing Practice

Wednesday 12

9.15 am	Morning Prayer
10.00 am	Holy Communion at the Guild Chapel
10.00-12.00 pm	Lay Chaplain available
1.30pm-3.30 pm	Lay Chaplain available
2.30 pm	King James Bible Reading
4.15 pm	Evening Prayer
6.30 pm	Stratford Preparatory School Service

Thursday 13

9.15 am	Morning Prayer
12.30 pm	Funeral of Margaret Morris
1.30 pm-3.30 pm	Lay Chaplain available
1.30 pm	Memorial Service for Nigel Kitchener, St Helens, Clifford Chambers
	King James Bible Reading
2.30 pm	Evening Prayer
4.15 pm	

Friday 14

9.15 am	Morning Prayer
12.00 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 15

2.30 pm	King James Bible Reading
7.30pm	Stratford Choral Society Concert

**SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
16th December 2018**

Holy Communion	8.00 am
Parish Eucharist	10.00 am
TrinityCentre@10	10.00 am
HT@Rosebird	10.00 am
Open to God (Methodist Hall)	6.00 pm
Choral Evensong	6.00 pm
Morning Worship at St Helen's.....	9.30 am
Holy Communion at All Saints'.....	9.30 am
Christingle at All Saints	3.30 pm

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.

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NOTICES

CHRISTINGLE This very special service takes place **TODAY** at 4pm in Holy Trinity Church. A Christingle service is also being held at **ALL SAINTS**, Luddington next Sunday 16th December at 3.30pm.

There is a **TRAIDCRAFT** stall at coffee after the 10 am service **TODAY**. Buy Christmas goodies and stocking fillers to support fair incomes for small traders in the Third World.

Holy Trinity Choir is singing Christmas carols and anthems at **WARWICK CASTLE** at 1pm **TODAY**. If you have a spare moment in the afternoon, why not come along to hear their singing in the glorious and historic setting of the Great Hall and to enjoy the festivities happening throughout the Castle.

WAITERS STILL NEEDED It's Holy Trinity's turn to host the party for **CONTACT THE ELDERLY CHRISTMAS TEA**. (run through Stratford Churches Together). On Sunday 16th December at 3.30pm. I still need 4 waiters (at least 2 adults). Phone me or put offer in via parish office. Sarah Gretton, 205820.

CAROL SINGING at **THE YARD OF ALE** pub. All are welcome to join Steve singing carols at 7pm next Friday, 14th December.

TRINITY COFFEE STOP Saturday 15th December 10am-12pm in the Parish Centre Lounge.

OPEN TO GOD Next Sunday 16th December 6pm at the Methodist Hall. Everyone welcome.

CAROL SINGING 21ST DECEMBER Are you free on Friday Dec 21st at 5pm? Join us as we sing carols on Trinity Mead and raise money for the Children's Society. More details from Chris Cottrell 01789 204273

EPIPHANY PARTY Put the date in your diary that on Saturday 5th January 5-7pm in the Parish Centre we are having another Epiphany Party, this time with a Beetle Drive. Once again it will be a bring and share meal, a chance to use up any leftover Christmas goodies. Bring your own drink.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY – This year's Box Opening has raised an excellent £1750 towards the essential work of The Children's Society. Of behalf of the Society, many thanks to all our box holders for their generosity and continued support. From myself, a special personal thank you to everyone who helped at the Box Opening. Paul Lageu

HEAD VERGER - Although only with us for a short time Terry has tendered his resignation as our Head Verger. This is a sad moment as it is never good when things don't work out as expected but that is just as it is. Although this has been a difficult decision for Terry he has not left us in a difficult fix with Christmas concerts and services looming; indeed he has kindly offered to stay with us into the new year as we work on redefining of the role and we will make announcements about that in due course. In the meantime we continue to hold Terry in our thoughts and prayers as he works out the right next steps. Terry fully intends to remain a member of the congregation and to maintain his role with the choir.

ECUMENICAL SUPPER - This is being hosted by Holy Trinity Church on Saturday 19th 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.

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

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.

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