



St. Andrew's Reading Street

One family, with Christ at the centre,
welcoming all!

Sunday 2nd December 2018
Advent Sunday

Thought for the week: "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!" Philippians 4:4 p1180.

Welcome: A warm welcome to Rev Rhodri Walters from St Peter's Baptist church who is preaching at our festal evensong tonight.

Remembrance Tree: Don't forget, the tree will be lit during this evening's service at 6:30pm. A big 'thank you' to everyone who sponsored a light in memory of a loved one. The Voyager's charities benefited by over £400

Christmas Fair: Thank you: to Frank Thorley for loaning us the additional tables and to everyone who helped with or attended the Christmas Fair yesterday. It was a time of friendship and fellowship, shared with our neighbours and was enjoyed by all.

A special 'thank you' to our fund-raising team and to the refreshments team in the community hall. Final details of the amount we raised will follow next week.

Thank you: To Geoffrey Philpott for his generous gifts of seasonal produce, his donation of the Remembrance and church Christmas trees, and last, but not least, arranging Father Christmas' transport to the fair!

Messy Church: The Christmas meeting of the messy church group is on Friday 7th December between 3:30 and 5:00pm. Please phone the office on 609513 if you'd like to come along.

Processional Hymn: **32** "O Come, O come, Emmanuel" Verse 1 Solo

Collect:

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the 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.

Readings **Jeremiah 33: 14-16**, p797 *read by Simon*
1 Thessalonians 3: 9- end, p1187 *Kemp*

Gradual Hymn **34** "On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry"

Gospel **Luke 21: 25-36**, p1056

Intercessions *led by John Vince*

Offertory Hymn **31** "Lo, he comes with clouds descending"

Communion Hymn **24** "Come, thou long-expected Jesus,"

Post Communion:

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord

Recessional Hymn **NHWS 110** "Go, tell it on the mountain,"

Prayer after the service: A member of the Pastoral Team will be available in the Lady Chapel after the service should you wish to speak to or pray with them.

Refreshments after the services are available in the community hall.

For the sick: Paul Buckley, Charles Saunders, Liz Stokes, Susan and Tom Hindmarsh, Josephine Barber, Sylvia Long, Shereen Maitra, Joy Johnson, Margaret Lawrence, Nicholas Nadin, Sue Box and Lauren.

From the Book of Remembrance: Donald Baxter (2013), Elsie Burkinshaw (2009), Doris Springett (2007), Bill McParland (1965) and Florence Miles (1976) **Please pray for them and all those whose anniversaries fall at this time.**

This Week: Monday 16th November to Sunday 2nd December

Monday	6:15 pm Beginner's Yoga with Abbey
Tuesday	No Bible study at St Andrew's House until the New Year 7:30 pm Bible Study at "Tonela", Sowell Street
Wednesday	9:30 am Parent and Toddler Group Christmas party in the hall 1:45 pm Women's Group: end of term service and raffle (Please bring a plate of food)
Thursday	10:00 am Said Communion in the Lady Chapel Pilates in the hall with Abbey 11:15 am Relaxation Yoga in the hall with Abbey 7:00 pm Compline: Please come along to this contemplative service as part of your Christmas preparations.
Friday	10:30 am Drop in coffee morning – all welcome! Youth Alpha will resume in the New Year
Sunday	8:00 am Said Communion 10:00 am Family Communion and Junior Church

What's On

StA's Group: We meet again on **Monday 10th December** between 9 and 11:00 am. Come for a cuppa, cake and a chat, meet your neighbours or get together with friends, or call in after taking your children to school.

Friendship Lunch: 12 for 12:30 on **Tuesday 4th December** at Queens Road Baptist church. Names to Janet Porter on 865178 as usual.

Carols for the Village: As part of our community outreach, The Salvation Army band and our local carol singers with lanterns will be on Kitty's Green at 7:00 pm on **Thursday 20th December** to sing a selection of carols, followed by mulled wine and hot mince pies in the community hall. **All are welcome, tell your friends!**

Quiz: Our brain teaser for December is available from the White Swan, Anne Dickinson or the office. £1 donation to enter.

It's that time again ... Your FREE copy of the diocesan magazine for Winter is available. It would be really nice to see all the copies taken away and read. Badger the sides people for a copy with your news sheet!

Christmas Cards: We have a selection of beautiful hand-crafted Christmas cards for sale on the card stall. Why not treat a loved one to an individually designed and handmade card? Only £1:00 including an envelope!

Food Bank: Donations of UHT milk, jam, packets of flavoured rice or couscous, tinned/dried mashed potatoes and tinned main meals stew etc are urgently required to replenish their stocks. Thank you.

Did you know? On this day in 1967, Dr Christiaan Barnard performed the first successful heart transplant on Louis Washkansky. As the good doctor said: 'Suffering isn't ennobling, recovery is.'

Christingle for Pre-School: We are holding a Christingle service at **10:00am on Tuesday 4th December** for the local childminders. All are welcome to attend.

Churches Together Carol Singing: Please join us for carol singing at Tesco, Westwood Cross on **Thursday 13th December, from 4:30 – 5:30pm**. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to sing together with all churches in Broadstairs and St Peter's. We will be collecting for the Thanet Winter Shelter.

Parish Office: The office will be open as usual this week.

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