



PEWS NEWS

Sunday 10th December, 2023
(Second Sunday of Advent)

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Services

Our 10am Sunday services are usually broadcast on **YouTube**. If you'd rather not appear on this then please ask a sidesperson for advice on where to sit.

Sunday 10th December (2nd Sunday of Advent)

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)
Celebrant: Revd. Michael Bigg
10am - Nativity Service
Speaker: Jenny Prince
6pm - Evening Prayer (BCP)
Preacher: Revd. Michael Bigg

Tuesday 12th December
9am - Morning Prayer (said)

Wednesday 13th December
9am - Morning Prayer (said) (online)
2pm - Abbeyfield Holy Communion

Thursday 14th December
9am - Morning Prayer(said) (online)
3.45pm - Messy Church

**Sunday 17th December
(3rd Sunday of Advent)**
10am - Holy Communion (CW)
Preacher: Revd. Michael Bigg
10am - St Andrew's for Kids

Notices

Today St Andrew's for Kids are pleased to present their **Nativity Play!** Thanks to Jenny Prince for writing the script, Helen Wilson for stage directions, to all the cast for working hard to rehearse and to all the adults who have helped behind the scenes.

Christmas Dates

Please put these dates in your diaries and come along!
* 10th Dec @ 10am - Nativity Play
* Monday 18th Dec @ 7pm - Carols by Candlelight
* 19th & 20th Dec - Christmas Dinner and Carols at the Old Crown
* Christmas Eve @ 3pm - Christingle
* Christmas Eve @ 11:30pm - Midnight Communion
* Christmas Day @ 10am - Christmas Day Family Service

Christmas Flowers There's a collection jar if people would like to make a donation towards Christmas flowers.

Rectory Advent Open House

The Rectory will be open for drinks and nibbles between 4-8pm on Saturday 16th. Please pop by at any time to say hello - bring a friend! (42 Church Lane)

Christmas Dinner and Carols

The event on Tues 18th is now sold out but there are still some tables left for Weds 19th. Please ring the Old Crown to book in for a lovely meal and Christmas Carols - a perfect thing to bring a friend to! (01223 277217)

Thank-you to all those who have donated new gloves, hats, socks and scarves for the **Mitten Tree** - a boxful has already been collected! The Mitten Tree will be taken down on 16th December and items distributed to local charities.

Cambridge City Food Bank Please donate seasonal items with long shelf-lives such as jam, tinned ham / salmon, Christmas Cakes, chocolates, nuts (without shells), dried fruit (eg apricots, figs), shampoo, and shower gel. Thank-you for supporting local families who are in need this Advent and Christmas.

Midweek Compline The Zoom compline service was started around the start of the Covid pandemic and has been very helpful to those who came. Sadly, attendance has dwindled such that we will suspend it temporarily, with the possibility of resurrecting it at Easter next year.

This week, church family members listed for **general prayer** are Bob Lloyd, Alastair & Anne Lorimer, Penelope Lutoslowska, Jo Luxton, Catherine Martin, and Lois Mears.

Weekly Readings .

Mon 11th Isaiah 30.1-18; Ps 44; Matthew 14.1-12
Tue 12th Isaiah 30.19-end
Ps 56, 57; Matthew 14.13-end
Wed 13th Isaiah 31; Ps 62, 63; Matthew 15.1-20
Thu 14th Isaiah 32; Ps 53, 54, 60; Matthew 15.21-28
Fri 15th Isaiah 33.1-22; Ps 85, 86; Matthew 15.29-end
Sat 16th Isaiah 35; Ps 145; Matthew 16.1-12

Sunday 17th December (3rd Sunday of Advent)

am Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11
Ps 126 or Canticle: Magnificat
1 Thessalonians 5.16-24
John 1.6-8,19-28
pm Malachi 3.1-4; 4
Ps 68.1-19*
Philippians 4.4-7
Matthew 14.1-12