



PEWS NEWS

Sunday 3rd December, 2023
(Advent Sunday)

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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 3rd December (Advent Sunday)
10am - Holy Communion (CW)
Preacher: Revd. Bob Politt
10am - St Andrew's for Kids
6.30pm - Concert

Tuesday 5th December
9am - Morning Prayer (said)

Wednesday 6th December
9am - Morning Prayer (said) (online)

Thursday 7th December
9am - Morning Prayer(said) (online)
9pm - Compline (said) (online)

Saturday 9th December
7.30pm - Concert

Sunday 10th December (2nd Sunday of Advent)
8am - Holy Communion (BCP)
Celebrant: Revd. Michael Bigg
10am - Nativity Service
6pm - Evening Prayer (BCP)
Preacher: Revd. Michael Bigg

Notices

St Andrew's for Kids Today we'll be learning about St Nicholas of Myra, who the church remembers on 6th December. Nicholas gave gifts and defended the poor for God. We will come and share something about the story with everyone at the end of the service!

A Concert of Musickes Sacred and Profane A free concert put on in St Andrew's Church by staff at the University. All welcome. Bring a friend! Tonight at 6.30pm.

Christmas Dates
Please put these dates in your diaries and come along!
* 9th Dec @ 7:30pm - An Evening of Christmas Jazz
* 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.

There's **An Evening of Christmas Jazz** with the Tim Boniface Quartet, at St Andrew's on Saturday 9th December. Tickets: £16 for adults (including a drink and nibbles during the interval, available at <https://bit.ly/girtonjazz> or by contacting Michael.

Christmas Dinner and Carols at the Old Crown on 19th and 20th December. It's a great fun evening and a good thing to invite friends to. £33/head for a delicious 3-course meal interspersed with singing Christmas carols. Ring the Old Crown to book in on 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 tinned ham / salmon, Christmas Cakes, chocolates, nuts (without shells) and dried fruit (eg apricots, figs). Thank-you for supporting local families who are in need during 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 Peter Jeffries, Malini Jesudason, Rosemary Jones, Mary Kaloo, Colin Kolbert, and Jenny Knights.

Weekly Readings

Mon 4th Isaiah 25.1-9; Ps 50, 54; Matthew 12.1-21
Tue 5th Isaiah 26.1-13; Ps 80, 82; Matthew 12.22-37
Wed 6th Isaiah 28.1-13; Ps 5, 7; Matthew 12.38-end
Thu 7th Isaiah 28.14-end; Ps 42, 43; Matthew 13.1-23
Fri 8th Isaiah 29.1-14; Ps 25, 26; Matthew 13.24-43
Sat 9th Isaiah 29.15-end; Ps 9, (10); Matthew 13.44-end

Sunday 10th December (2nd Sunday of Advent)
am Isaiah 40.1-11; Ps 85.1-2,8-13*
2 Peter 3.8-15a; Mark 1.1-8
pm 1 Kings 22.1-28; Ps 40*;
Romans 15.4-13
Matthew 11.2-11