

Prayer & Worship

20th December 2020

ADVENT 4



Theme: Advent

Topic: Love

Readings:

Romans 16: 25-27

Luke 1: 26-38

Collect: Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.

8.00am Early Communion

9.00am Messy Church Online (see website)

9.00am Online Carols from St.Mark's

10.00am Pennington & Lymington Joint Service

Streamed from our shared YouTube channel:

www.youtube.com/channel/UCKRF1l-cpB5-rn1o5tUNWUw

11.00am Holy Communion

2.00pm Carol Service (ticket only)

This service will also be available on our shared YouTube channel from 2pm, details above.

4.00pm Carol Service (ticket only)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Church: Mission agencies and their ministry throughout the Anglican Communion, including the Mothers' Union around the world.

Diocesan life: Our Bishops Tim, David and Debbie, their lead in mission and their oversight, giving thanks for their office support.

Our Parish: Those who live and work in Pippin Close, Platoff Road, Poles Lane, Powlett Road. Worship Band (organisers Andy and Barbara Clapper).

Sick: All who are unwell.

Departed: Carole Lepard.

Year's Mind: Those who died at this time last year. Roger Bennett, Shirley Prince, Mary Winnington.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Monday 21st December

9.00am Zoom Prayer with Sarah and Jane

Zoom meeting details: [click here for meeting](#) or enter: Meeting ID: 895 2990 2640 Passcode: 2020 Dial in from a landline phone: 0131 460 1196

Tuesday 22nd December

9.00am Zoom Prayer with Sarah and Jane

11.00am *Take Time Together* Ignatian meditation

6.00pm Fun Carols on YouTube

Wednesday 23rd December

9.00am Zoom Prayer with Sarah and Jane

11.00am NO Holy Communion today

CHRISTMAS EVE

Readings: Isaiah 52: 7-10; John 1: 1-14

Collect: Eternal God, in the stillness of this night you sent your almighty Word to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation: give to the earth the peace that we long for and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven through our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

9.00am Zoom Prayer with Sarah and Jane

4.00pm Christingle Crib Service on YouTube

6.00pm Christmas Eve Communion from St.Mark's on YouTube

11.30pm Midnight Mass (ticket only)

Voluntary: 'God rest you merry gentlemen' by Wilbur Held

This service will also be available on our shared YouTube channel from 11.30pm, details as before.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Readings: Isaiah 9: 2-7

Luke 2: 1-14

Collect: Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God.



8.00am Christmas Communion (ticket only)

9.00am Zoom Prayer with Sarah

10.00am Christmas Service on YouTube

11.00am Christmas Communion (ticket only)

Anthem: 'Infant holy, Infant lowly'

Polish arr. Willcocks

Voluntary: Gigue Fugue (BWV577) by J S Bach

12.30pm Informal Get-together on Zoom

[click here to join](#) or enter details below:

Meeting ID: 851 1706 0907 Password: coffee

Saturday 26th December

ST STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR

NO parish prayers on Zoom today

NEXT SUNDAY 27th DECEMBER CHRISTMAS 1 (ST.JOHN THE EVANGELIST)

Readings: Galatians 4: 4-7; Luke 2: 15-21

Collect: God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ.

10.00am Pennington and Lymington Joint Service only today (YouTube details as 20th December)

Parish Office Christmas Closure: the office is closed from noon on Wednesday 23rd December until Monday 4th January

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Church: Pray for Christians in other denominations and the work of the ecumenical movement

Diocesan life: Our Archdeacons Peter and Richard and their Personal Assistant, for their practical support of our parishes and clergy.

Our Parish: Those who live and work in Priestlands Place, Princess Royal Close, Private Road, Pyrford Mews. Verger Amanda Dawson.

Sick: All who are unwell.

Departed: Carole Lepard.

Year's Mind: Cyril Payne, Priest (2014).

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Monday 28th December

THE HOLY INNOCENTS

9.00am Informal Zoom Prayer

Zoom meeting details: [click here for meeting](#) or enter: Meeting ID: 895 2990 2640 Passcode: 2020 Dial in from a landline phone: 0131 460 1196

Tuesday 29th December

9.00am Informal Zoom Prayer

Wednesday 30th December

9.00am Informal Zoom Prayer

11.00am NO Holy Communion today

Thursday 31st December

9.00am Informal Zoom Prayer

Friday 1st January Happy New Year!

NAMING OF JESUS

12noon New Year's Day drinks on Zoom

[click here to join](#) or enter details below:

Meeting ID: 851 1706 0907 Password: coffee

Saturday 2nd January

9.00am Prayer for the work of the parish

[click here to join](#) or enter details below:

Meeting ID: 845 7737 0849 Passcode: 676194

Dial in from a landline phone: 0203 051 2874

SUNDAY 3rd JANUARY EPIPHANY

Readings: Ephesians 3: 1-12; Matthew 2: 1-12

Collect: God our Father, in love you sent your Son that the world may have life: lead us to seek him among the outcast and to find him in those in need, for Jesus Christ's sake.

8.00am Early Communion

10.00am Pennington and Lymington Joint Service

11.00am Holy Communion

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Monday 4th January to Thursday 7th January

9am Informal Zoom Prayer with Sarah and Jane

Wednesday 6th January

11am Holy Communion

News

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Comfort and Joy: a booklet of 9 readings and reflections to be used in the days after Christmas. The reflections have been prepared by Archbishop Justin and others. The booklets are available at the back of church, please help yourself. A donation of £1 would cover the cost if you wish.

The mince pie delivery to market stall holders this year will be done by Jonathan, Jane, Andy and Barbara, to minimise contacts. Hopefully in 2021 we will be able to return to the full team.

Christmas Collections: the PCC has decided that the cash collections at our Christmas services will be shared with Oakhaven Hospice.

Christmas Prayer Tree: The Friends of St.Thomas Church tree in the corner is a prayer/message tree. Do write your Christmas prayers and messages on one of the labels and hang on the tree.

Poetry Book: Derek Lee has written a collection of wonderful poems and is selling the illustrated booklet for £10 with all proceeds for the Friends of Namuwongo Community Foundation, a small Ugandan charity providing education for children in the slums of Kampala. An opportunity to buy a unique gift for yourself or others. Please contact Derek or Sarah Bunce on 672966 or 07792 866989.

Unwanted Christmas Decorations: are needed for sales tables at the 2021 Christmas Tree Festival. Please leave on the bench in my porch at Number One Belmore ROAD, Lymington, SO41 3NU, or telephone 671427 to arrange collection. Many thanks.
Joan Horton-Fawkes

February Lymington Parish News: copy date for original contributions is Wednesday 6th January, regular columnists by Friday 15th January please.

Lymington and Pennington Churches Survey: we're keen to understand how you're connecting with our services and churches. A questionnaire has been put together by Rob and Mair Ellis, in conjunction with Rev'ds Rachel Noël and Peter Salisbury. Rob and Mair have a background in market research and have generously offered to create and host this questionnaire for free. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey https://cogresearch.gabba.net/church_survey/?source=LE

Church Mission Society: the Christmas Link Letter from Andrew and Lisa Peart, our Mission Partner in Bolivia, is now available on the Mission table. Do take a copy and see their Christmas message, words for all of us to think about at this special time. A very blessed Christmas to all. Sandy White