



# Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 1<sup>st</sup> of Advent



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Thank you

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## PRAYERS

### We pray for those who live in:

Almond Road, Baldwin Road, Baytree Court, Clonmel Way, Hall Meadow, Minniecroft Road

### Prayers for the sick and in need:

Nicholas, Roger, Kate Fisher, Bicky, Baby Aria, Ros Townshend, Geoff Day, Nicholas, Rachel, Roger, Kate Fisher, Revd Andrew Fordyce, Roger, Ellen,

### Recently Departed:

Henry Cottrell, Vic Townshend.

### From the Book of Remembrance:

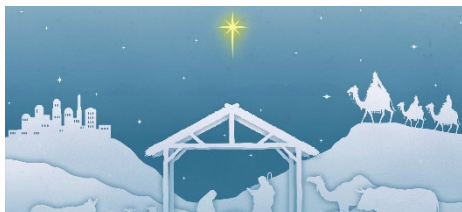
Bessie Bun, Arthur Bacon, Iris Jones, Eileen Pickering

Please add to the sheet on the heater cupboard if you would like us to continue to pray for a loved one or would like us to add someone to the list for **DECEMBER**

Please continue to pray for Revd Sue and our LLM Ian

## CHRISTMAS

Details of Christmas at St Peter's are available on the heater cover.



There is a sign up sheet on the heater cover for readers for Nine Lessons and Carols- Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 6.30pm.

## SERVICES

Weekly Services



Sunday 8am BCP

Sunday 10am Parish Eucharist

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 10am WOW Service**

Wednesday 9.30am Parish Eucharist

Morning Prayer Tues-Fri 9am apart from Wednesday

Evening Prayer Tues- Fri 5pm apart from Wednesday

Communion may be received either sharing the common cup, on the north side-Vicar's right, or by intinction,(vicar dips wafer in wine), on the south side-vicar's left.

**Please use the whole of the front of the dais not just the rails. Thank you**

**Please join us in Cornerstone after the 10am service for refreshments**



## COMMUNION CAFÉ

Our Christmas Communion Café will be on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at the usual time of 10.15am

## SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> December

8am

**Preaching:** Revd Sue Smith

**Presiding:** Revd Sue Smith

**10am**

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**Presiding:** Revd Sue Smith

**Intercessor:** Pete

**First Reading :** Michelle

**Second Reading:** Cliff

**Sidespeople:** Sue L, Steph

**Duty Warden :** Pam

**Chalice:** Pam, Michelle

**Coffee:** Derrick, Innez

## SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> December

8am

**Preaching:** Revd Carol Dunk

**Presiding:** Revd Carol Dunk

**10am**

**Preaching:** WoW

**Presiding:** WoW

## DO WE HAVE A NEW VICAR YET?



We are delighted to be able to announce that, following a successful interview on 12th October, an appointment has been made for the new Vicar of Burnham. We need to wait for permission from the Bishop of our new Vicar's sending Diocese before we are able to release a name, but we will make it known as soon as possible. We hope they will be able to start their new ministry here in the new year.

## INCLUSIVE CHURCH

Please do let us know if there are any barriers to your worship or church life. We now have a suggestion box in the North Transept for your requests. These can be anonymous if you wish

**I would say to any young person... who's being bullied for their sexuality: don't put up with it – speak to a trusted adult, a friend, a teacher, Childline, Diana Award or some other service and get the help you need. You should be proud of the person you are and you have nothing to be ashamed of.**

**William, Prince of Wales**

Each week a quotation is posted about one of the nine areas of discrimination listed in our Inclusive Church statement: **disability, economic power, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, learning disability, mental health, neurodiversity, and sexuality** This is done on a rotation basis.

**Any contributions would be most welcome.**

Next week's area is **DISABILITY**



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Thank you Jackie for this beautiful prayer for Inclusive Church

God of Love,  
May our church always be an inclusive space .

We ask for courage and direction to overcome our differences, forgive those who have harmed us, and work towards a common objective of peace and unity.

Encourage in us compassion, empathy, and understanding, helping us to turn our attention from our own desires and needs, to those of others.

Amen

## CHILDREN

We believe that children and young people can follow Jesus and be full members of the church, and that Discipleship is possible at any age. They are integral to our churches, But we need to make sure there are no obstacles preventing them from getting involved.



**Wow**  
It's Christmas  
Sunday 8th December  
10am  
Carols  
Storytelling  
Prayers  
Craft  
All welcome  
Please come dressed as a character or animal from the Nativity Story  
admin@stpetersburnham.org 01628 664336  
St Peter's Church, Burnham

Our monthly WoW services are aimed at the younger members of our community and can be noisy, chaotic and boisterous. If you are uncomfortable with this environment the earlier 8am service on this day or Communion Café on the following Monday may be more suitable.

## LITTLE ANGELS

We look forward to seeing you on Thursdays during termtime 9.30-11.30am.



Termtime Thursdays  
9.30-11.30am  
Little Angels  
Baby & Toddler Group  
in Cornerstone  
St Peter's Church  
Toys, colouring, craft, storytelling, singing and nursery rhymes  
£2 per child including squash and biscuits  
50p for each additional child  
Come along, play and make friends!  
admin@stpetersburnham.org 01628 664336

## BIRTHDAYS

A very happy birthday to all our church family members who have birthdays this week.



Please let Pam know if you would like to be added to our Birthday book

## NEWS & NOTICES

### BISHOP OF BUCKINGHAM

Downing Street announced on Wednesday that Revd Canon Dave Bull has been nominated as the next Bishop of Buckingham.



Dave is currently Team Rector of Marlow and Area Dean of Wycombe. Please pray for Dave as he prepares to take up his new ministry at the end of February.

### CHRISTMAS TREE

We are inviting you to make a star from recycled materials for this year's tree and make a donation to this year's Christmas Tree charity. Please watch out for further details.

### CONTACT FORMS

We are updating our contact forms and request that everyone completes one and returns it to the office. This is especially important for those who live

on their own. Please take a form from the heater cover.  
<https://www.stpetersburnham.org/data-privacy-notice>

## GB CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December we are holding our usual Christmas shopping evening in the church from 6.30 until 8pm. This year it promises to be bigger and better than ever. We have a fabulous raffle, chocolates, beer and many different crafts. We would love to see you in what is our biggest fundraising night of the year.

## PCC MEETING

The next meeting of the PCC is on 4th Dec 7.30pm in Cornerstone.

## PATHWAYS MAGAZINE

Winter's edition is now available on the heater cupboard and in church

## HYMN BOOKS

Copies of our Hymns Old and New (orange cover) are in the book case by the west door.

Please take home a copy if you wish. Jackie Loveday Secretary to PCC

## CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES

It's the time of year when we take in and count the boxes you have been filling up during the past year. Do bring them along to church in the next couple of weeks, otherwise Ian will be knocking on your door! If you do not yet have a collecting box, and would like to start, please contact Ian, he has several spare.

## SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING CHRISTMAS CRAFTERNOON

A big thank you to all who took part in Sunday's Crafternoon. We had great fun being creative with items which would otherwise end up in landfill.





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We also raised around £125 in donations, which will go towards the mission and maintenance of St Peter's

## CAROL SINGING

Our choir is very busy carol singing this year and we would really appreciate your help.

Please put the following dates in your diary and support our charity fundraising as much as you possibly can

Carols and Cider at the Old 5 Bells  
Sunday 15th December 7 pm  
Sainsburys Monday 16th December 6pm  
Tesco - Thursday 19th December 6pm  
Burnham Village Saturday 21st December 10.30 am

Churches Together is also singing at the turning on of the Christmas lights in Burnham Park Hall on Saturday 7th December from 6.15 pm and it would be great to have a lot of people from St Peter's making a joyful noise. You do not need to have an amazing singing voice for any of these events - just a lot of enthusiasm and a smile on your face

## CHRISTMAS WORKSHOPS

Wreathmaking- Thursday, 5th December, 2pm - cost £35 in Cornerstone

This will be led by Marilia Carvalho who has the glass workshop on Gore Road.

The workshop will last around 3 hours, no experience is necessary, all materials will be provided.

See Sheila/Lisa to book your place, there is a limit on numbers so it will be first come, first served.

Payment in advance please.

## WEDNESDAY WELCOME

### TOMBOLA PRIZES

We would love donations for our Christmas tombola taking place on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December..

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We had a very productive social and fundraising meeting last week and have planned events for next year. Further details nearer the time

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January **Bell Celebration**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January **Burns Night Supper**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

2pm **Nostalgia Afternoon**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March **Shrove Tuesday**

**Pancake Party**

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March **Rennie Grove**

**Quiz afternoon TBC**

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March **Adults' Puppet**

**Party** - celebrating 15 years of

Puppeting at St Peter's

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May **Magic Night**

## DEANERY NEWS

Please see noticeboard in Cornerstone and our website for NOVEMBER'S Deanery News

## **ECO CHURCH**



**The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, The world and all those**

**who live in it**

**For he has founded it on the seas**

**And established it on the rivers**

**(Ps 24)**

**Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth? With the help of God I will.**

We are collecting used ink cartridges for The Well.

Please do help yourself to a scrap notebook from the heater cupboard.

These are made from office paper which would otherwise go straight to the recycling bin. Thanks to Vickie and Kony for making these up.

## FOOD WASTE

### **Food waste facts and statistics**

A third of all food produced globally is thrown away

The UK wastes approximately 9.52 million tonnes of food every year.

The average household spends £470 on food that ends up in the bin every year.

The UK produces the largest amount of food waste in Europe

'Most things can be frozen, so if you've got leftovers, or things approaching their use by date, whack them in the freezer. Don't forget to label them so you know how long they've been there.'



## **FREEZING TIPS:**

Divide up bigger dishes so you can easily dig out a couple of portions at a time.

Grate hard cheese before it is frozen and give defrosted skimmed milk a good shake before using it.

Eggs cope well in the freezer with a bit of prep. Beat until blended, pour them into freezer containers and label the containers with how many eggs are in each before freezing.

**Do you have any tips to share to combat food waste? Please let Pam know Thank you**

## ECO EQUIPMENT

During half-term Toby and Alice borrowed our bat detectors, which were funded by BBOWT. They were eager to use them after joining us on one of our summer bat walks.



Toby said:-

Using the bat detectors at half-term was really fun we heard them eating and it was cool.

Alice said:-

Thank you for letting us borrow your bat detectors, it was really fun finding bats and hearing them eating insects like the man taught us when he came to church.

If you would like to borrow the bat detectors or any of the other equipment funded by BBOWT- litter pickers with gloves, or binoculars – please contact Pam in the office.



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## **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.

**AMEN**

## **FIRST READING**

### **Jeremiah 33:14-16**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

## **SECOND READING**

### **1 Thessalonians 3:9-End**

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our **God** and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

## **GOSPEL**

### **Luke 21:25-36**

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

## **POST COMMUNION**

O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son  
our Lord;  
that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service  
and joyful in his praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.