



CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2022

CRIB SERVICE: Sunday 18th 10am:

For all to enjoy. Come dressed as a character or animal from the Nativity story, which is retold during the service, in an interactive and fun way. Great for all the family.

9 LESSONS & CAROLS: Sunday 18th 6pm

Come and join in our lovely Carols and bring family and friends.

CHRISTMAS EVE: Saturday 24th CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT 6pm:

Sing traditional Christmas Carols with all the family. With Christmas Tree and candlelight to set the atmosphere.

MIDNIGHT COMMUNION 11.30pm:

A Service of Holy Communion that takes us through midnight and into Christmas Day, celebrating with joy the start of the season of Christmastide.

CHRISTMAS DAY HOLY COMMUNION 8.30 and 10am:

Celebrate God coming to live among humanity in the person of Jesus, with carols and readings. The season of Christmas ends on 6th January with Epiphany, recalling how Jesus was first revealed to the wider world in the visit of the Magi (Wise Men).

SAVE THE DATE!

JANUARY

Saturday 21st Games Night in the large hall. Bring your friends, games, your drinks and nibbles for an evening of family fun.

FEBRUARY

Saturday 18th Bournemouth Male Voice Choir concert in church. Further details to follow.

THIS WEEK...

Sunday 11 December

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10am Holy Communion
JaM in the large hall
5pm Iona



Monday 12 December

Please pray for all using our halls/church. Hennings Park Road and Hiley Road
Advent Course 2-4pm and 7-9pm in Choir Vestry

Tuesday 13 December

Please pray for wisdom in decisions by Poole MP, Robert Syms, Johnston Road and Kenyon Close

Wednesday 14 December

Please pray for all who attend lunch club and community afternoon teas, Kenyon Road and Kirby Close
10am Holy Communion in The Lady Chapel
11am-3pm St Edward's School in church (rehearsals)
2-4pm Knit & Natter in the large hall
7pm St Edward's Christmas Concert in church

Thursday 15 December

Please pray for all who will be baptised this weekend. Lime Close and Marlott Road
8am-3pm CHJS rehearsals in church
12noon Lunch Club
6pm Canford Heath Junior School Christmas Concert in church

Friday 16 December

Please pray for all who are homeless. Mellstock Road and Middle Road
Advent Course 10-12noon in Choir Vestry

Saturday 17 December

Please pray for all who attend St George's 9 Lessons and Carols service tomorrow, Milestone Rd and Moor View Rd
9am Prayers for the Parish via Zoom. Please join us at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/77393429328?pwd=QUZ2VHJlU1N1RXc3Y1BvaVo0N3F0Zz09>
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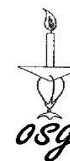
Sunday 18 December

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10am Crib Service
12noon Baptism
3pm Community Afternoon Tea
6pm 9 Lessons and Carols

Readings for Sunday 18th December ~ Advent 4
Romans 1. 1-7 and Matthew 1. 18-end

THIS WEEK AT OAKDALE ST GEORGE

**Sunday 11 December 2022
Advent 3**



Dear friends,

It may be far from seed sowing or harvest time, but we have a farming picture to reflect on this week as we think about patiently waiting for things to happen.

We are also to be guided by the patient suffering of the prophets, and especially John the Baptist. In him we learn that even in times of difficulty and darkness we can still patiently sow the seeds of faith.

As the world rushes by preparing for a one day event, may we be more patient in strengthening our hearts to love and serve the Lord for all of our lives.

As we wait through Advent to celebrate the Incarnation at Christmas, perhaps we might pray for those around the world who are suffering terrible and dark times, that they might have patience; praying for peace, for stability, and that they might know and accept Jesus, the Light of the World into their hearts.

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5pm Iona service in the Lady Chapel



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| | Please do stay in touch |
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The Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

James 5. 7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Matthew 11. 2-11

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.' As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

Post Communion

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer: Please pray for...

Worldwide: The Anglican Church of Kenya.

Diocese: HMP Guy's Marsh

Local: Greenfield Road and Heath Avenue



Immediate Prayer: Mandy Barrington, Hazel Cockburn, Ray Durman, Jim E, Jean Frake, Carol Philpott, Sandy Primrose, Gerda, Kezia.

Continuous Prayer: Carol Burridge, June Chappell, Hazel Day, Jim E, Barbara Fairbrother, Paul Fairbrother, Reenie Flay, Sarah Fowler, Richard Glynn, Margaret Grindrod, Pat Howe, Ann Johnson, Jim L, Margaret Macfarlane, Beverly Mitchell, Susan Mort, Robert Nauta, Julia Stokes, Logan Wicks, Hilary, Lorraine, Melanie.

Also we remember those who have died recently **RIP Brian Joy, Dorothy Woods** and those whose anniversaries are recorded in our Book of Remembrance: **Betty Martin, Marcelle Perham**

The Common Cup will be in use for Holy Communion from Sunday 11 December at the 8.30 and 10am services and on Wednesdays from 14 December.



You can if you wish continue to take communion in one kind if you prefer. Intincting will **NO LONGER** be an option, and the congregation are asked **NOT** to try to intinct their wafer.

Festival Services: At the Christmas Eve and the 10am Christmas Day services, in recognition of the importance of the celebrations, Communion will be administered around the altar rail.

In the New Year the administration of communion will return to the chancel steps for health and safety reasons.

The Children's Society

I would like to express a sincere **Thank You** for your loyal and generous support this year. We will be able to forward **£882.84** to help them with their important work.

Sue Edge.

Add Poole food Bank to your Christmas List!

Poole Food Bank really appreciate your generosity throughout the year however they are struggling at the moment. Could you consider making a one-off financial donation to the Food Bank as a 'Christmas Gift', or making a regular financial donation?



Poole Food Bank
CAF Bank Account
Sort code: 40-52-40,
Account no: 00034948

Thankyou!

ROUTES TO ROOTS— This Christmas we are collecting hats, scarves, gloves and socks for Routes to Roots. (All new please.) There is a large box at the back of the church. Let's see if we can fill it with things to help keep the homeless warm.

Thank you!

Church Offerings A reminder if you have Gift Aided your donations to the church that we can reclaim 25p for every pound donated. If you have Gift Aided in the past and now no longer pay income tax, please let Alan Russell know as soon as possible.

CHRISTMAS CARDS Please note that you are welcome to exchange cards with each other at church. However, there is nowhere to leave them to be collected. Every January we find cards which have not be collected and they have to be put in the dustbin unopened.