

St John the Evangelist, Hedge End

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Sunday 15th December 2024

3rd Sunday of Advent

Rev'd Phil Aindow

Readings:

1st Reading: Isaiah 12:1-6
2nd Reading: Matthew 1: 18-25

Services:

Sunday: 9.30 am Nativity Service
2.00pm Christmas Games
6.30pm Communion with Carols



FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

We pray that we will not be so caught up in preparations for Christmas that we forget the true meaning: the birth of our Lord and Saviour. We pray for Christians everywhere, especially those in troubled lands where they must wait for Christmas in secret.

PRAY FOR: We pray for children who do not know the true meaning of Christmas and only look forward to receiving gifts. We pray for children who will receive nothing at all.

Pray for the situations in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine and Sudan.

ANGLICAN COMMUNION CYCLE: The Anglican Church of Tanzania.

DIOCESAN LIFE: Winchester Social Enterprise, particularly in its work of setting up our own pre-school settings and offer support and guidance to others affiliated through the Launchpad Early Years Network.

NEIGHBOURS: Taplin Dr, Lake Farm Cl, Waterbeech Dr, Simmons Close, Harris Avenue and Bader Close.

FOR WHOLENESS & HEALING: Marguerite Ackroyd, John Martin, Susan Phippard, Mike Collins, Christopher, Dave Taylor, baby Ember, Diana Fouch, Linda, Craig Rees and Jay Davis.



DEPARTED: John Reynolds

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S

We love meeting new people. If you are new to our congregation or visiting, it would be great to say hello. If you can, please stay for tea & coffee after the morning service.

As a church family there are many ways you can become involved. You can make a commitment to worship with us regularly, join us in our weekly activities and financially contribute to our work.

To make a donation to enable the church there is the basket at the back of church, a card machine next to it or there is the online giving page at www.achurchnearyou.com/church/18453/. If you would like to make a regular contribution please enquire about the PGS scheme, you can find a leaflet at the entrance to the UHC.

MUSIC FOR TODAY

- 1st:** In Advent hope
- 2nd:** O come all ye faithful
- 3rd:** O little Town of Bethlehem
- 4th:** Hark the herald angels sing
- 5th:** Silent night
- 6th:** Once in Royal David's city
- 7th:** We Three Kings

This week the office will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday between 9.00 - 1.00 pm. Please see the website for more information. Office | office@stjohns-hedgeend.org.uk | 01489 790048



DIARY FOR THE WEEK
W/B 16th December 2024

Monday:

6.30pm Yoga with Mike & Steve (Upstairs)

Tuesday:

9.30am Table Tennis (Upstairs)

11.15am Sally's group (Downstairs)

2.00pm Cleaner

7.30pm Yoga with Julia (Matthew & Mark)

Wednesday:

6:30pm Pilates with Zoe (Matthew & Mark)

7.30pm West End Singers (Luke)

Thursday:

2.00pm Crafty Thursdays (Downstairs)

Friday

10.30am Southern Health (Luke)

4.00pm Private Party

Saturday:

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS

Sunday 15th December 9:30am
Nativity Service

Sunday 15th December 2:00pm
Christmas Games

An afternoon of festive fun!

Sunday 22nd December 2:00pm
A Very Messy Christmas

Tuesday 24th December 2:00pm
Crib to Christingle

Tuesday 24th December 11:30pm
Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December 10am
Christmas Day Celebration

DO INVITE FAMILY AND FRIENDS

EVERYONE WELCOME

Next Sunday: 22nd December 2024

9.30 am: Communion Service

1st Reading: Micah 5: 1-4

Gospel: Luke 1: 39-45

2.00pm: A Very Messy Christmas

6.30pm: No evening service

Fair Trade Stall

We will be running the stall on the 2nd Sunday of every month. Lots of 'goodies'.

Leonie and Jackie.

COFFEE ROTA

Next Sunday - 22nd December

Margaret Dowle

Faye Weeden

Jackie Murley

ST JOHN'S CIDER

Thank you to everyone who helped with the cider making in the autumn.

The brewery team have raised and donated £350 to church funds this year; from Christmas Ale, cider, Pimm's night and 150th Anniversary.

Wishing you all a happy Christmas!

The Brewing Team

COFFEE ROTA

Would you be able to help with making the coffee / tea on the Third Sunday of the month?

One volunteer needed to join the team please.

Please speak to Phil, Jim or David L.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Sarah Siddons Theatre Group
18th January - 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Underhill Centre £5 per person

ALL WELCOME

Details of how to book to follow.



