



St John the Evangelist, Hedge End

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Sunday 7th December 2025

2nd Sunday of Advent

Rev'd Phil Aindow

9.30am Family Communion Service

Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10 and Matthew 3:1-12

3.00pm Festive Family Carols

6.30pm No Evening Service



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 Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). You can find a leaflet at the entrance to the Underhill Centre.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

PRAY FOR: 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 Church of Bangladesh - Samuel Sunil Mankhin (Moderator)

DIOCESAN LIFE: Our Diocesan Synod, the Chairs of the Houses of Laity and Clergy, praying for wisdom and discernment in all our decision making and the direction of our calling.

NEIGHBOURS: Cherrywood, Yew Tree Close, Chalice Court, St Catherine's View, Netley Firs Road, The Bartons, Firs Drive and The Heights.

FOR WHOLENESS & HEALING: Susan & Adie Phippard, Linda, Craig Rees, David Lynch, Marguerite Ackroyd, Michael Rosendale, Mary, Sue & Lee Davis, Wendy, Roger Bailey and John Mansfield.

DEPARTED: Yvonne Thornton, Mrs C Kempster

Music for Sunday

1st: Advent Hymn

2nd: Goodness of God

HC: Bind us together, Waiting here for you, Graves into Gardens

Final: Waymaker

Next Sunday 14th December

9.30 am: Communion Service

Readings: tbc

3.00pm Wild Christmas

6:30pm: No Evening Service

This week the office will be open **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday**
between 9.00 - 1.00pm

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK
W/B 7th December 2025

Sunday

Monday

10.15am Jiggy Wrigglers
1.00pm DPP (Luke)
6.30pm Yoga with Steve (Luke)
6.30pm Yoga with Mike (Matthew and Mark)

Tuesday

9.30am Table Tennis (All upstairs)
3.30pm Perform (Upstairs)
7.30pm Yoga Julia (Upstairs M&M)

Wednesday

9.30am Art Group (Matthew & Mark)
9.30am Men's Shed (Downstairs)
2.00pm Private wake (Downstairs)
6.30pm Pilates (Matthew & Mark)
7.30pm Mothers' Union Christmas Party (Downstairs)
7.30pm West End Singers (Luke)

Thursday

7.00am Slimming World (Downstairs)
2.00pm Crafty Thursdays (Downstairs)
5.00pm Jo Vowles Dance School (M&M)

Friday

10.00am Southern Health (Luke)
11.00 Funeral (C Kempster Church)
1.00pm Breath Easy (Downstairs)

Saturday

Upcoming Christmas Services

Saturday 13th December

6pm Blue Christmas

Sunday 14th December

3pm Wild Christmas

Sunday 21st December

9.30am Nativity Service

6pm Carols by Candlelight

Mothers' Union Christmas Party

Wednesday 10th December 7.30pm,

Mothers' Union Christmas Party
in the Underhill Centre.
Buffet, quiz, Christmas carols & readings, raffle.

ALL WELCOME.

If you can, please bring a gift for Society of St James - socks, toiletries, festive treat, etc.

Sign up sheet at back of Centre.

Mothers' Union Carol Service and Tea

Thursday 18th December 2.00pm

Mothers' Union Carol Service in church followed
by tea in the Underhill Centre.

ALL WELCOME.

Sign up sheet at back of Centre.

Thank you

Grateful thanks to Heart and Voice choir for the
Advent Concert held in church last Sunday,
in aid of the Society of St James
who provide vital support to end homelessness.
Generous donations amounted to over
£600 plus some Gift Aid.

2026 Calendar

Tim Ferkin, a local photographer, who has taken
some lovely images of St John's Church, is releasing
a calendar with images of local landscapes for
2026. All proceeds go to a Christian charity called
Safe Families.

More information to follow.

Upcoming Christmas Services

Christmas Eve

3.00pm Crib to Christingle

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10.00am Christmas Celebration