

St John the Evangelist, Hedge End

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8th December 2024 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

Rev'd Phil Aindow

Readings:

1st Reading: Malachi 3: 1-4

2nd Reading: Luke 3: 1-6



Services:

Saturday: 6.30pm

A Blue Christmas (A reflective service)

Sunday: 9.30 am

Holy Communion

4.30pm

Carol Service

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 Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

DIOCESAN LIFE: Our Mission and Ministry team which supports our discipleship, discernment, calling, training and equipping in ministry and mission.

NEIGHBOURS: Strawberry Fields, Upper Northam Close, The Shires, Clover Way, Mallow Road and Buttercup Close.

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



DEPARTED: Dennis Collins, James

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: Come thou long expected Jesus
3rd: People, look east
4th: How deep the Father's love for us
5th: In Christ Alone
6th: Long ago, prophets knew

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 9th December 2024

Monday:

10:30am Baby Massage (Luke)
6.30pm Yoga with Mike & Steve (Upstairs)

Tuesday:

9.30am Table Tennis (Upstairs)
1.00pm Private group (Downstairs)
2.00pm Cleaner
7.30pm Yoga with Julia (Matthew & Mark)

Wednesday:

9.30am Art Group (Upstairs)
6:30pm Pilates with Zoe (Matthew & Mark)
7.30pm West End Singers (Luke)
7.30pm Mothers' Union Party (Downstairs)

Thursday:

2.00pm Crafty Thursdays (Downstairs)
5.00pm Joanna Vowles school of Dance (Matthew & Mark)

Friday

10:00am School visit to church
10.30am Southern Health (Luke)
1.45pm Breathe Easy Group (Downstairs)

Saturday:

10:00am Private Party (Matthew & Mark)
12:00pm Private hire (Downstairs)

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS

Saturday 7th December 6.30pm

A Blue Christmas

A quieter, reflective service.
Refreshments afterwards.

Sunday 8th December 4:30pm

Carol Concert

A traditional service with lessons and carols,
followed by refreshments and music from the
West End Singers.

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: 15th December 2024

9.30 am: Nativity Service

1st Reading: Isaiah 12:1-6
Gospel: Luke 3: 7-18

2.00pm: Christmas Games

6.30pm: Communion with Carols

COFFEE ROTA

Next Sunday - 15th December

Marnie Davis
Val Emery
Sally Gailer

Mothers' Union Christmas Party

Wednesday 11th December 7.30pm

Mothers' Union Christmas Party in the UHC:
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.
Please sign sheet at back of Centre.

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.

Children's Society

If you would like to add your name to the
Big Christmas Card this year please use the slips
at the back of the Church.
Fill in your details & return it, with your donation,
to me or leave it in the office.

Thank you. Jackie