



Welcome

to the Parish Church of St. John the Evangelist, Farncombe

Sunday 8th December – Second Sunday of Advent

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| 8.00am | Holy Eucharist | | | | |
| 10.00am | Parish Eucharist | | | | |
| Readings | Malachi 3.1-4 | | Luke 3.1-6 | | |
| Hymns | 656 | 105 | 606 | 541 | 405 |
| 7.30pm | Compline Online | | | | |

Introit: People of Zion, let the Lord come to save His people, and may he hear the glory of your voice, dressed in robes of joy. (Isaiah 30)

Collect (Prayer for the Day): O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer: Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world, and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday 15th December – Third Sunday of Advent

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| 8.00am | Holy Eucharist | | | | |
| 10.00am | Parish Eucharist | | | | |
| Readings | Phil 4.4-7 | | Luke 3.7-18 | | |
| Hymns | 263 | 655 | 527 | 669 | 57 |

Prayer Suggestions

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| The World: | The wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Yemen, Lebanon, and Gaza |
| The Global Church: | The Church of Sudan, and its Archbishop Ezekiel Kondo |
| The Diocese: | The Bishop of Guildford's Community Fund |
| The Deanery: | The parish of Shottermill, and Tim Radcliffe the incumbent |
| The Parish: | The Citizens' Advice Bureau, Social Services & Probation service |

Those who are sick or in need of prayer

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| Kelly | James & Su | Susan |
| Lockie | Ray Brown | Ezra |

Anniversaries of Death

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| Jason Goodaire | Minnie Downes | Olive Gocher |
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Within the Parish

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| Sunday | Birch Road |
| Monday | Blackburn Way |
| Tuesday | Bourne Road |
| Wednesday | Bowring House |
| Thursday | Brackenlea |
| Friday | The Brambles |
| Saturday | Bramswell Road |

This Week

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| Monday 9th | St Edmunds Toddler Group | 10.30am | Church Room |
| Tuesday 10th | Prayer for the church | 8.30am | Lady Chapel |
| | Slimming World 8.30 & 10am, 5.30 & 7pm | | Church Room |
| | Midweek Eucharist | 10.30am | Lady Chapel |
| Wednesday 11th | Organ practice | 8.15am | Church |
| | Townswomens Guild | 10.00am | Church Room |
| | Pilates | 10.00am | Church |
| | Balance Class | 11.15am | Church |
| | MU/Kettles On Party | 2.00pm | Church Room |
| | Pilates | 6.00pm | Church Room |
| | Choir practice | 7.00pm | Church |
| | Dance Class | 7.30pm | Church Room |
| Thursday 12th | Prayer for Farncombe | 9.00am | Lady Chapel |
| | Helpful Habits | 2.30pm | Lady Chapel |
| | Rainbows | 3.45pm | Church Room |
| | Single Tracks | 5.15pm | Church Room |
| Friday 13th | Organ practice | 8.15am | Church |
| | St John's Toddler Group | 10.30am | Church Room |
| | Toddler Praise | 11.45am | Church |
| Saturday 14th | Big Church Clean | 9.30am | Church |

Next:

Coffee Morning: Saturday 7th December, 10am

Compline: Sunday 8th December, 7.30pm

Forest Church: Sunday 26th January, 3pm

Sunday Space: Sunday 5th January, 10am

Messy Church: Saturday 11th January, 3pm

NOTICEBOARD—DATES & INFORMATION

- It's **Compline online** this evening. The link is here:
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79909507868?pwd=d2jTSgfja1VjT4xf5o8aHETYz kfQS6.1> and you can download an order of service from the website.
- As always, Alan Hammond will be glad to receive your **used stamps**, and postcards used or mint, for the charity collection – please leave them in the box in the Narthex.

- **Carols by Candlelight Friday 20th December @ 7.00pm in the Church**
Carols by Candlelight will take place again in the church where we will gather for an evening of carols, readings and music plus mulled wine and mince pies. As we shall be sitting for some time, you may like to bring a cushion! All are invited to come and anybody who would like to contribute their own song, musical interlude, reading, poem etc. is very welcome to do so. Please let Nick Manning know beforehand on 01483 429428 or Nick.manning@uwclub.net
- We're intending to run an **Enquirer's Course** for anyone interested in finding out more about faith in the New Year. 'Treasure in the Field' will be held from 7 – 8.30pm on five Monday evenings from January 13th and will include a simple meal each time. Experience shows that there's nothing like a personal invitation, so if you know anyone who might perhaps be on the edges of the Church and interested in finding out more about Christian life, do pass the details on and encourage them to contact James.
- "Years ago before Covid, we used to have a **Big Church Clean**, one before Easter and the other before Christmas. We would like to revive this custom. Can you come and help on the morning of the 14th December? There will be Mince Pies and coffee to sustain you. Do bring any favourite cleaning items you like to use, protective gloves, eco cloths, dusters, we have the basics. This will happen between 9-12noon. Pop in for however long you can spare, bearing in mind the enthusiastic Traffic Wardens these days."
- **Christmas Flowers.** The flower fund is depleted so we have a plate out for donations for Christmas flowers. It will be good if the church can look its best for all those who will come to visit us over the Christmas season.
- **Breakfast after 8am Holy Communion** on Sunday 29th December 2024. Please can you arrange to add this to the weekly notice sheets from Sunday 1st December and for the following 3 weeks. Please can members of the congregation let me know if they hope to attend, it will help with numbers. – *David Biesley*
- "From this week my day off reverts to **Thursday** as usual, so I am working on Monday 9th and off on Thursday 12th. You'll hear more about the Youth Catalyst Launchpad training I attended in the coming weeks." – *James*

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The Parish Office is being staffed on Mondays at the moment but calls and emails are always monitored and will be replied to as soon as possible: 01483 426353

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