



Welcome

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

Sunday 28th December – First of Christmas/Holy Innocents

8.00am	Holy Eucharist
10.00am	Parish Eucharist
Readings	Isaiah 63.7-9 Matthew 2.13-18
Hymns	486 427 641 521 700

Introit: While quiet silence lay over all things, and night was in the midst of her swift course, from your royal throne O Lord, down from heaven leapt your almighty Word. (Wisdom 18)

Collect (Prayer for the Day): Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer: Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday 4th January 2026 – Second of Christmas

8.00am	Holy Eucharist
10.00am	Sunday Space
6.30pm	Sung Eucharist
Readings	Ephesians 1.3-14 John 1.10-18
Hymns (EH)	486 427 641 521 700

Next: Sunday Space: Sunday 4th January, 10am
Coffee Morning: Saturday 10th January, 10am
Messy Church: Saturday 10th January, 3pm
Compline: Sunday 11th January, 7.30pm
Forest Church: Sunday 25th January, 3pm

Prayer Suggestions

The World:	The wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Yemen, & Congo; the Gaza ceasefire; recovery after the Jamaican hurricane; elections in Kosovo, Myanmar and the Central African Republic
The Global Church:	The Church of Burundi, and its Archbishop Sixbert Macumi
The Diocese:	The Board of Finance
The Deanery:	The parishes of Elstead & Thursley, Shackleford & Peper Harrow, and Hannah Moore the incumbent
The Parish:	The Police & Magistrates, especially local PCs and PCSOs

Those who are sick or in need of prayer

Peter Wilson Irene Malden

Those who have recently died

Elizabeth Wilson

Anniversaries of death

Joyce Grabiec Peter Wilding Thomas Greenland
Gwyn Keen Nellie Edwards John Tickner

Within the Parish

Sunday	Brocks Close
Monday	Broadwater Lane
Tuesday	Brookfield
Wednesday	Catteshall Lane
Thursday	Catteshall Hatch
Friday	Catteshall Road
Saturday	Cherry Tree Lane

Church Calendar this week

S 28 CHRISTMAS 1; The Holy Innocents; Octave of Christmas day 4
M 29 St Thomas Becket, archbishop, martyr, 1170; Octave of Christmas day 5
T 30 Octave of Christmas day 6
W 31 Octave of Christmas day 7; Bd John Wycliffe, priest, 1384
T 1 Circumcision of Christ
F 2 SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzus, doctors of the Church, 379 & 389;
St Seraphim of Sarov, monk, 1833; Bd Samuel Azariah, bishop, 1945; Holy
Name of Jesus
S 3
S 4 CHRISTMAS 2

This Week

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Monday 29th	Organ practice	8.15am	Church
Tuesday 30th	Slimming World	9.30am, 5.30 & 7pm	Church Room
	Midweek Eucharist	10.30am	Lady Chapel
Wednesday 31st	Organ practice	8.15am	Church
Saturday 3rd	Organ practice	9.15am	Church

NOTICEBOARD—DATES & INFORMATION

- **Christmas Services & Events.** Thank you everyone who contributed in any way to our Christmas services and events. It was a joyful, blessed experience.
- 'The next **Hearing Aid session** will be on January the 8th, the second Thursday in the month. The first Thursday falls on New Year's Day which is a Bank Holiday' – Sue
- The 1120 service didn't really work but in January we're trialling something different – a **board-games afternoon** for 'families and others' with tea and cake and a spiritual element. The first outing will be at 4pm on January 18th. Speak to Gertrud Sollars if you want to find out more.
- Also beginning on January 19th is the **Enquirers Course** 'Treasure in the Field' – the format is a meal, short video, and discussion. We have one taker but need a couple more! Do tell anyone who might be interested in finding out more about the Christian faith. That might even be you in which case speak to James!
- Please note **James is on leave** this coming week, Monday 29th – Friday 2nd. The Tuesday eucharist will be offered by Camilla White.

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Rector—Rev'd James Rattue: 01483 860709

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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