



## SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017

8.00am Holy Communion  
 9.45am Parish Eucharist  
 11.15am Informal Service  
 6.30pm Evensong

We welcome everyone at our services. Families, please make use of children's corner at the back of the church. Sunday school meets in Church House during the Eucharist in term time. Morning Prayer is said Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays at 8.30am (entry by St. George's door). Evening Prayer is said at 5pm in the Crypt on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays.

### THIS WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	5.30 – 9.00pm	Bell peal by Minster Ringers
	6.00pm	Minster Governors meet - Lounge
<b>Tuesday</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
<b>Wednesday</b>	11.00am	Holy Communion – Victoria Hospital
	1.30pm	Meditation Group – Crypt
	7.00pm	'Aspects of Spirituality' - Minster
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion
	9.30-11am	Two by Two meets – Hall
	11.00am	Holy Communion – Streets Meadow
<b>Friday</b>	7.00-9.45pm	Wimborne Choral rehearsal - Minster
	11.00am	Holy Communion – St Margaret's
	12 -1.30pm	Lunch and Chat - Hall
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am	New Horizons Prayers
	2-5.00pm	Wimborne Choral rehearsal
	7.30pm	Wimborne Choral Concert

### NEXT SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017 CHRIST THE KING

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.45am	Parish Eucharist with Ministry of Healing
11.30am	Baptisms of Eva Steel and Oscar Leake
6.30pm	Evensong

## MINSTER MATTERS

**THE SICK:** We pray for those known to us who are sick and suffering: Jane Davidson, Jean Dawson, Eleanor Dunningham, Miriam Ansell, Shirley Strickland, Edward, Bel Sharp, Eileen Wellstead, David Jeremiah. Also recently departed: Phyllis Dean.

**Flowers at the altar today are sponsored by Sheila Soper, giving thanks for 70 years of life, filled with many blessings.**

**Brenda is at Witchampton this morning.**

The Friends hold their annual tea party this afternoon in the Hall.

**Our 'Aspects of Spirituality' series continued on Wednesday, with a lively contribution from Gerry Lynch, director of Communications for the Diocese. Professor George Smith speaks next week on 'Science and Spirituality' with the ancillary title 'The care and maintenance of a small planet'.**

**Tickets are on sale in the office. CDs of the talks, priced at £1.25 each, can also be ordered from the office.**

**Andrew Patrick, Mike Dodds and Bob Tarring** are being commissioned as Lay Worship leaders on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** at **St. Michael's at 7.30pm**. Please let the office know if you would like to attend to support our candidates, as refreshments will be provided after the service, and St. Michaels' would like numbers.

**Greenbelt Group Meeting – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November – 11.15am to 12.30pm in St. George's Chapel:** After the 9.45am service, everyone is warmly invited to join our Amnesty Write for Rights card and letter-writing campaign in support of people around the world whose basic human rights are being attacked. Everything necessary will be available. Every year, real change happens because of these letters. Come and be part of the Advent call for the 'release of prisoners'.

**Advent Procession: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 6.30pm:** As usual, we will need four volunteers who are happy moving around in limited light, to read the lessons. Please see the blue folder on the Vergers' desk. Thank you. **Brenda.**

There will also be an Advent Service of Light at 6pm on Advent Sunday at the beautiful rural setting of Chalbury Church, to which everyone is

**Postmen (and women) needed!** The **Minster Christmas cards**, detailing all the Christmas services, will be in church on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** ready for distribution. Lots of help is needed to deliver them to all the roads in the parish, and if you feel you can assist, whether you live in the parish or not, they will be ready to collect from the porch on 3rd. Many thanks. **Outreach Committee.**

After the recent Eco Fair, there were still a number of people wanting to donate IT equipment. We have arranged with the **Donate-It** team to return to **Church House on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December** between **2.30 and 3.30pm**, or, for anyone who cannot make that time, we can collect on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**, again at

**Church House**, between **10.30am and 12 noon**, and hold items for Donate-It. **50%** of proceeds to **Hilfield Friary**. **Linda Bunting** [lindaebunting@aol.com](mailto:lindaebunting@aol.com)

Please let Donna know before the end of November if you would like to order 'Guidelines' or 'New Daylight' - daily Bible reading notes.

*There are a few copies in the shop of 'The Birth of Christ', a cantata re-telling the complete story of Christmas with music by Roger Hewetson and narration by David Suchet.. Possibly a Christmas gift at £12.99? Donna will order extra copies if needed.*

The Minster Tourism Committee is conducting a Visitor Survey to help us fine-tune our publicity. Forms and a collecting box are on the table in the Minster.

**Car Parking for events at the Minster in November and December 2017**  
Please see interregnum news and Churchwardens update

**Following the Archdeacon's recent sermon, we are reproducing the 7 commitments we as members of the Minster undertook 12 years ago:**

I commit myself to live as a disciple of Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit, to the glory of God the Father. I promise to

- Pray daily
- Read the Bible regularly
- Attend public worship faithfully
- Commend the Christian faith by word and deed
- Fashion my life according to the example of Christ
- Give and forgive as generously as God has given to and forgiven me
- Promote Christian Unity

## **WIMBORNE AND AROUND THE AREA**

The lights on the **Christmas Tree in The Square** and throughout the Town will be switched on at **4.30pm next Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> November**. The Revd Gwyneth Owen will be offering a thought and a prayer on this occasion. A day of activities is planned before the switch-on – details on posters around the Town. Please join in to get the festive season off to a good start.

The **Friends of Victoria Hospital** are organising a **flower demonstration** by **Elizabeth Witcomb**, one of the team of flower arrangers chosen to represent Dorset, who won a gold medal at Chelsea this year. The demonstration will take place on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November** at the **Community Learning and Resource Centre, 7 for 7.30pm**. A raffle of arrangements will be held afterwards. Tickets, to include a glass of wine and nibbles, available from the **Friends' Shop** or from **Rae** on **01202 889881**. Please come along to support your local hospital.

**The Food Bank** stock is currently much improved due to a tremendously generous response from donors. Please consult the list in the box, remembering that food

needs to be **long life**, with at least **six months before the sell by date**. No food from the refrigerated sections in the supermarket please, as we cannot store it..

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December** sees the **29<sup>th</sup> Save the Children Fund Christmas Parade**. It can however only go ahead with enough Road Marshals. It starts at **2.15pm** and help is needed **2 until 4.00pm**. **Anthony Oliver 01202 888703**.

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