



# Wimborne Minster

## News and Information



### SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2020 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Services in The Minster

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Parish Communion
6.30pm	Advent Carols (pre-booked places only)

Numbers are limited in the Minster with measures in place to control the risk of coronavirus transmission. Please maintain social distance at all times and please follow any instructions given. In accordance with Government guidance, **face coverings must be worn** in The Minster.

The Churchwardens wish to politely remind members of the congregation to **strictly observe the social distancing** guidelines whilst attending services. Only two in a pew is permitted, either one person at either end of the pew or one couple. Also please **refrain from walking around** to chat to other members of the congregation before the service. If you have a cold or feel unwell please do not come to church.

The **Minster Readings and Prayers** and orders of service for the week are available on the website <http://www.wimborneminster.org.uk/publications.html>

### THIS WEEK

<b>Monday to Saturday</b>	8.30am	Morning Prayer (on Zoom)
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer (on Zoom)
	10.30-3.30	Cards for Good Causes in Church House
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	Agape Home Communion (on Zoom)
	12 – 4pm	Minster open for Private Prayer

### NEXT SUNDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Parish Communion
11.15am	Minster Praise (on Zoom)
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

## MINSTER MATTERS

**THE SICK:** *We pray for the sick and suffering: Josephine Ruty, Gill Montia, Phyllis Packer, Marjorie Brown, Chris, Fiona, Minna Harvey, Rory Ferguson, Edna Wellbeloved, David Muchmore, Dela Woodcock, Macaulay Smith, Jonathan Wood, Phyllis Wood, John Adams, Evie Baker.*

*Also the long term sick: Mike Hales, Joan Roopnarine, Beryl Sexton, Shirley Strickland, Ann Tame, Terry & Dawn, Elizabeth Dodd.*

*We remember the recently departed: Joan Leese*

The Sunday 9.30am and 6.30pm services will be **broadcast live on YouTube**. To watch this, click on the **picture link on the Minster Home page** and then click on the required service. Alternatively, to access this week's service on-line, open your YouTube Application and search for **Wimborne Minster Official 2020 12 06**. The service will not be visible until the broadcast has started. If you do not find it, refresh your search closer to the start time of the service.

For details of how to join a service via Zoom, please see the link on our website or contact the Parish Office.

If you missed last Sunday's sermon or would like to hear it again please use this link for a recording on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AWjrETPfbLk>

The family of Joan Leese would like the Minster family to know that sadly Joan has died aged 90. Joan and Geoff were involved in the life of the Minster for about 20 years , 1991 to 2006. Joan was a Broderer and worked on a number of the kneelers until around 2016. The family have tried to contact everyone from Joan's address book. The funeral will be private but should anyone like to make a donation in thanksgiving for Joan's life, this can be done through O'Hara Funeral Directors for the MND Association.

**Greenbelt Group this Sunday 6 December 4.00 – 5.00pm.** We'll be having our annual **Write for Rights** session on line this year, writing messages of solidarity and appeal on behalf of human rights defenders around the world, using material from Amnesty International. From the comfort of your own home, hear about some individual cases, have guidance and support from others and write your messages. If you're not on the Greenbelt mailing list and would like to take part or require more information, please contact **Rosemary Lunt at lunt@gmx.com** for details of online resources (such as sample letters), what stationery to have with you and the Zoom link. We're looking forward to welcoming you to this interactive session!

**Cards for Good Causes** will be open Monday to Saturday, 10.30am – 3.30pm in Church House Lounge.

The **Parish Office** in Church House **is closed** to visitors but we are working and checking emails and phone messages.

We now have a **Christmas Tree** in The Minster. Many thanks to all those who made a donation towards the cost of this tree.

There are a few **Festive Face Coverings** which have been kindly donated to be sold for Church funds. These are in festive colours and available in ladies and gents sizes. If you would like one please speak to a churchwarden. Minimum donation **£4.00** per mask.

The ability to transmit our Services, and other activities, to YouTube is enabling the Minster to outreach to not only our own congregation, who are unable to come to the Minster, but also to many others not only in Wimborne but also across the world. Currently the Cameras are operated by one of two people who have, over the last two months, learnt from their mistakes. Gordon and Antony are keen to extend the number of people who know how to operate the cameras. They will offer training and provide you with a 'How to do it' booklet. So **please come and join the 'AV TEAM'** and be part of evolving this additional way of outreaching to others. Please **contact Gordon via the Parish Office** to find out more and then, hopefully, arrange your individual training sessions.

**Walking 900:** On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December Chris Sloccock will complete his 900 laps to mark the 900<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Minster Building. He will be joined by The Bishop of Sherborne The Right Revd Karen Gorham, The Rector of Wimborne Minster the Revd Canon Andrew Rowland, the Town Mayor and Mayoress Cllr Shane and Mrs Tracey Bartlett and the Town Crier Chris Brown. You can support Chris and the Appeal at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/900timesaroundtheminster> or by leaving a donation in an envelope in the Church House Letterbox clearly marked Chris Sloccock, Walking 900 Minster Makes Music Appeal.

Over the last few years, the Sunday School have filled **shoe boxes for the homeless** in Dorset as part of the Mayor's charity. Stephanie is hoping to repeat the project again this year and wonders if any members of our church family would be interested in contributing. Please contact [stephanie.shimmons@sky.com](mailto:stephanie.shimmons@sky.com) or on **07801 445998** for details on how you can help. Many thanks.

It is with a heavy heart that the organisers of **Carols in the Cornmarket**, have to advise that the event cannot take place this year due in the main to the large number of people who would usually gather for this magical event in the restricted confines of the Cornmarket. All being well we will be back next year and so book the date in your diaries now, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021. **Anthony Oliver**

## LOCAL NEWS

**Food Bank** - This week we need - Rice, Coffee, Custard, Washing up Liquid, Washing pods / gel, Men's Deodorant, Primula Cheese Squeezy Spread, Packets of Instant Mash & Packets of Vegetable Soup and any Christmas items. Please ensure that the dates do go up to Christmas and beyond. As well as the locations previously mentioned for leaving donations there is also the Witchampton Shop. Thank you so much for your continued support. **Sue Slydel.**

Donations for the Foodbank cannot be accepted at The Minster at present.

Why not visit Wimborne's **Fairtrade** shop, **Fair Ground**, in the Cornmarket. Open Monday - Saturday 10.00am-4.00pm. Or order on line for click and collect at <https://shopappy.com/wimborne/fair-ground/> We look forward to welcoming you.

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