

### 10<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – Advent Sunday

Welcome! Especially to Jayden-Lee Freeman, Arthur Edward Rudge & Samuel Wasley-Allen who are being Baptised today at St Peter's, Clearwell.

| Place                      | This Week   | Next Week                                 |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| All Saints <b>Newland</b>  | 9.30am Euch AW  | 4pm Evensong BE                           |
| All Saints <b>Staunton</b> | No Service  | No Service                                |
| St J's @ St MM Coleford    | 9.30am Word CH  | 9.30am Eucharist AW                       |
| Good Shepherd B'well       | 11am Eucharist BC   | No service AM<br>4pm Parish Carol Service |
| St Peter's Clearwell       | 11am Baptism Service<br>4pm Wedding Celebration<br>and Carol service AW | 11am Euch AW                              |
| St Saviour's Redbrook      | 4pm AAW/ship MB   | No Service                                |

#### Readings

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|---------------------|------|------------------------------------|------|
| Isaiah 40.1-11      | 694  | Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11                 |      |
| Psalms 85.1-2,8-13* | 573  | Psalms 126 or Canticle: Magnificat |      |
| 2 Peter 3.8-15a     | 255  | 1 Thessalonians 5.16-24            |      |
| Mark 1.1-8          | 37   | John 1.6-8,19-28                   |      |

**Prayers:** In your prayers this week, please pray for: Allan Bidmead.

✠ **For the sick, anxious and housebound:** Please let Alan or Alison know names of anyone who would be happy to be added to the list. Names on this list will be removed after four appearances unless someone asks for them to remain listed. Thank you.



✠ **For those who mourn**, especially the family and friends of those who have recently died and also of Martin Horner, Doreen Kirby, Lisa Hemms & Margaret Merry whose anniversary of death falls around this time. Do please let Alan or Alison know of any prayers answered, or any changes to the lists that might be needed. Thanks.

#### Collect for today:

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 forever. **Amen.**

(or)

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and savior we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. **Amen.**

#### Post Communion:

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.**

## News and notices...

**Today 10<sup>th</sup> December @ 4pm** – Wedding Celebration and Carol Service at St Peter's Clearwell. All Welcome.

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December @ 6pm** – Joint Carol service with Roman Catholic congregation at St Margaret Mary followed by refreshments in the hall.

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December @ 4pm** – Joint Parish Carol Service @ The Good Shepherd, Broadwell. All Welcome.

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December @ 6pm** – Carols around the tree at All Saints Church, Staunton. All Welcome.

#### Christmas Services:

##### Christmas Eve

3pm – Crib and Carols service @ The Good Shepherd, Broadwell

4pm – The first Communion of Christmas @ St Saviour's, Redbrook

9pm – Eucharist service @ All Saint's, Staunton

11.30pm – Midnight Eucharist @ All Saint's, Newland

11.30pm – Midnight Eucharist @ St Margaret Mary, Coleford

11.30pm – Midnight Eucharist @ The Good Shepherd, Broadwell

##### Christmas Day

9 am – Eucharist service @ Bells Hotel, Coleford

10.30am – Eucharist Service @ The Good Shepherd, Broadwell

10.30am – Eucharist @ St Peter's, Clearwell

**Food Bank:** We are still collecting Christmas items for the foodbank.

**Craft Club** will resume at 1.30pm on Thursday 11th January 2018

**CAMEO** will resume at 2.30pm on 16th January 2018

**Saturday morning** Coffee and Chat will resume on 17th March 2018

**Birthdays:** 12<sup>th</sup> Dec Gwyneth Teppett ASS; 16<sup>th</sup> Dec Gwen Nash StJ  
Many Happy Returns and may God bless you this week, and in the year to come!

**Banns: SPC:** Matthew HODGES & Kim WYATT (Second time of asking)

#### This week's regular meetings:

Mon 11<sup>th</sup>

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> 8.15am morning prayer @ All Saints, Newland.

Weds 13<sup>th</sup> 8.30am @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell. Morning Prayer  
10am Knit and Natter - Please note change of date this month.  
7.30pm EMEP & Standing Committee Christmas Social.

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Home Communion @ Community Hall, Tufthorn.  
6pm joint Anglican and Roman Catholic Carol Service at St Margaret Mary – All welcome.

Fri 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Mid-Wyedean Clergy

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