



Mid-Wyedean Churches

Serving Coleford, Broadwell, Clearwell, Newland,
Redbrook, Staunton and surrounding areas



6th December – Advent 2

Welcome!

Time	Place	This week	Next Week
09:30	All Saints Newland	No service	AW
09:30	All Saints Staunton	SB	No service
09:30	St J's @ St MM Coleford	AW/AH (PR)	SB
11:00	Good Shepherd B'well	AW	SB
11:00	St Peter's Clearwell	SB	AW (BAP) AW 4pm Parish Carol Service – All Welcome
16:00	St Saviour's Redbrook	No service	No service

Readings

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Baruch 5.1-9 or Malachi .1-4	925	Zephaniah 3.14-20	911
Canticle: Benedictus		Canticle: Isaiah 12.2-6*	668
Philippians 1.3-11	210	Philippians 4.4-7	212
Luke 3.1-6	64	Luke 3.7-18	64

We don't tend to use the Psalms in Sunday worship - but they are a wonderful resource of the expression of joy and sorrow, praise and lament and hope. Why not look them up yourself?



Prayers

In your prayers this week, please pray for:

✠ **For the sick, anxious and housebound** - especially for Jean Samuels; Please let Sarah 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 and the family and friends of Herbert "Sonny" Harris who has recently died and also of Edna Baldwin, Edith Johns, William Brown & William Saunders whose anniversary of death falls around this time. Do please let Sarah 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 for ever. **Amen**

Or

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

News and notices...

Today - 6th December: Toy Service @ 3pm at Coleford Baptist Church. This is taking the form of a simple Nativity this year involving puppets and grown-ups! Donations of New toys (please leave unwrapped) or gift vouchers for older children/teenagers, which will be distributed by the Salvation Army to local children for Christmas, will be gratefully received as will mince pies to be served after the service. Please come along to the service and bring a New Toy to brighten up a child's face on Christmas morning!

Today - 6th December @ 4pm. St Peter's Church, Clearwell. Wedding Celebration Service for couples who have recently married in St Peter's Church.

Sunday 13th December @ 4pm Carol Service @ St Peter's, Clearwell.

Birthdays: 7-Dec Trevor Bessant, ASS; 8-Dec Geoff Cole, GS; Maurice Hale, StP; 9-Dec Audrey Jones, GS. Many Happy Returns & may God bless you on your birthday, and in the year to come!

This week/regular meetings

Mon 7

Tues 8

Weds 9

Thurs 10 @ 7.15pm @ GSB Broadwell - PCC meeting

Fri 11 @ 11am Home Communion at 1, Church Road, Clearwell

Advance dates (for more info please ask):

Thursday 17th December @ 6.30pm – Village Carols at Redbrook starting on the Village Green followed by refreshments!

Saturday 19th December @ 10am until 12 noon. Mince Pies and Coffee morning at the Good Shepherd (purely a social event not a fund raiser.) All welcome

Sunday 20th December @ 4pm Carol Service for the Coleford area @ The Good Shepherd, Broadwell

Monday 21st December @ 6pm Carols around the tree at All Saints, Staunton – All Welcome

Sunday 27th December @ 10.30am United Parish Eucharist @ The Good Shepherd. **COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICES COLEFORD CHURCHES TOGETHER** (Queries to Sally 833943)

Please join us if you can.

Thursday 10th December @ 2.30pm Parkside, **Wednesday 16th December** @ 11 am The Coombs:(organised by Baptist Church), **Monday 21st December** @ 3.30pm The Elms(Churches Together & Mindsong)

All Mid Wyedean Christmas services will be advertised in the pew sheet from next week but are now on the website.

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