

9th December 2018 – Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome!

Place	This Week	Next Week
All Saints Newland	9.30am Eucharist AW	4pm Evening prayer DH
All Saints Staunton	No Service	No Service
St J's @ St MM Coleford	9.30am Word DH	9.30am Eucharist SB
Good Shepherd B'well	11am Eucharist BC	11am Word DH
St Peter's Clearwell	11am Service SB	11am Word CY said service 4pm Carol Service
St Saviour's Redbrook	4pm AAW/ship MB	No Service

Readings

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Malachi 3.1-4	926	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

Prayers: In your prayers this week, please pray for: Jean Samuel, Doreen Beard, Cedric Morgan.

✠ For the sick, anxious and housebound:

Please let Sarah 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. Do please let Alan or Alison know of any prayers answered, or any changes to the lists that might be needed. Thank you.



✠ **For those who mourn** Especially David Hepburn & his family and also the family and friends of Margaret Pheasey who has recently died and the family and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls around this time.

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 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...

Food Bank: The food bank is running very low on stock. Remember you can donate items here at Church on the Street. All types of food are needed especially Christmas goodies that we all take for granted but unfortunately a lot of people cannot afford to buy. If at all possible donations of Christmas things need to be here by the end of the second week of December at the latest to enable the food bank to distribute them.

Salvation Army Christmas appeal: The Salvation Army are having their usual Christmas Appeal for New toys to make sure that all children in the area receive a present on Christmas morning. There is much more demand on them for help this year due to the rolling out of Universal Credit so please consider donating a present for a child for Christmas. The only stipulation is that the toy/game is **New & unwrapped** so they can see what the toy is. Donations can be made at Church on the Street and I will ensure that they get up to the Salvation Army in plenty of time for Christmas.

Christmas Dinner on the House – The Robin Hood in Monmouth is opening its doors on Christmas day for those who are in need of a warm meal, company and fun. People from the Forest of Dean who are home alone, homeless or struggling to put a meal on the table are invited to come along for a full Christmas Carvery on the House. There is a poster in each of our Churches with more details.

Thursday 13th December @ 2.30pm Carol Service at the Community Centre, Tufthorn - all are welcome.

Tuesday 18th December @ 2.15pm at Church on the Street. Christmas story telling and songs for the under 5s.

Tuesday 18th December @ 6pm Joint Carol Service with the Roman Catholic congregation at St Margaret Mary, High Nash.

Wednesday 19th December @ 5pm Community Carol Singing at the Clock Tower. All Welcome. Bring a friend - the more the merrier!

Birthdays: 9th Dec Audrey Jones GSB. Many Happy Returns and may God bless you this week, and in the year to come!

Banns: SPC

This week's regular meetings:

Mon 10th 8.45am Morning Prayer @ Church on the Street

Tues 11th 8.15am Morning Prayer today @ All Saints Newland.

Weds 12th 8.30am @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell. Morning Prayer.

11.30am @ Good Shepherd. Funeral of Margaret Pheasey.

Thurs 13th No Craft Group today at The Good Shepherd. Group resumes on 17th Jan.

Fri 14th 11am Home Communion @ 1 Church Road, Clearwell. All welcome.

Sat 15th 10am Coffee and Chat @ St Margaret Mary Hall. All Welcome.

Future Dates for your diaries:

Christmas service times across the parish can be found in the magazine this month and also in your churches.

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