

SUNDAY 29th November 2020

First Sunday of Advent

TODAY'S SERVICES

10 AM: Streamed Sung Eucharist (Fr Colin) on our website / YouTube

A reminder of how to view the livestream of the service for the next few weeks

To access via our website (via your laptop/desktop computer/tablet) you go here: <http://www.stgeorgesnews.org/resources.html>

To access via YouTube on your TV, search for St George's Church Waterlooville and you will find a link to the next service.

If you are watching YouTube on a laptop or computer then the link is

here: https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=st+george%27s+church+waterlooville

Hymns – Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending
God of Mercy, God of Grace

Motet – Advent Message (*How*)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. 'Keep alert', says the Lord; 'for you do not know when the time will come.' Alleluia, alleluia.

Birthdays this week: Eve Inwood; Sue Hodgens; Pat Phillips; John Dickie.

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Tuesday 1st December

7.30 PM: Quiz Night via Zoom (please let Shirley Vann know if you would like to join in - s.vann@stgeorges.church)

Wednesday 2nd December

10 AM: Said Eucharist (Fr Colin) *at St George's Church* and streamed on our website / YouTube

Readings Next Week

Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

A Message from Fr Colin re Church Opening

I am sure that like myself you will all be delighted that from Wednesday 2nd December we can come together as a community of faith for public worship. On that day I will celebrate the Eucharist in the main body of the church, and hope that many of you will be able to join with me. Of course, there are restrictions on us, very much the same as before. You will need to book a place for each service by emailing me on parishpriest@stgeorges.church or by ringing the Parish Office on 02392 258079 and leaving a message. As before your temperature will need to be taken as you enter the church, and you will be asked to sanitise your hands. You will also be required to wear a face covering. Numbers will be limited, and you will need to be socially distant from those outside of your household or bubble.

The Eucharist will be celebrated at 8AM and 10 AM every Sunday and at 10AM on a Wednesday from the end of the lockdown on Wednesday 2nd December. Both the 10 AM Sunday and Wednesday services will continue to be livestreamed.

Christmas Services

Given the restrictions it is unlikely that we will be able to have all of our usual Christmas services, and we might have to be creative in the way we will use livestreaming for additional services. More details will follow.

Tier Two

You will be aware that at the moment the whole of Hampshire (excluding the Isle of Wight) has been put into Tier Two. From the perspective of our church services the additional tier two restrictions state that we can meet for worship, but people should not socialise with those outside of their household. This is very much the same as before. Similarly weddings with no more than 15 guests can take place, as can funerals (with a limit of 30). There are, of course, further restrictions for non-worship activities, which I am sure you are aware of.

I will make sure you are kept updated as things become clearer.

Love and prayers

Fr Colin

Christmas Raffle

Can you please consider buying some tickets in the raffle? It's very easy to buy online.....use ST GEORGE'S FUND RAISERS Sort code 30 99 20 Account 01182474, or by cheque in the mail or in an envelope into the church post box at the side of the hall (ramp side).

Please remember that this is our **main** fundraiser to compensate for no bazaar this year. Let's make it big!!! Any questions, please call Tony Rice-Oxley on 07831 111970. Thank you.

Havant Passion Play (HPP)

Starting today (29th November), HPP will be uploading a short video onto Facebook and YouTube every day up to Christmas Day. Each video is a character from the Nativity telling you their own memory of the part they played in the Christmas story. You can access it through their website

<http://www.havantpassionplay.org.uk/advent-calendar/> or you can search for them on YouTube using 'HPP – Living Advent Calendar. There are several trailers available already to watch to give you a taster.

Look out for members of our congregation, Iain Renfrew and Sonja Barrant, who will both be appearing in some of the videos!

Parish Quiz

The next quiz will be held on Tuesday 1st December at 7.30pm on Zoom. Please note the earlier start time.

Remembering Those Who Need Our Prayers This Week

Shelley Lazlett, Geoff, Anna Chapman, Christopher, Hillary, Madison, Amy, Carmell, Pete, Christine, Sandra Hewett, Margaret Cavey, John Haughton, Martin, June Webster, Annie Sharp, Howe Sae Kang, Sandra Honey, Jon, Norman Linney, Sara, Valerie Davies, Danielle Biggs, Beina, Mark Howard, Rita Heath, Noel, Susan Wilding, Priscilla Barlow and John Williamson.

We Remember Maurice Stevenson and Joyce Wilkes who have died recently, and Jazmin Adamson, Audrey Cole, Jackie Strickland, Robert Fletcher and Annie Mann whose anniversaries fall at this time.



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