

FOR YOUR DIARIES



Thursday 13th December – 7.00 for 7.30pm

Beer and Carols at the Old Mill.

Come and join us as we enjoy a pint and a sing-a-long to our favourite carols and Christmas songs. Everyone is welcome. (Scratch choir rehearsal for this event will take place in All Saints on Saturday 8th December at 10.30am).

Sunday 16th December

Carol singing at Willowcroft - 4.00pm.



Wednesday 19th December

Carols at Harnham Croft - 2.30pm. Brympton - 4.00pm.

Sunday 23rd December

Carol Service at All Saints - 6.30pm.

Crib Services All Saints. Christmas Eve at 2.30pm and 4.00pm. Children welcome to come dressed as a Nativity Character.

Blue Christmas – Christmas Eve – 7.00pm at St.George’s.

Reflections, music and a quiet space for those who find Christmas difficult.

Midnight Mass – Christmas Eve – 11.30pm at St.George’s.

Christmas Day – Family Christmas Communion.

9.30am at St.George’s. 11.00am at All Saints.

Remembering Stars

Christmas is a difficult time for many people especially for those who have lost loved ones either through death or because they are missing. We are planning to decorate trees with stars in the churchyards again for Christmas so that this group of people can add named memories on stars and place them on the tree.

Scout Christmas Stamps

If you have forgotten to mail your Christmas Cards through the Scout Christmas Post, then you have until Friday. There are post boxes in the Scout Hut and Ayleswade Road Corner Shop.



First Sunday of Advent
Sunday 2nd December 2018

Communion. All are invited. If you would prefer a prayer of blessing, please bring a book with you. If you would like to receive communion in your pew please let a sides-person know before we begin.

Financial gifts to the church can be gift-aided! Please use the gift aid envelopes. There will be a collection during the offertory hymn towards the work of the Parish. 5% of this collection will support other Christian charities.

COLLECT:

**Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. AMEN.**

READINGS: Jeremiah 33: 14-16 (P749)
 Luke 21: 25-36 (P82)

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Would you please PRAY for:

- ❖ the Diocesan Communications team.
- ❖ the Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain.
- ❖ the Episcopal churches in South Sudan and Sudan in particular the Archbishop and Primate, the Most Revd Justin Badi Arama.
- ❖ all the parishes in the Dorchester Deanery.
- ❖ the Harnham Neighbourhood Association.
- ❖ all Refugee and asylum seekers.
- ❖ those who live in Christopher Close and Harvard Close.
- ❖ those who are sick, and all who care for them especially Ann Baker, Sue Barnes, Marion Webb, Rachel Woods, Angela Mould, Bob Pearce and Revd Simon Wilkinson.
- ❖ those who have died especially Jean Poat, David Nickol, Sarah Turner and William Jackaman.

David Nickols died peacefully in his sleep in the early hours of 25.11.2018. Our thoughts and prayers are especially with Ayesha. His funeral is likely to take place on the morning of Monday 17th December more details will be communicated at a later date.

One donation – twice the impact!

Alabare is hoping to raise £62,500 this for various projects. Between 27th November and 4th December every £1 donated will be doubled because of the generosity of a donor. The donations have to be deposited **by means of credit card or debit card only** with The**BigGive**.org.uk by 12.00pm. on 4th December.

A big thank you!

Thank you for your welcome, wisdom, kindness and generosity during my time here in Harnham. I have loved being here and getting to know you all, and we will miss you. Thank you too for the lovely goodbye drinks and cake last Sunday, as well as the cards and wonderful Fair Trade hamper, flowers, Mothercare, John Lewis and Waterstones vouchers that you presented me. They are very much appreciated. With love & prayers, Revd Heather.

PARISH DIARY

TODAY - 2nd December 2018

- 2.30pm GDPR Meeting in the Parish Hall.
6.00pm Pop Up Youth Event in the Parish Hall.

MONDAY - 3rd December 2018

- 9.30am 3B's in the Parish Hall.
10.00am Quiet Morning in the Cathedral Trinity Chapel.
7.30pm Social Committee Meeting at 21 Bouverie Avenue.

TUESDAY - 4th December 2018

- 9.15am Morning Prayer at All Saints.
12noon Prayers for those affected by Gender based violence at the Cathedral.
2.00pm Bible Study at 20 Middle Street.
7.30pm Advent Meditations and Compline at St. George's.

WEDNESDAY - 5th December 2018

- 9.15am Morning Prayer at St. George's.
9.30am St. George's Toddlers in the Parish Hall.

THURSDAY - 6th December 2018

- 10.00am Communion Service at St. George's.
2.30pm MU Christmas Service and Tea in the Parish Hall.

SATURDAY - 8th December 2018

- 10.00am Coffee at All Saints.
10.30am Beer and Carols Choir practice in All Saints Church.

SUNDAY - 9th December 2018

- 8.00am Communion at All Saints (BCP).
9.30am Communion at St. George's.
3.00pm Messy Church in the Parish Hall.

CHRISTMAS CARDS Today in church there are our usual Christmas cards to be delivered to all the residents in Harnham. Please could you help by delivering a road near you? Just pick up a pack and deliver them. Thank you.