

Sunday 9th December, 2018

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The deadline for notices in the pew leaflet is midday Wednesdays.

Canon Graham will be holding open office for anyone who wishes to meet with him, every Monday evening at The Parish Office between 5:00pm and 7:00pm.

New opening hours for Parish Office: As from Monday 3rd December the Parish office will be only open to the public from 11.00am until 1.00pm. Mondays to Fridays. Enquiries by phone 9.00am until 1.00pm as normal. Many thanks.

Advent Group: We are running a 4 week advent group in the Crown in Cirencester continuing on 10th and 17th December at 8pm. It is aimed at men, but female attendance will be welcomed!! We shall be following the themes of Roots, Reminders, Road and Radiance! If you are interested in joining us for those 4 weeks, can you email me at paulspringate36@gmail.com. I shan't hold you to it, but it would give me an idea of how big a table to commandeer!

Mothers' Union: Our Christmas meal this year is on Wednesday December 19th in Watermoor Church Hall 7 for 7.30pm, price £19. At great expense we have managed to book 'Cupcake & Crumble' for our after dinner entertainment! Menu choices are available from Kathie Cottey at Watermoor Church or 01285 654038 or pcottey@talktalk.net
Kathie

Restore@4: You are welcome to Restore@4 in HTW on Sunday 16th Dec at 4pm. A time of relaxed worship, teaching and prayer to *restore our souls!*

Auctioneer wanted! As you know, the Christmas Tree Festival is now running. Unfortunately some of our sponsors are too busy to take their Christmas Tree out of church and we are left with them. I am looking for someone who is prepared to be around on Friday, 14th December, who is willing to give a couple of hours - you choose the time - to auction any abandoned trees, I would be so grateful if they could get in touch with me. I will make sure the Wilts. Gloss Standard mention it too! With thanks Cate Luck 658021

Boxing Day "Leftovers" lunch: On Wednesday 26th December after the 12 noon Eucharist at the Parish church there will be a bring and share leftovers lunch. Please come along and join us.
Canon Graham

Mince Pies: May I appeal to your generosity? We need lots of mince pies (shop bought) for Saturday 22nd December. Please drop them in at the Parish church vestry or the parish centre. Your contributions will really be appreciated.

Canon Graham.

The 10am service on Sunday 6 January will be a Parish Service at Holy Trinity Church. (there will not be a 10:00 am service at the Parish Church or the 10.30am service at St Lawrence.) The service will mark the final service in the Parish of Canon Howard as he prepares to assume his new position as Rector of Minchinhampton with Box. The service will be followed by coffee in the hall and then a “Bring and Share” lunch in the church (bring your own drink!). Please put the date in your diary and join the Holy Trinity congregation. Additionally if you would like to contribute to a leaving gift for Canon Howard and family then please place your donation in an appropriately marked, sealed envelope and drop it in to the Parish Office or give it to one of the Wardens.

Peter Cottey (on behalf of the Holy Trinity Wardens)

Fr. Howard’s Leaving and Licensing Services: Advance dates for the diary: Fr. Howard’s Last Service – see item above. Fr. Howard’s Licensing Service is Saturday 26th January at 3pm in Holy Trinity, Minchinhampton.

Small keyboard required: A young lady who is bed bound and loves her music is looking for a small keyboard and it would be wonderful if someone who does not use theirs any more could donate it to her. Please call me on 01285 658021

Cate Luck

Christmas Greetings to people in prison: ACAT (Action by Christians against Torture) have published their list of people to send cards to, please take a name and address if you would like to do this, and follow the instructions given. Postage is £1.25 to Europe, £1.45 to the rest of the world. It means a great deal to them to know they are not forgotten, thank you!

Christingle making: Please come and help make the Christingles for our lovely Christingle service (6pm Christmas Eve at Holy Trinity Watermoor.) We will be meeting to make them on Saturday 22nd December 10am in Watermoor church hall. Coffee and mince pies provided and toys out for little ones. *Fiona Hawes*

Church Shop volunteer needed: We are in need of a volunteer to help in the church shop on Wednesday afternoons from 1.00pm until 2.30pm. You would be working along side one of our other volunteers and full training will be giving. Please come and join us and meet lots of interesting visitors to the church.

Caroline and Bron Church Shop Managers. 01285 659317

This Sunday's Services (9th December)

The First Sunday of Advent

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Parish Church

8.00am Holy Communion Revd Canon Graham Morris
10:00am All Age Service Revd Julian Wilson
With Revd Canon Graham Morris

Holy Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion Revd Penny Light
10:00am Eucharist Revd Canon Karen Schmidt
6:00pm Carol Service Revd Canon Howard Gilbert

St. Lawrence

10:30am Eucharist Revd Paul Springate

Next Sunday's Services (16th December)

Third Sunday of Advent

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Parish Church

8.00am Holy Communion Revd Canon Howard Gilbert
10:00am Eucharist Revd Canon Dr Philip Thomas
6:00pm Evensong Revd Canon Graham Morris
With Revd Katie Richardson

Holy Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion Revd Paul Springate
10:00am Nativity Service Revd Canon Graham Morris
With Revd Canon Howard Gilbert
4:00pm Restore@4 Revd Paul Springate

St. Lawrence

10:30am Eucharist Revd Penny Light

Readings for next Sunday 16th December

Third Sunday of Advent,

Zephaniah 3. 14 - end

Philippians 4. 4 - 7

Luke 3. 7 - 18

Weekly Services at St John Baptist (Parish Church)

Morning Prayer – 9:00 am. Eucharist – 12 noon
(in different chapels throughout the week, please see diary below)

Evening Prayer – 4:00 pm

Dates for the next week

Monday 10th December:

9:00am Christmas Tree Festival (Parish Church)
9:30am Organ Practice (Parish Church)
10:30am Rendcomb College setting up (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (Trinity Chapel, Parish Church)
1:00pm Rendcomb College Rehearsal (Parish Church)
3:00pm Rendcomb College Carol Service (Parish Church)
7:00pm Cirencester Male Voice Choir (Parish Church)

Tuesday 11th December:

9:00am Christmas Tree Festival (Parish Church)
10:00am Deer Park School setting up (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (Catherine Chapel, Parish Church)
1:30pm Deer Park Rehearsals (Parish Church)
6:30pm Deer Park Carol Concert (Parish Church)

Wednesday 12th December:

9:00am Christmas Tree Festival (Parish Church)
9:00am Drop in (St Lawrence)
10:00am Kingshill School set up (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (Lady Chapel, Parish Church)
2:00pm Kingshill School rehearsal (Parish Church)
7:00pm Kingshill School Carol Concert (Parish Church)
7:00pm Eucharist (Holy Trinity)

Thursday 13th December: Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304

9:00am Christmas Tree Festival (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (Catherine Chapel, Parish Church)
2.00pm Little Angels (Parish Church)
2:45pm Funeral of the late Mike Pallister (Parish Church)
6:00pm Sing it (The Town Hall)
7:30pm Parish Choir Practice (Parish Church)

Friday 14th December: John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591

9:00am Christmas Tree Festival finishes (Parish Church)
9:00am Organ Tuning (Parish Church)
10:00am Funeral of the late John Plummer (Parish Church)
12:00pm Eucharist (High Altar, Parish Church)
7:00pm Cirencester Band Concert (Parish Church)

Saturday 15th December:

9:30am Organ Practice (Parish Church)
3:00pm Volunteers needed to help with Decorating the Christmas Tree
(Parish Church) Mulled wine and prayers around the tree 5pm.