

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Monday 24th December CHRISTMAS DAY	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy
	10.00am	Family Eucharist Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy
Wednesday 27th <i>John, Apostle & Evangelist</i>	10.00am	Eucharist Celebrant: Fr Jeremy
Sunday 31st		First Sunday of Christmas
	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy Crèche

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Baptism & Wedding Enquiries

Saturday 10.30 - 12.00noon by appointment only

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PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS BOYNE HILL Sunday 24th December 2017 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

You are very welcome to take this pew sheet home with you to look at the readings, and to remind you of the events taking place. The Bible references are for the Bibles to be found at the back of Church, which you are welcome to use during the service

10.00am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Service: *The Parish Eucharist in Advent*

Hymns: *Celebration Hymnal*

Celebrant: *Fr Jeremy*

Organ Prelude

Es ist ein' Ros'

R Clark

Opening Hymn

1. For Mary, Mother of our Lord,
God's holy name be praised,
who first the Son of God adored,
as on her child she gazed.

4. The busy world had got no space
or time for God on earth;
a cattle manger was the place
where Mary gave him birth.

2. Brave, holy Virgin, she believed,
though hard the task assigned,
and by the Holy Ghost conceived
the Saviour of mankind.

5. She gave her body as God's shrine,
her heart to piercing pain;
she knew the cost of love divine,
when Jesus Christ was slain.

3. God's handmaid, she at once obeyed,
by her `Thy will be done';
the second Eve love's answer made
which our redemption won.

6. Dear Mary, from your lowliness
and home in Galilee
there comes a joy and holiness
to every family.

J R Pearcey (1896—1971)

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Mary's gift beyond all telling
we recall today:
Son of God within her dwelling,
born to show the way.
Who could guess the final story?
— cross and glory; Easter Day

Mark Earey (b. 1965)

COLLECT God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. **Amen**

OT READING

2 Samuel 7: 1—11 & 16 (OT p 301)

Jeanette Lock

EPISTLE

Romans 16: 25 — end (NT p 176)

Sue Nordberg

Gradual Hymn

611 The angel Gabriel from heaven came

GOSPEL

Luke 1: 26 — 38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and

pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

Sermon *Fr Jeremy*

Offertory Hymn **57 Daily, daily, sing to Mary**

During Communion the Choir will sing *Sing of a girl with the ripening hair*

Closing Hymn **609 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!**

Organ Postlude Fantasia in F major *W A Mozart*

Refreshments will be served at the back of the Church thanks to the Hill family

4.00pm **CRIB SERVICE** *led by Fr Jeremy with Rachel Juden & Young Saints*

11.30pm **MIDNIGHT MASS** *Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy*

Father Jeremy's Notes

Pete Stringer, a much loved member of our congregation, sadly died in the early hours of Sunday 17th December. Many of us will remember Pete for his love of sport particularly cricket and football. His faith and All Saints church was an important part of his life too, and on a social basis Pete organised the annual bowling evening in Dedworth for us. These evenings were always well supported and great fun. Please remember in your prayers his family whom he loved: Sally, Catherine, Peter & Marie, Simon and Emma, David, Millie and Mark. The service for Pete will be at All Saints on at 1.00pm on Thursday 11th January.

Nine Lessons & Carols

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the wonderful service of Nine Lessons and Carols last Sunday especially Brian and Andrew who conducted the All Saints and the Minster choirs. Thanks too to Relf Clark who played the organ, the readers, the sidespersons, and those who made and served the mulled wine and mince pies.

Wishing you all a Peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year. With our love and prayers, Fr Jeremy & Monika, Churchwardens Rod and Derek

Other News

A Message from Wendy Channon

I would like to give everyone my grateful love and thanks for the wave of love, support and sympathy which I have received since Arthur died. It has proved so comforting and full of warm feelings. Blessings to you all for the coming year and beyond.

Notes from the Flower Fairies

Flowers for 2018 The Flower Rota for 2018 is on the cross aisle table and we shall be grateful if you will add your name to the week you wish to sponsor. This is a very appropriate way to remember loved ones we no longer see, and to celebrate anniversaries, birthdays etc. Sponsoring a week ensures that we are able to have flowers in the church on that Sunday and relieves the PCC Funds of any cost whatsoever. I am sure you are aware of the pleasure the flowers give to everyone and thank you for your support. **Jo & Marian**

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SHARED VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF ALL SAINTS

An inter-active meeting at All Saints School on Saturday 20th January

meet for coffee/tea and cakes at 9.00am for a 9.30am start

The planned finish time is 12 noon.

Please join us for an opportunity to help develop our Shared Vision for the future of All Saints along with the community we serve.

There is much going well at All Saints, however we also have some challenges to face in terms of the future, sustainability and our presence in the local community.

We are holding a visioning morning at All Saints School where we will meet to review where we are, where we wish to be and how we plan to get there. This will include looking at our Sunday Morning welcome, the Missional Activity being developed through PMC and the overall vision for the future.

This is an opportunity to have a real input and influence on our direction, please put the date in your diary, and sign the form at the back of the Church to aid planning for space and refreshments.

Windsor & Maidenhead Community Forum Women's Group

have an interesting programme for 2018 starting on Monday 29th January at 7.30pm at the Gurdwara in Rutland Road with the topic *What do Sikhs Believe?* See the poster at the back of Church for more info and future dates.