

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

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| <b>Tuesday 9th December</b>            | 10.15am<br>11.00am           | Toddlers' Christmas Service<br><i>Christmas Service at Boyn Grove</i>  |
| <b>Wednesday 10th</b>                  | 10.00am<br>10.00am<br>2.30pm | <b>Eucharist</b> with refreshments<br>Celebrant: Fr Neil<br><b>Open the Book</b> at Larchfield School<br>Mothers' Union Christmas Party in the Parish Centre |
| <b>Thursday 11th</b>                   | 9.00am<br>10.15am<br>7.00pm  | <b>Open the Book</b> at All Saints School<br>Toddlers' Christmas Service<br><b>Altwood School Carol Service</b>  |
| <b>Friday 12th</b>                     | 10.00am                      | <b>Tiny Saints Toddler Group</b> in the Parish Centre  |
| <b>Saturday 13th</b><br><i>St Lucy</i> | 10.00am<br>2.00pm            | <b>Morning Prayer</b><br>Mulberry Pre-school Carol Service   |
| <b>Sunday 14th</b>                     |                              | <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>  |
|  | 10.00am                      | <b>Parish Eucharist</b><br>Celebrant & Preacher:<br>The Rt Revd Andrew Proud, Bishop of Reading<br>Crèche & Young Saints                                     |
|  | 6.00pm                       | <i>Christmas Tree Festival at St Luke's</i>  |

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## PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS BOYNE HILL

### Sunday 7th December 2014 SECOND 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*

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**8.00am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)** Collect & Readings as below

**Celebrant:** Fr Jeremy **Preacher:** John Ainslie

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**10.00am THE PARISH EUCHARIST**

**Service:** *The Parish Eucharist in Advent* **Hymns:** *Hymns Ancient & Modern*

**Celebrant:** Fr Neil

Organ Prelude

Prelude on Ode to Joy

*M Higgins*

**Opening Hymn**

**24 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding**

**The Lighting of the Advent Candle**

**Prophet voices loudly crying,**

making pathways clear;

glimpsing glory, self-denying,

Calling all to hear.

Through their message—challenged, shaken -

hearts awaken: God is near

*Mark Earey (b 1965)*

*After this Young Saints (3 years & over) go to the Parish Centre.*

*Café Churchers to the Birinus Room*

COLLECT

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 forever. **Amen**

O T READING

Isaiah 40: 1 - 11 (OT p694)

*John Ainslie*

N T READING

2 Peter 3: 8 – 15a (NT p256)

*Stella Harding*

**Gradual Hymn**

**30 Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes**

GOSPEL

Mark 1: 1 – 8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,"' John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

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| Sermon          | John Ainslie                          |                     |
| Offertory Hymn  | 470 Hills of the North, rejoice       |                     |
| Communion Hymns | 484 Long ago, prophets knew           |                     |
| Closing Hymn    | 27 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry |                     |
| Organ Postlude  | Wake, awake for night is flying       | <i>Flor Peeters</i> |

Refreshments will be served at the back of the Church thanks to Sally Deal, Tanya Howarth & Julia Wakeling

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**10.00am Café Church** Fr Jeremy  
*Harry Potter and the Question of 'Who am I?'* Included in the refreshments 'Butter Beer and Edible Golden Snitches'

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**12 noon HOLY BAPTISM**  
 Please pray for Abbie Janet Weir, Tolomey James Wood, their parents and godparents.

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6.00pm *International Taizé for Advent at St Luke's*

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*Father Jeremy's Notes*

**Next Sunday 14th December**

The celebrant and preacher at the 10.00am Eucharist will be The Rt. Revd Andrew Proud, Bishop of Reading - **please note that there will not be a 8.00am BCP service this morning.** We hope that many of you will take the opportunity to share the Advent season with our Bishop.

Thank you to the Firth family for preparing the wonderful party food for Ena, Rene and myself last weekend. It was a joyous occasion and thank you to all those who joined us. Thanks to the people who offered the tea and coffee and who put in an extra shift washing the dishes. Finally thanks to David and Janet for serving the wine.

Thank you to the Salvation Army and all those from All Saints who contributed to the carol singing and refreshments last weekend. It was a very enjoyable way to begin Advent.

**Christmas services assistance**

Help will be needed for our Christmas services with welcoming visitors and undertaking normal sidespersons activities. Anyone who feels that they can assist in helping these busy services run smoothly please sign the list at the back of the church. Please do not worry if you have not been involved in this before as you will be part of a team who will show and guide you in what is needed. Many thanks for your help.

**OTHER NOTICES**

**The Shelter Maidenhead – Volunteer Information Meetings** Please support the Shelter for rough sleepers being run in Maidenhead, from January – March 2015. Volunteers are needed again this winter to staff the Shelter in 'shifts' (evening, overnight or breakfast shifts). If you are interested in volunteering, or finding out more, please come to any one of the following meetings, to be held at High St Methodist Church from 7:30 – 9:00pm: Tuesday 9th December or Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

**R Barratt Project Administrator**

**CHURCHES TOGETHER CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

We need **one** more person to drive a People-to-Places bus so that people in wheelchairs will be able to come to the Christmas Lunch at SportsAble on Christmas Day. MIDAS training is required and will be provided. Please call Tony Weeks on 01628 627265 if you can help or e-mail [tonyweeks@maidenhead6.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:tonyweeks@maidenhead6.freeserve.co.uk) This is important if we are to transport all the people in wheelchairs to the event.

**Mothers' Union Christmas Party Parish Centre 2.30pm Wednesday 10th December**

We look forward to welcoming visitors to our Christmas celebration. We plan to sing carols, hear festive readings, have a raffle and enjoy festive fare. We shall also continue to pray for Ena Jones' recovery to keep up its good progress so far. We hope our friends from St Edmund Campion and the Baptists will also be joining us. So make a note in your diary, and we look forward to seeing you.

**Wendy Channon**

**PARISH OFFICE NEWS**

**Your help needed!** Our long-serving volunteers on the refreshment rota and those on the church cleaning rota are in need of extra help. The more help we receive, the fewer occasions you will be needed and these are vital tasks, much appreciated by all!

**Cardboard tubes.** We are missing 2 cardboard tubes from the back of the church which are used for church linen, banners, etc. If you have seen these recently, can you please let Chrissie Pocock know - they are very expensive to replace

The eagerly awaited **2015 Church Diaries** have arrived, and can be purchased now at the back of Church.

**Children's Society Advance Notice** There will be a collection for the Children's Society at the Christingle Service on Sunday 21st December. Helpers will be needed to make Christingles between 10.00am and 12 noon on Saturday 20th December in the Parish Centre. Please sign the list at the back of the Church and add your contact details if you can help with this.

**Anne Clark**