We do not take a collection at St. Anne's as we have a Free Will Offering scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the **Free Will Offering** scheme please speak to Andy Crawford, Mark Ebden or the church wardens.

Joan Pinder, still recovering in hospital sends her love and Christmas best wishes to everyone and her thanks for all the prayers and good wishes. Please keep her in your prayers.

Rota for the next quarter: All those on the rota if you could give your non-availability dates between February and April to Mick please.

Carols in the Hatch

We are starting this again on Saturday 17th December at 10:30 when we will meet outside the hatch shops. At 11:30 we will cross the road to Gracewell where we will sing to the residents.

Service of Carols and Readings 18th December at 5.30 pm. This year we are privileged to have the mayor attending and reading one of the lessons. We want to advertise this service as widely as possible and encourage as many people as possible to come. Please invite family and friends and above all, be there yourself. Thank you, in advance.

Christingle. The annual tradition of assembling the Christingles will be after the 10.00 Eucharist on Friday 23rd December All very gratefully welcome.

No Eucharist this coming Friday (16th) as Longshaw School will be having their service of Carols and Readings. Helpers welcome.

Communion service at St. Edmunds on Thursdays at 12.30.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

Sick and wanting prayer; Fred & Joan Banks, Elizabeth Belwood, Valerie Black, Dorothy Bulled, Claire Connelly, Joshua Edmunds, Vera Humphreys, Jill Rooke-Matthews, Pamela Finbow, Nargis Gill, Riaz Gill, Siddique Gill, Russell House, Mussarat Joseph, Nargiss Khan, Khanya, Oliver Lee, Amanda Lofting, Anum Mall, Saba Mall, Sohail Mall, Rahat Munir, Valerie Muscutt, Joan Pinder, Barbara Smith, Sheila Treadwell, Elena Utton, Pauline Warner, Gordon Wilkinson, John Wood, David Peter, Frederick Bullock, Linda Smith-Pryor, Joan Trapnell, Jenny Howland.

Recently Deceased: Stephen Wheatley, Mark Bangle.

Anniversaries for December: 1st Violet Tattersfield, 2nd Arthur Toms, 5th Doris Acons, 6th Michael Barwick, 7th Eileen Sellwood, David Lovitt, 8th Hans Larsen, 9th Anne Jones, 10th Arthur Hughes, 12th Kathryn Anderson, 15th Elizabeth Salen, 16th Nellie Thacker, 18th Sheila Birchnall, 19th Winifred White, 21st Florence Palmer, 22nd Beryl Banks, 23rd Grace Skeggs, 24th Arthur Langsdon, 25th Gill Head, 26th Allan Taylor, 27th Alfred Salen, 29th Edward Gooch, 30th David Anderson, 31st Mavis Symonds.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen



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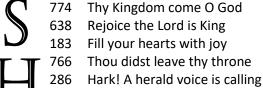
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Advent 3 – 11th December 2016

Parish Eucharist 10.00 Joyce Sullivan, Rosalind Tatam Sidesmen: Servers: Steve White, Eira Endersbee, Jenny Scotchmer Beryl Stratton, Anthony Sullivan Chalice: Lessons: Claire Fullerton **Order of Service** Prayers: John Wood Option Preacher: Jude Bullock Eucharistic prayer B Celebrant: Jude Bullock Music: Peter Stannard

(Advent Carol on sheet)



Hymns:



Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them.

This week	Monday Thursday Friday Saturday	15th Dec 16th Dec	14.00 09.30	Plant Committee Service of Healing and Wholeness Longshaw Carol Service Carols at the Hatch
\Longrightarrow	Sunday	18th Dec		Informal Eucharist Carol Service

	St. Anne's welcome form	You are very welcome
Name	-	here at St. Anne's. If you would like us to
Phone no.		keep in touch with you
		or you are not on the
E-mail		electoral roll please fill
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Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ,

who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries

may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,

that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for eyer.

Post Communion

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 146.4-10

- 4 Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them; who keeps his promise for ever;
- Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong and bread to those who hunger.
- 7 The Lord looses those that are bound; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;
- 8 The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous;
- The Lord watches over the stranger in the land; he upholds the orphan and widow;

but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.

10 The Lord shall reign for ever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

James 5.7-10

⁷Be patient, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. ⁹Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! ¹⁰As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Matthew 11.2-11

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

²When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples ³and said to Jesus, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' ⁴Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. ⁶And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'

⁷As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. ⁹What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰This is the one about whom it is written,

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,

who will prepare your way before you."

¹¹Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.