

Please note that Coffee Shop will be **CLOSED** on Weds 23rd and Weds 30th December. Re-opens on Weds 6th January .

Annual Legislation: Church gates will be locked and closed from sunset on 31st Dec—2nd Jan 2016.

Sunday 27th December
NO SERVICE AT 8 am
10 AM PARISH EUCHARIST

Readings: Colossians 3. 12-17
Gospel : St Luke 2. 41-end
Hymns: 80, 36, 229, 355, 370

Setting: Mass of the Holy Trinity, - Christopher Tambling
Voluntary: Noel — Jean-Claude Dacquain

Colossians 3. 12-17:

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

St Luke 2. 41-end

Every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusa-

lem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' ⁴⁹He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

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Sunday 20th December (4th Sunday of Advent, Year C)

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8 am Holy Eucharist
10 am All Age Eucharist

Readings: Micah 5. 2-5a
Gospel : St Luke 1. 39-45
Hymns: 182, 634, 350, 631

Agnus Dei: Mass of St Thomas—David Thorne
Voluntary: Fugue in Eb (BWV552) - Johann Sebastian Bach



NO Service here at St. Andrew's this evening

Tonight: Service of lessons & Carols at
St Nicholas Tytherton Lucas @ 6.30 pm—All Welcome.

*At the Communion please come forward to the sanctuary rail. If you wish to receive blessing please carry a book
You are invited to stay for Coffee in the North Aisle after the 10 am Service*



CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT
ST. ANDREW'S
& ST NICHOLAS, TYTHERTON LUCAS
(Decoration of the Church for Christmas will be on Weds 23rd December 9.00 am onwards)

Thurs 24th Dec Christmas Eve

4 pm Crib Service with Christingles

7 pm Service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas

11.30 pm Midnight Service

Christmas Day: 8 am Holy Eucharist 10 am Parish Eucharist

Sun 27th Dec: NO 8 AM SERVICE: 10 am Parish Eucharist
NO 8.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION ON THURSDAYS 24th, 31st OR

7th JANUARY

St Nicholas : Christmas Day Eucharist Service @ 10 am
Sunday 27th—NO Service

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The Collect

Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord

1st Reading: Micah 5. 2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. ³Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth;

return to the people of Israel. ⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; ⁵ and he shall be the one of peace

then the rest of his kindred shall

The Gospel: St Luke 1. 39-45

Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰ where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴² and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women,

womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

and blessed is the fruit of your



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Collect: Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God

Post Communion: God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord

1st Reading : Isaiah 62. 6-12

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. ⁸ The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have laboured; ⁹ but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts. ¹⁰ Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. ¹¹ The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, 'See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.' ¹² They shall be called, 'The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD'; and you shall be called, 'Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.'

Gospel: St . Luke 2. 1-7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.



A VERY HAPPY AND BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!

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