

The Calendar:

13th Dec—Lucy, martyr, 304; Samuel Johnson, moralist, 1784;

14th - John of the Cross, poet, teacher of the faith, 1591

A VERY BIG THANK YOU for your generous gifts of rice and money, it is the equivalent of 370lbs of rice!! But the Refugees and Asylum Seekers may choose to spend some of the money on much needed toiletries instead or all on rice.

With Love, Margaret Gubbins. (M.U.)

Chippenham Older Peoples Forum
@ Borough Lands Jubilee Buildings,
32 Market Place, Chippenham **Weds**
13th Dec @ 2 pm.

Sat 16th December @ 7.30 pm in Church: Rotary Concert with Police Band and Military Wives Choir, compered by Amanda Parr from BBC

CHIPPENHAM CHURCHES TOGETHER (CCT)

Carols at the Railway Station—
Mon 18th Dec @ 5 pm

School Carol Services @ St. Andrew's

Abbeyfield—Thurs 14th Dec @ 7 pm

Kings Lodge—Mon 18th @ 10 am

Charter— @ 6 pm

Tues 19th—Kings Lodge @ 6 pm

Weds 20th Monkton Park @ 1 pm

Items for inclusion in Pewsheet to be with Ros Harford 01249-812190
rosnarf31@btinternet.com By Weds evg.

Weds 13th DECEMBER

COFFEE SHOP

9.30 AM—12 NOON

Coffee Shop will be **closed** on

Weds 27th Dec

& Weds 3rd January

Re-opens on Weds 10th January



TICKETS: Jenny Norris /Sue Hollands will be selling tickets today for :The Rotary Extravaganza on 16th Dec & Lucy Dowling's Christmas Wreath Decoration on 19th Dec, & The Cinderella Opera on **Sat 6th January 5 pm—7 pm.**

(Shoestring Opera presents this opera by Rossini) An abridged but staged & costume version making sure none of the touching moments in the story are lost. Production accompanied by a keyboard.

Revelation Resources Centre & Bookshop, sadly closes at the end of January. Selection of Christmas cards, books, gifts available until Christmas. Your support over the years has been appreciated.

John Rutter Choral Workshop @ Bath Abbey on Sat 20th January 2018. It starts at 10am, costs £20 to include music hire and is planned to finish at 3.30. Tickets from online from Bath Box Office directly.

Thank you to everyone who in any way supported the **Church Flowers Coffee Morning** yesterday..

Mid-Week H.C service : Holy Communion 8.30 am Thursday: **Morning Prayer** 8.30 am Mondays,, Tues, & Sat : **Morning Prayer** 8 am Wednesdays. *Please note that Rod's day off is a Friday*

BE JOYFUL!



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TODAY: SUNDAY 10th DECEMBER

(2nd Sunday of ADVENT: Year B)

8 am ~Said Eucharist—Traditional Language

10 am PARISH EUCHARIST

(Sunday Club meets in the Club Room

@ 9.50 am)

Reading: Isaiah 40. 1-8

Gospel: St Mark 1. 1-8

PSALM 80. VS 1-8

HYMNS: 527, 128, 447, 282



We welcome Jeremy Bray to lead our worship today whilst Rod is away.

Andys @ 4 pm

(A Service for all the family)

Today: Sunday 10th December



WARDEN ON DUTY TODAY: MAURICE CHADWICK

NEXT SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER

(3rd Sunday of ADVENT: Year B)

8 am ~Said Eucharist—Traditional Language

10 am: ALL AGE EUCHARIST (With Adult Baptism of James Adman & Remy Osman)

Reading: Isaiah 61. 1-4

Gospel: St John 1. 19-28

HYMNS: 263, Great is the Lord, 80, 631, 480

Please note there will not be a Holy Communion Service at 8 am on Christmas Eve 24th December.

Tues 19th December in church @ 7.30 pm

Make your own Christmas Table Decoration. Greenery, Oasis & candles all provided—but bring along secateurs & anything you'd like to include in your arrangement. Tickets £10, profits to DOORWAY.

Contact Lucy 07779268731 or Dorryta 653322.



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10th December: (2nd Sunday of Advent: Year B)

Collect

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

Post Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1st Reading: Isaiah 40. 1-8

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. ² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. ³ A voice cries out : 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. ⁵ Then the glory

of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.' ⁶ A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. ⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. ⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever.

PSALM 80. 1-8

1. Hear, O Shep/herd of Israel:
You that led Joseph/ like a flock;
Shine forth, you that are enthroned u/pon
the cherubim'
before Ephraim, Benjamin /and Manasseh

2. Stir up your /mighty strength;
And come to /our salvation
Turn us a/gain O God
Show the light of your countenance,
and we /shall be saved.

3. O Lord /God of hosts:
How long will you be angry at your /
people's prayer?
You feed them with the /bread of tears;
You give them abundance of /tears to
drink.

4. You have made us the derision/ of
our neighbours:
And our enemies laugh/ at us to scorn.
Turn us again, O /God of hosts:
Show the light of your countenance and
we /shall be saved.

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Gospel: St Mark 1. 1-8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. ² As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; ³ the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" ',⁴ John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ 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. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸ I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.

Remembering those who have asked for our prayers:

Anne Baker, Mary Beint, Stanley Blake, Tony Bollen, Pauline Buckley, , Lisa Cliff , Norman Fox, Steve Goodman, Ken Harrison, Richard Holtham, Carol Iles, Diane Mansfield, Elizabeth McKinlay-Walker, Mary Neate, Jan Sheppard, Debby Whitby, George Winchester, Doris Watt, Eileen Yates; Sharon.
From our visitors: 6 y.o.. James Little, David, Peter, Linda
Communion of Saints & the Departed: Ann Greenwood, Bob Freeman



St Andrew's 9th Annual

Knitted Crib Set

Wilgrimage 2017!

NOW ON ITS JOURNEY !!!



Website is now up and running again! Do visit it at **standrewschippenham.org.uk** and let us know if you can suggest any additions. Our **church email address** is now **st.andrewschurch@Zen.co.uk** This is the address for all correspondence to the church and office, and is will be forwarded to the appropriate person to respond to your enquiry.

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