


The Calendar:

12th Dec—Ember Day; 13th = Lucy, martyr, 304; Samuel Johnson, moralist, 1784; 14th—John of the Cross, poet, teacher of the faith, 1591; Ember Day;

**100 Club** Dec Draw will take place today **Sun 9th Dec after 10am Service**

**Sat 15th December 7.00 pm: The Village Singers Concert**—A Symphony of Carols. Tickets £10 from Neeld Community & Arts Centre.

**Sunday 16th Dec @ 4 pm:** FWJones, Funeral Directors, Memorial Service

 A Christmas Card for signatures for the **Children's Society** will be at the back of church. Instead of giving each other Christmas cards, monetary donations for the Children's Society are welcome. M.Morris

Our church **BIRTHDAY LIST!** Shortly there will be a **2019** new list for update at the back of church. Those already on 2018 list will be transferred over unless notified otherwise, additional names can be added. Daphne Jefferies.

Thank you to everyone who supported the *Coffee Morning* yesterday in aid of the Church Flower Fund.

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

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**Coffee Shop**  
**Weds 12th December**  
**9.30 am—12 noon**



**Christmas Day Lunch:** Sheldon Road Methodist Church is offering Christmas Day Lunch for those who would otherwise be on their own on 25th Dec. Teams of volunteers required for a couple of hours to serve/cater/host/transport guests etc:  
Email :  
[admin@sheldonroad.church](mailto:admin@sheldonroad.church)

**School Carol Services:**

**Charter**—Mon 17th Dec 6 pm  
**Kings Lodge**—Tues 18th Dec 6 pm  
**Abbeyfield**—Wed 19th Dec 7 pm  
**Monkton Park**—Fri 21st Dec 2 pm  
Various Rehearsals in Church throughout the week.

At **Sheldon Rd Methodist Church**, **3.30 pm on Christmas Eve**. **Nearly No Nativity.**, an Alison Carver free musical show. Suitable for all the family. Free performance starts at **3.30 pm**, arrive early to visit the sheep & goats which will be in the car park from **2.45 pm**. Your children may wish to come dressed up as an animal, a wise person, shepherd or angel, to join in the fun!

Items for inclusion in Pewsheets to be with Ros Harford 812190 by **Weds Evening** [rosharf31@btinternet.com](mailto:rosharf31@btinternet.com)



**ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH**

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**TODAY: SUNDAY 9th DECEMBER**

Advent 2 (Year C)

8 am—Holy Communion (Trad. Language)

10 am PARISH EUCHARIST

Reading: Malachi 3. 1-4

Gospel: St Luke 3. 1-6

HYMNS 527; 128; 447; 684

**Sun 9th December Sunday Club meets in the Club room at 9.50 am**



**WARDEN ON DUTY : JENNY NORRIS**

**NEXT SUNDAY 16th DECEMBER**

Advent 3 (Year C)

8 am—Holy Communion (Trad. Language)

10 am ALL AGE EUCHARIST

Reading: Philippians 4. 4-7

Gospel St Luke 3. 7-14:

HYMNS; tba



**Christmas Services @ St Andrew's**

**Sun 23rd Dec: NO 8 am Service**

**10 am Said Eucharist with Hymns**

**4 pm CHILDREN'S CRIB SERVICE (note**

**Sun 23rd, NOT on Christmas Eve)**

**Christmas Eve Mon 24th Dec: 7 pm CAROL SERVICE**

**11.30 PM MIDNIGHT SERVICE**

**CHRISTMAS DAY: 8 am Said Eucharist (Trad. Language)**

**10 am ALL AGE EUCHARIST**

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## 9th December Advent 2 (Year C)

### 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: Malachi 3. 1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>2</sup>But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is

like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; <sup>3</sup>he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

### GOSPEL: St Luke 3. 1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, <sup>2</sup>during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of

repentance for the forgiveness of sins, <sup>4</sup>as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." <sup>5</sup>Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; <sup>6</sup>and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'

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### Remembering those who have asked for our prayers:

Anne Baker, Mary Beint, Stanley Blake, Tony Bollen, Lisa Cliff, Heather Deverell, Mary Fallon, Liz Fox, Barry Hayward; Malcolm Hodges, Neil Hollands; Mary Neate, Joan Williams, Sue Stearn, Debby Whitby, Sharon., Eileen Yates; 7 yo James Little; Laura: Chris, Fiona: Macrae; For little Edward Collins, and for his parents; Eddie & Sue Haslop. & Eddie's niece; Craid & Ruth Harvey  
**From the Candle Stand:** David; Mervyn; for a brother, Richard & his wife who is under sedation following open-heart surgery; Alan; for a grieving dad; Ken; Mr & Mrs Halford; Derrick;

**Communion of Saints & the Departed:** Owen Macrae: Chris (son-in-law of Richard Bambury) Remember Chris's wife Louise & Juliette their 2 y.o daughter, as well as Richard and Joan at this difficult time for the family.' Malcolm Haslop; Keith Tinker.

### Christmas Wreath Making Evening

Thursday 19th December @ 7.30 pm in Church.

£10 covers all materials.

Come and prepare a beautiful Christmas table decoration with carols and mulled wine! Please give your name to Lucy Dowling if you would like to come  
Tel: 07779-268-731 or let Rod or Dorryta know



Please note that there will not be a Coffee Shop on Weds 26th December or Weds 2nd January. Coffee Shop re-opens on Weds 9th January 2019



### FIRST AID TRAINING COURSE

CHIPPENHAM DEANERY

Saturday 9th February 2019

@ St Peter's Church, Chippenham

PCC will cover the cost of those who are willing to attend—especially Sidespersons.

CONTACT Daphne Jefferies (659820)

who will collect names

**“Loo Twinning!”** To celebrate the completion of our new Hall loos in December, we'd like to raise £60 per loo to have them “twinning” with loos that will be built in schools in Africa! From Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov, we suggest “50p a pee” each time you use the church loo – if it's convenient. The PCC have passed the motion and we'd like to hear your tinkles in the tin!



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