

Calendar (Year B begins)



St Andrew's Knitted Crib Pilgrimage 2023 now on its
Advent Journey
Contact Eryl : emwspencer143@btinternet.com



100 Club: The December 100 Club Draw Results as follows:
£100-No. 52; £40- No 72; £25-No 11



Thank you to all who supported the
Church Flowers Fund COFFEE MORNING
on Sat 9th Dec: Superb total of £756.40 made
(Dorrryta)



Children's Society Box Holders - Please bring your box to Church &
hand to Ros Harford or Margaret Harrison - As in previous years,
there will be a COLLECTIVE LARGE CARD AT THE BACK OF CHURCH
IF YOU WISH TO SIGN IT rather than write lots of individual
cards. Accompany your signature with a donation, which, together
with the Box money, and the collection at the CRIB & CHRISTINGLE
SERVICE AT 4 PM ON SUNDAY 17TH DECEMBER, will be given di-
rectly to the worthy cause of the Children's Society.

Big THANK YOU to all who kindly returned their annual Pledge Forms
and to all those who continue their committed giving to St Andrew's
either through the Parish Giving Scheme or direct from their Bank.
Much appreciated by our Treasurer, Chris Norris, and from Gavin &
Ros (Parish Giving Officers)



SUNDAY 17th DEC at 6.30 pm CAROL SERVICE
AT ST NICHOLAS, TYTHERTON LUCAS



Christmas Eve 24th @ 3.30 pm— Holy Communion at St.
Nicholas Tytherton Lucas (with Rev Anton Campbell)

Christmas Eve 7 pm CAROL SERVICE AT ST ANDREW'S
(with the Benefice Worship Leaders: Mary Pennell; Linda Silk;
Viv Prout; Laurinda Elliott)

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT A 11.30 PM
MIDNIGHT MASS HERE AT ST A ON 24TH DEC;
There is a 11.30 pm midnight service held at St Paul's
Church, Malmesbury Rd

Sunday 31st Dec: 10.30 am Holy Communion Service at
St A (with Rev Anton Campbell)



Items for weekly notice sheet, please send details by a Weds evening to:
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ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH

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Parish Priest: In Vacancy from 1st May

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 17th 2023: ADVENT 3 (Year B)

NO 9 am SAID Holy Communion

10.30 am EUCHARIST (Rev. Anton Campbell)

READING: Isaiah 61. 1-4, 8-end

GOSPEL: St John 1. 6-8, 19-28

HYMNS: On Jordon's Bank (HB527); Hark a Herald Voice is

Calling (HB263); Long Ago, Prophets knew (HB405);

Creator of the Starry Height (HB135); Thy Kingdom Come O God (HB691)

Advent 3: Lord Jesus, light of the world, John told the people to prepare,
for you were very near. As Christmas grows closer day by day, help us to
be ready to welcome you now. Amen

SUNDAY 17th DEC @ 4 PM

CRIB & CHRISTINGLE SERVICE (with Eryl Spencer, LLM)
(with a Collection for the CHILDREN'S SOCIETY)

SUNDAY 17th DEC at 6.30 pm CAROL SERVICE
AT ST NICHOLAS, TYTHERTON LUCAS

**** Warden on Duty today : Jenny Norris ****



SUNDAY DECEMBER 24th: ADVENT 4 Christmas Eve

9 am SAID Holy Communion

10.30 am EUCHARIST (Rev. Anton Campbell)

READING: 2 Samuel 7. 1-11.16

GOSPEL: Luke 1: 26-38

HYMNS: O Come, O Come Emmanuel; (480); People Look East (557); The Angel
Gabriel (634); Jesus Good Above all Other (350); Tell Out my Soul (631)

Advent 4: Lord Jesus, light of the world, blessed is Gabriel, who brought good
news; blessed is Mary, your mother & ours. Bless your Church preparing for
Christmas: and bless us your children, who long for your coming: Amen

Christmas Eve 24th— 3.30 pm Holy Communion at St Nicholas
& 7 pm CAROL SERVICE AT ST ANDREW'S

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11.30 pm midnight service held at St Paul's Church, Malmesb. Rd

Fri 22nd Dec: Service of COMPLINE @ 8.45pm in LADY CHAPEL

Deadline date for the JAN 2024 PARISH HERALD IS THURS 21ST DEC:

Items to Editor: remyworldpeace@hotmail.com

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17th DEC 2023: Advent 3 (Year B)

In the week : 8.30am Morning Prayer on 18th Dec (with Eryl)
The next Thurs 8.30am Service of H.C. is Thurs 11th JANUARY

Collect

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

Reading: Isaiah 61. 1-4, 8-end

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. For I the LORD love justice, I

hate robbery and wrong doing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Gospel: St John 1. 6-8, 19-28

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' He con-

fessed and did not deny it, but confessed, 'I am not the Messiah.' And they asked him, 'What then? Are you Elijah?' He said, 'I am not.' 'Are you the prophet?' He answered, 'No.' Then they said to him, 'Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?' He said, 'I am the

voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Make straight the way of the Lord" ', as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, 'Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the proph-

et?' John answered them, 'I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.' This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

Remembering those who have asked for our prayers:

Amanda; Pauline Barry; Vicki Bray, Pam Bollen; Jean Chadwick; Lisa Clift; John Clarke; Heather Deverell; Beth Drew; Mary Fallon now at Hayward Care Centre, Devizes.; Sarah Fitzgerald; Margaret Fortune in RUH; Rosemary George; Kenneth Gubbins; Phyllis Harding (moving to Mulberry Ward, Chipp Hospital); Eddie Haslop now home; Jan Hooker (now home); Phyl Honour; Malcolm Hodges; James Little; Mary; James Johnson; Mike; Pearl Jones; June Pettifer; Joanne Pettifer (daughter-in-law); Alasdair Pettifer; Kay Readman; Richard Rosser; Tony Sammes; Elizabeth Sexton; Barbara Starr; Richard Stearn; Abbie Smith; Maurizio Vergottini; Jo Warsop; Nick Waterworth; Allen Watkins; Bernard Whyte; Young Edward Collins & his parents: Baby Amelia; For Charles & Gloria; Bryan Pettifer now home and to the delight of both of them Bryan is now in the Garden House Nursing Home just across the corridor from June's room in St Monica's Retirement Village in Bristol. Bryan spends much of the day in June's room with her..

From our visitors: Jane; Tracy ; for Mary & Gary Quarmby; Luke; Sarah, Holly, & family; for a newborn baby, Pablo, & his parents; for a couple receiving fertility treatment; Thomas, Hannah, Beth, Michael, Peter; Mathew; Lorraine; Remembering the Beasley family; the Fletcher family

Communion of Saints & the Departed: Richard Beasley ; Michael Ragbourne (cousin to Maureen & David Ragbourne— funeral in church Tues 19th Dec 12 noon)

Tim Dutton of N.Zealand (grandson of the late Brenda Bailey & son of Caroline & Richard Dutton)

And for all those we remember at this time :

And at their year's Mind:

14th Dec 2021-Beth Hathaway; 15th Dec 2021-Liz Fox;
20th Dec 2014-Maurice Banks; 25th Dec 2003-Donald Readman;
28th Dec 2019-Eric Mountain: 29th Dec 2017-Dorothy Crowson

Those with Birthdays at this time:

14th-Jeanette Silk; 19th-Stephen Starr; 23rd-Angela Sammes;
25th-Olivia MacInnes; 25th- Christopher Watkins



WEDNES COFFEE SHOP NOT OPEN ON WEDS 20th OR WEDS 27th DECEMBER: Re-opens on Weds 3rd January 2024

Sunday Morning Coffee Service— NO Coffee/Tea Served on Sun 24th Dec or Sun 31st Dec. (The Teams deserve a rest!!!!)



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