

Calendar (Year B begins)

3rd Dec—Advent Sunday; 4th—John of Damascus, Monk, Teacher c749;
Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, Founder of Little Gidding Community 163;
6th—Nicholas, Bishop of Myra c326; 7th—Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Teacher, 397;
8th—The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



St Andrew's Knitted Crib Pilgrimage 2023 will set out on its Advent Journey TODAY 3RD DECEMBER. Please encourage families with children (under 18!) to join in hosting a crib set for one night of Advent. Contact Eryl : emwspencer143@btinternet.com



100 Club: Results of the December 100 Club Draw as follows:
£100 £40 £25



Thanks to everyone who completed our questionnaire about the Vineyard Card and Book stall. There was a clear interest for more non-fiction books and jigsaws. Any donations can be left at the back of church or on the 1st, 3rd or 5th Wednesdays @ Coffee Shop when the stall is open. With your support, we'll keep going and continue raising money for St. Andrew's—from the two Sue's! Sue Symonds & Sue Stearn)

Ladies Lunch on Thursday 7th December at the North Wilts Bowls Club : 12.00 for 12.30 pm



CAROLS ROUND THE PIANO!!!
IN CHURCH: 7.30 PM ON THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER

COFFEE MORNING (For Church Flower Fund)

Saturday 9th December 10 am—12 noon

In the Church

Includes Stalls, Cakes; Raffle; Tombola;

Christmas Table Arrangements

Entrance £1 to include Cup of Coffee

& Biscuit ALL WELCOME!!!!



CHIPPENHAM ROTARY CLUB CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA:
SAT 9th DEC in Church at 7.30 pm

Children's Society Box Holders - Please bring your box to Church & hand to Ros Harford or Margaret Harrison - thanks.



KITTIWAKE: Teaching Ukrainian and Syrian refugees urgently needs volunteers to help run our creche now classes have re-started. Help required now and into 2024. We would be interested to hear from anyone who feels drawn to teaching English - guidance and resources will be provided. Please contact Eryl - emwspencer143@btinternet.com

Items for weekly notice sheet, please send details by a Weds evening to:
ros.harford31@btinternet.com

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ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 3rd 2023:

ADVENT SUNDAY (Changed to Year B)

NO 9 am SAID Holy Communion

10.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

(With our Area Dean, Rev Sally Wheeler)

READING: Isaiah 64. 1-9;

GOSPEL: St Mark 13: 24-37

HYMNS: Hark the Glad Sound (HB265);

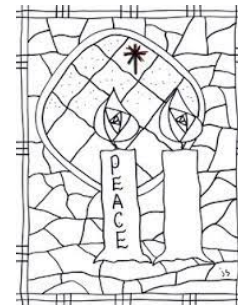
Hills of the North (HB282); Come Thou Long Expected (HB128);

Let all Mortal Flesh (HB381); Lo He Comes with Clouds (HB405)

3rd December ANDY'S@4 pm : A Service for all the Family

With Eryl Spencer, LLM

****Warden on Duty today : Margaret Harrison****



SUNDAY DECEMBER 10th 2023:

ADVENT 2 (Year B)

NO 9 am SAID Holy Communion

10.30 am ALL AGE EUCHARIST

With Baptism of : Natalie Warburton (adult);
Phobe Warburton (child but baptised as an adult);

Indie Warburton (child)

(Rev, Anton Campbell)

READING: Isaiah 40. 1-11

GOSPEL: St Mark 1. 1-8

HYMNS: To God be the Glory (HB695); Light of the World (SB23);

How Lovely on the Mountains (HB295);

Lord Jesus Christ (HB411); I cannot Tell (HB303)

SUNDAY 10th DEC—3.30 pm Family Service

@ St. Nicholas, Tytherton Lucas (Rev Anton Campbell)

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)

Friday night service of COMPLINE @ 8.45pm in the LADY CHAPEL each Friday in Advent, 8th, 15th and 22nd

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**In the week : 8.30am Morning Prayer on 4th Dec (with Eryl)
8.30am Service of H.C. on Thurs 7th December (with Anton)**

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Reading: Isaiah 64. 1-9;

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence — ² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil — to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! ³ When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴ From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. ⁵ You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you

were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. ⁶ We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. ⁷ There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. ⁸ Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹ Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Gospel: St Mark 13: 24-37

In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵ and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶ Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great

power and glory. ²⁷ Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. ²⁸ ‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know

that summer is near. ²⁹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰ Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³² ‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³ Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴ It is like a man

going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵ Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶ or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷ And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

Remembering those who have asked for our prayers:

Amanda; Pauline Barry; Vicki Bray, Pam Bollen; Lisa Clift: John Clarke; Heather Deverell; Beth Drew in RUH;; Mary Fallon now at Hayward Care Centre, Devizes.; Sarah Fitzgerald; Rosemary George; Kenneth Gubbins; Phyllis Harding in RUH; Eddie Haslop; Jan Hooker (now home); Phyl Honour; Malcolm Hodges; James Little; Mary; Johnny; James Johnson; Mike; Pearl Jones; June Pettifer; Joanne Pettifer (daughter-in-law); Alasdair Pettifer; Richard Rosser; Tony Sammes; Elizabeth Sexton; Barbara Starr; Richard Stearn; Abbie Smith; Martin Symonds; Maurizio Vergottini; Johnny; Jo Warsop; Nick Waterworth; Allen Watkins; Bernard Whyte; Young Edward Collins & his parents: Baby Amelia; For Charles & Gloria;
For Bryan Pettifer, still in Southmead Hospital ,progress slow but improving;
June Pettifer continues to settle well in her new environment.

 **From our visitors:** Jane; Tracy ; Luke; for Mary & Gary Quarmby; Luke; Georgia; for a family; Mary in Rehab for alcohol dependency; for a grandmother; John; Royston; Ben; a son, Jack. 

Communion of Saints & the Departed: Richard Beasley (funeral in church Fri 8th Dec 1 pm): Michael Ragbourn (cousin to Maureen & David Ragbourn– 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 :
From Our Visitors: A mother on 2nd anniversary of her death & her grandson Sam; 2 close friends lost to cancer this year; for Eva & Stephen.

And at their year's Mind:
30th Nov 1999-Una Topalian; 4th Dec 2021—Gwenda Stone

Those with Birthdays at this time:
30th-Kenneth Addison; 3rd-Christina Knowles; 4th-Robbie Toomey
5th-Chris Higman