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Magazine

Rector Vacancy *The Revd. Andrea Hagenbuch has been appointed as
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The cover picture: Matthew 2:2; painted by Giotto. The Star of Bethlehem is shown as a comet above the child. Giotto witnessed an appearance of Halley's Comet in 1301

All Saints Scottish Episcopal Church

Drymen Road Bearsden



December 2022

Dear All,

As I write we are now halfway through November and although the weather has been unseasonably mild many of us are turning our attention to Christmas preparations. In Milngavie plans for the Christmas Tree Festival are well underway and in church we are beginning to think about Advent and our Christmas services.

I love this time of year in the church as once again we listen to the familiar texts of the bible and sing the well-known carols and Advent hymns, the tunes and words all reassuringly familiar, feeding our hearts and souls and in doing so recharging our spiritual batteries.

But Advent isn't always a comfortable time. How often do we remind ourselves that, for God's people, Advent is a season of waiting, longing and preparation? It can be hard to hang on to that spiritual meaning of the season as all around us are the trappings of Christmas and different sorts of waiting, longing and preparation. For many people, for various reasons, it can be a stressful and difficult time of year.

Advent means "coming" or "arrival", the gospels inform us that Advent involves the preparation of three comings: God coming to earth in the infant Jesus whom we await at Christmas; Christ returning to earth at a time we don't know and Christ coming into our hearts anew, each Advent. Jesus wants us to be ready and so we prepare by keeping alert, prayerful and continuing to hope in our loving God, who comes to us in Jesus Christ.

Advent Sunday reminds us that we wait for God like night-watchmen wait for the morning. In the darkness we yearn for the light but the candle we light can be tentative and vulnerable, its flame flickers at the slightest draught and we are all aware of what those draughts are today, be they personal, national or global.

But the collect for Advent states quite clearly

"Give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness,
and put upon us the armour of light, NOW in the time of this mortal life."
So, it is NOW that we are to cast away the works of darkness.

At Advent we look back to the birth of Christ and his ministry on earth, we look forward to our yearly celebration of his birth at Christmas, and we look still further forward to his coming again, when he will reveal fully his glory to us and when we shall meet him face to face.

In the meantime, we continue with our preparations for Christmas, hearing and singing those most sacred texts.

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light." Isaiah 9:2

"And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her." Luke 1:38

"And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

Luke 2:7

"And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid." Luke 2:9

"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him." Matthew 2:11

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us,
and we beheld his glory,
the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father,
full of grace and truth."

John 1:14

*I wish you all a Happy Christmas
and every blessing for the New Year*

Love

Andrea

PROGRESS ON THE RECTORIAL VACANCY

A brief update on progress on filling our rectorial vacancy. Following the shortlisting meeting on Monday, 24th October, we now have a shortlist of three potentially suitable candidates. Unfortunately not all were available to interview on the original date, so the interviews will now take place on Thursday, 8th December. As intimated last month, after the interviews (which take place on Zoom), the preferred candidate will be invited to visit Bearsden, meet Church members and have a look around. If all of this goes smoothly then the appointment will be made shortly thereafter. If not, then we shall have to re-advertise.

David Simmons

E GROUP

We have started our new study: "Equality is Biblical" by Penelope Wilcock – Lifting the curse of Eve. This looks like being an eye-opening, thought-provoking topic. The next meeting will be **December 1st** at 21 Kelvin Crescent 7.30 pm. If anybody would like to join us they would be most welcome.

Footnote

Hanan Atalla will be speaking at Historical Society on Monday 9th January: "Powerful Women Of Ancient Egypt". The venue is the community hub at Bearsden Cross at 7 30 pm. Jean Stirling

THE MONDAY GROUP

The Monday Group continues with the study, led by David Wheatley based on the pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The final dates are **November 28th**: "Discord, hatred, violence and genocide in the world" and **December 12th**: "Hope or despair in the minds of today's young people". Please ask David or Janet for further details.

BOOK STALL

We are pleased to say we will be offering books in the Church Hall as before Covid Lockdown. There will be a tin for donations. Please let us have any of your unwanted books for the book stall. Give them to either of us or leave them at the back of the church. Any books would be welcome.

Mary Stott and Jane Lowis

WEDNESDAY LUNCH GROUP – END OF SESSION BONANZA

After a successful first part of the 2022 Autumn session (we have been averaging well over 20 regular lunchers each week), we are happy to announce a special end to our pre-Christmas session which we have called our "Bonanza". The Bonanza events, distributed over our last four weeks, are as follows:

Wednesday **23rd November** – Fair Trade Sale run by Pauline Waugh. (This will be continued after the Sunday morning service on 27th November.)

Wednesday **30th November** – Christmas Sale. Come along and buy beautiful hand made Christmas gifts. All proceeds from the sale, as with the rest of the surplus from donations this session, will go to the Glasgow Children's Holiday Scheme (GCHS).

Wednesday **7th December** – an illustrated talk by Hanan Atalla about the Coptic Church of Egypt, in which she was raised, finishing with an account of how Christmas is celebrated by the Copts.

Wednesday **14th December** – the Christmas Party. The special lunch will be followed by entertainment, an opportunity to sing all your favourite Christmas Carols for the first time this season. All donations made will go to GCHS, and will include as usual gifts for their children. If you can't come on the day, these gifts can be handed in to Brenda or Andrew at the previous Sunday Services (4th or 11th December).

Douglas Wilson from GCHS will be present to receive all the gifts and donations, and say something about how the GCHS has weathered Covid and the troubled times in the last year.

The WLG will resume on Wednesday **11th January 2023** for the new session.

Brenda Hadcroft and Andrew Long



ASSOCIATION OF BEARSDEN CHURCHES

The ABC group met mid November and had an interesting discussion about the pressures on clergy across the denominations: St Andrew's has lost their Monsignor who has gone to help out in Dunbarton, the minister at Baljaffry has "demitted", and the Church of Scotland is undergoing huge structural changes which are very likely to impact locally. Alan Hamilton, the Chair of the ABC and Church of Scotland minister at Killermont, said there was "uncertainty and fatigue" everywhere and in order to attract younger people we need to get in touch with reality and "do" church in a different way. It was a frank and open discussion but with a warmth that comes from a longstanding group which continues to function collaboratively and supportively. The following events have been arranged:

Carol singing on Sat 17th December at Asda from 11.00-1.00 in aid of Drumchapel Foodbank. As in the past different churches are singing at different times and All Saints have the 11.0-12.00 slot. Thankfully this year we are being

allowed INSIDE but with a limit on numbers - we need 4-5 volunteers. Please let Celia/Penny know if you can come as we need to support this.

Unity Lunch on Saturday January 21st at 12 noon at Baljaffry Parish Church
Tickets: £10 We have decided to move this initiative to lunchtime, but otherwise it remains much the same – a chance to meet people from other churches, eat a delicious lunch and listen to a talk by Laura Young, an Award winning climate activist, environmental scientist and ethical influencer. Please put the date in your diary and buy a ticket, available now from Penny/ Celia. We have to give numbers by January 6th so please don't forget this important event in the business of Christmas.

Warm Spaces We are still collating a timetable of churches which will open their halls and doors as warm spaces through the winter. Once all the information is ready, we will get it in the magazine as well as publish it as widely as possible so it reaches those in need of a warm and welcoming place to go in the winter months.

Celia and Penny

USED STAMPS

A message from Elaine

I am still collecting used stamps for Bone Cancer Research Trust. Although there is not so much 'snail' mail now there may be more during December! Stamps should be cut from envelope leaving a small border. Gioia and her office are star collectors!! Please if you feel you could help, either, give stamps to me or leave at back of church for me to forward.

Elaine Perrett

Below is a recent thank-you received by Elaine:

Thank you so much for supporting the Bone Cancer Research Trust Stamp Appeal by saving your used stamps! We have an exciting update for you! So far this year our Stamp Appeal has raised an INCREDIBLE **£7,319.85!!!** 🥳 This could fund **244** hours of vital research!! Because of the support of people like you, the Bone Cancer Research Trust was able to invest almost [NINE times more into primary bone cancer research than the leading UK charities](#). Your efforts really do give hope to bone cancer patients and their families ❤️

TOP TIPS

📧 Did you know the newer the stamp, the more funds we raise? Old stamps (pre-2008) actually carry little value because collectors will either already have them or will be able to obtain them very cheaply. (Unless it's a special edition!)

📧 New stamps that are trimmed to roughly 1cm will raise the most funds because they require no labour and can simply be sold straight onto collectors. Take a look at our perfectly trimmed example!

On behalf of everyone here at the Bone Cancer Research Trust and more importantly, the patients and families that benefit from your stamp collecting efforts, thank you! ❤️
Best Wishes, Siobhan



ABBAYFIELD

As some of you will know, I have been a Trustee with Abbeyfield for many years and thought that I would provide some general information for those who may not be familiar with the organisation.

Our local Abbeyfield is a large Victorian sandstone villa situated in Grange Road Bearsden offering supported living accommodation for those over 60 years. There are 10 en suite rooms which can all be furnished by the occupant, high quality meals are served twice a day, along with cleaning and laundry provision. The gardens, with a Summer House and seating area, are for the use of residents.

Abbeyfield is a charitable organisation run by a Board of Trustees, all of whom are volunteers. They have overall responsibility for the finance, maintenance of the property and most importantly the care and well-being of the residents, who are ably supported by our excellent staff.

There are vacancies from time to time so please get in touch if you know of anyone who might be interested.

Viewing is by arrangement with the House Supervisor. Tel. 0141 942 8014

Gill Hamblen

MARY

by Cynthia McKenzie October 2022

Mary, maid of Nazareth,
Your time has come,
Your Son is here
The sky lights up, there is rejoicing,
Do you see it? Do you feel it?
Your precious Babe, you hold Him close
Your gentle hands protect Him
But is there sadness 'midst your joy?
Of an anguish still to come?
Mary, sweet answer to God's call,
favoured over all,
May His love surround you,
May He keep you strong,
as painful years unfold.

GOING TO WAR

Musings on remembrance poppies

by John MacKenzie November 2018

When symbols clash, must we endure the sound
that calls us to surrender to the herd,
whose ancient will demands to hold its ground,
bound tightly to the banner and the word?
A soul clad thus in armour shows no fear:
as subjugated reason cowers low.
The clarion is sounded loud and clear:
ashes to ashes, no other place to go.
The word is now denuded of its power
to influence and guide those left behind.
Blood red poppy - now symbol of the hour
O, leaders more than physically blind,
A question to a coming generation -
Must this be the essence of a nation?

ST MATTHEW'S GOSPEL

(At All Saints we usually read from the Gospel that is set in the lectionary for that year. In the next cycle (set to begin on Advent Sunday), the Gospel moves from Luke, which the Church has used this last year, to Matthew.

Prof. John Riches, who has been a regular celebrant at All Saints during the vacancy, has kindly written the following introduction to the Gospel for the magazine.)

We're going to be hearing a lot from Matthew during this coming church year. His Gospel contains some of the great passages in the New Testament and also much that is not easy to come to terms with. There's so much to talk about that I'm resorting to notes and bullet points to try and get as much in as possible.

1. What sort of a book is it?

- a. One of 3 'synoptic' gospels which show irrefutable signs of copying, one from another. There's a huge amount of close word for word agreement between the three gospels. I will assume that Matthew copies from Mark and makes quite small but significant changes to Mark's text
- b. Sources: as well as Mk, Mt, like Luke, has access to a collection of (principally) sayings of Jesus; he also has material which is not to be found in either Mark or Luke
- c. Mt follows the order of Mk's text quite closely, slotting in his other material and then coming back to the place where he left off with Mk (Mt fits the Sermon on the Mount into Mk's first chapter.)
- d. Mt shapes 'his' material into a set of 5 discourses: chapters 5-7; 10; 13; 18; 23-25.

2. What sort of a world was Matthew writing for?

- a. Jews had been living under Roman occupation since the first century BCE with different Jewish groups responding differently, some compromising and trying to keep things going (Sadducees); some going into exile in the desert and dreaming of throwing the Roman occupiers out (Essenes); some in revolt (Zealots); some cultivating the traditions of the Sages and withdrawing more and more from the political sphere (Pharisees). After the Jewish War 66-73, and the destruction of the Temple, the Jews lost their sacrificial cult and turned more and more to the cultivation of their legal traditions and the books of the Law, something which had already been going on much encouraged by the Pharisees.

3. How does Matthew's gospel fit into this kind of world?

- a. Some have seen Matthew as having his place within the kind of Law-based religion developed by the Pharisees, as a 'sect', a values-orientated smaller and exclusive group within the wider Jewish community, who would eventually be rejected by the Jewish authorities (who were?). Certainly, there was a long-lived (3 centuries) tradition of Jewish Christianity which would have drawn heavily on Mt's Gospel and drawn encouragement from verses like Mt 5:17-20 which strongly emphasise the need to obey every detail of the Law.
- b. Along the same lines, others have thought that Mt was written, came out of a circle of lawyers/scribes who would have reflected on the traditions around Jesus and may have been responsible for the 'fulfilment sayings', trying to root Jesus and his legacy in the OT scriptures.
- c. But if one side of Matthew seems sectarian, creating a fairly closed community, fenced off from the harsher realities of living under Jewish occupation, that is not all. Not only did Matthew's Gospel become the Gospel of Jewish Christianity, it also over the years become the Gospel of the Great Church, the church of the Holy Roman Empire.
 - i. The mission call in ch.28 is an openly political challenge to any earthly authority ('All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me')
 - ii. And also a call to go to the Gentiles.
 - iii. It tells the disciples to teach their converts to 'obey everything that I have commanded you'. This refers above all to the Sermon on the Mount with its commands to non-violence, and loving one's enemies and its blessings on the poor and hungry, which contrast sharply with the attitudes and behaviour of Rome.

4. Who does Matthew think Jesus was?

- a. One foretold in Scripture
- b. Emmanuel: God with us ch.1:23; ch.28:20, framing the Gospel
- c. Like Samuel miraculously born/conceived
- d. Like Moses: five 'books' of teaching; + lots of echoes of Moses' story

- e. The one who calls disciples and teaches them the beatitudes (elevating the poor and the dispossessed), the 'antitheses' (contrasting his teaching with that of the Law), and the command to love one's enemies
- f. And, of course, the one who was crucified and raised and who then commands his disciples to make disciples, to baptise them and to teach them 'all that I have commanded you' ch.28:20

5. Who are the disciples and what is the church?

- a. The church (Mt is the only gospel to use the word) is based on the twelve disciples to whom Jesus entrusts his teaching and founded on Peter who has the keys. The disciples will be sent out to make new disciples, baptising them and passing on to them Jesus' commandments. It is a community built on observance of the Law and with its own disciplinary procedures (ch.18). Where the church is gathered Jesus is present: more like Baptists or Presbyterians than Anglicans (at least now)? But then you can find parables like the dragnet (Mt 13:47 -50) which suggest that it is a much broader church
- b. Does the church supersede Israel? Ch.21:43 suggests that it may but it's ambiguous.

6. What do we do about all the fire and brimstone, particularly in light of the heavy emphasis on forgiveness in Matthew?

- a. One of the big dilemmas for all types of churches. If we see the church as a gathering of those committed to Gospel values, who try to live out the Sermon on the Mount, to be pacifists, to embrace a life of poverty, what do we do when members start to ignore these values, take up arms, live ostentatiously, treat those different from themselves with contempt? Where do we draw the line? Is 70 x 7 a final figure (ch18:22) or an indication that you just have to keep on loving your enemies, those who God loves, no matter what? Yet even if you accept that the church will contain people with very different ideas and values, is there not a point where you have to say that certain forms of behaviour/belief are simply not acceptable? We are an inclusive church but we still undertake to protect people in the church from abuse and bullying. Chapter 18, in particular wrestles with these issues.

7. There's lots more in Matthew: some of it will sound strange and fierce, some of it contains some of the most remarkable passages of any sacred texts. It's important to see it as a text where the author is gathering together and preserving the different traditions he has received about Jesus' life and death and resurrection; where he reflects in the light of the Scriptures on what they mean, on the experience of Jesus's presence with the church, as it moves out into a hostile world, and hopes for a new dawn. He is part of a living stream of such reflection, into which he invites us, to understand our calling and to share the rich gifts which are to be found in his work.

CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS IN AUSTRIA

Austria has some very unusual traditions at Christmas, very different from our own.



At the start of Advent the 'Krampus' roam the streets and knock on front doors. They are quite frightening and sometimes threatening.

They come to scare away the evil spirits but also to warn the young in particular to be good.

They are followed by the white angels who comfort and reassure.

Advent too sees biscuit baking day: traditional spiced biscuits, Kipfurl cookies, Linzer tarts, Viennese crescents. They are available everywhere, often free to help yourself.



Joanna: an angel in white

My own family spend a whole day baking together and filling beautiful tins to give away and distribute.

The Christmas markets are famous. Beautiful traditional fare using herbs and fragrances and natural substances. The hot gluwwein is delicious and highly recommended.



Christmas itself is celebrated on Christmas Eve. Only then does the family tree go up and is lit and decorated. This is kept a secret every year and the younger children only see it for the first time when darkness falls. Then the traditional fare in Fuschl am See is fish, fresh from the lake. Presents are exchanged and the church has, as we do, evening services and again on Christmas Day. Christmas Day is usually just a day of recovery. However with my family it is different. Jamie's sister-in-law comes from London so they enjoy a Turkey Christmas Day too.

A delightful visit at this time is to the Egg shop in Salzburg a wonderful treasure house. Thousands of hand painted decorated eggs, a marvel to behold and something exquisite to take home to decorate the tree. Most years in the village it snows which adds a magical quality, with a visit from St Nicholas during Advent and lantern led ski descents down the hills surrounding the village. Austrian Christmas is full of traditions closely observed by the villages in this very catholic country. Christmas has so many lovely happenings. May this one prove to be a happy one for all of us too.

Sheena MacDonald

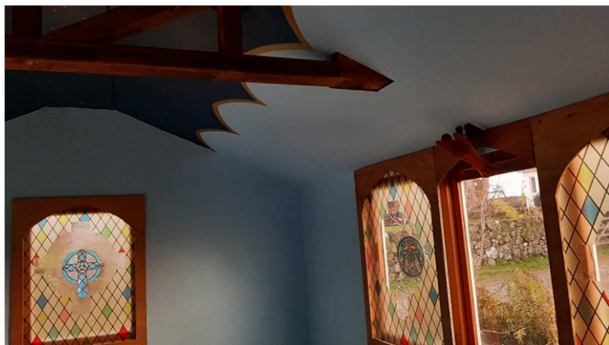


CHAPEL PROGRESS

This is by way of a teaser. The editor has occasionally suggested to me that some photos showing where I've got to with the project in my garden, would be good for the magazine. Mind you, she hasn't nagged me recently, so possibly she has given up expecting anything!

In fact, the chapel, or oratory, as it should probably be known, is getting quite close to completion. The only big challenge left will be the flooring – not a problem in itself, but I have set myself a task in the final detailing that may yet undo me! So I'm not going to tell you about that yet.

I have, however, as many of you know, finished the outside, complete with tower, spire, bell and cross. There is also a little enclosed area to sit in the sun on an old church pew. Inside, I have managed arched windows, stained glass, and a nice paint job. Once that problematic floor has been



dash off after that next!

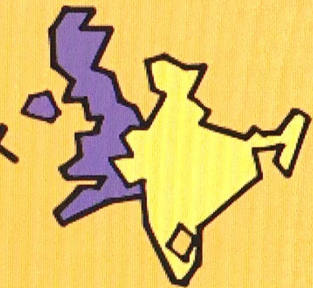
Here are a couple of photos which give a hint without revealing too much of the overall effect.

Mairi Ross

completed, I will still have to fit the oratory out with appropriate furnishings, though I have made a start with that now. We had to dash off to Forfar on Saturday in pursuit of some particularly suitable seating, and if anyone knows of a modestly sized altar/table going for a bargain price, I'll

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Friends of
Vellore^{UK}



Supporting Christian Medical College, Vellore, South India

Restoring sight to the blind

Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore's long-awaited new mobile eye clinic has now arrived and is being used to reach rural communities.



Friends of Vellore UK partnered with their respective organisations in Australia and the USA to enable CMC's ophthalmology department to buy a mobile ophthalmic unit. This was the first of what we hope will be more joint ventures enabling larger scale projects to be funded.

CMC used the money we sent to buy a vehicle shell which they had refurbished and kitted out with equipment, including a laser machine for the treatment of diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma and post-cataract capsule opacification.

This mobile clinic screens and treats patients with diabetic retinopathy as well as other eye disease in rural areas around Vellore. Diabetic retinopathy is a blinding complication of uncontrolled diabetes. However, the blindness due to diabetic retinopathy can be prevented by regular

screening and timely intervention.

The mobile unit will address issues of poor access and follow up. It will make screening accessible to much larger numbers and enable laser treatment in the field for those requiring it. The vehicle is fitted with a canopy to provide shade, a screen on the window that can be used for health education and a glasses dispensary inside.

CMC's ophthalmology outreach work takes place six days a week. In the Jawadhi Hills (population of about 80,000) there are no ophthalmology services or places to buy glasses apart from CMC's new vision centre set up in April 2022. This fixed facility includes a spectacle shop with an optometrist providing primary eye care services.

CMC are extremely grateful to the Friends of Vellore for our generosity and support.

Dr Anika Amritanand, Head of Ophthalmology Outreach Services writes:

Dear Friends,

With great joy and gratitude to God I would like to inform you that the mobile eye clinic finally arrived in Vellore in June. After a staff pool the vehicle was named 'Siloam' after the pool where Jesus healed the blind man. It also means sent, which we again thought was appropriate.

The first outreach clinic was held on 9 September at Marjundapuram village in Kanyambadi block. We would like to thank the Community Health and Development team for all their support in community mobilisation.

We are so very grateful for your generous contributions and immense patience. We pray that this vehicle will be a great blessing to those who need it the most. Please keep us in your prayers.

PORVOO COMMUNION LEADERS URGE ACTION TO STOP UKRAINE WAR

*At an October meeting of the Primates and Presiding Bishops of the Porvoo Communion, the **Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church** was one of 14 signatories to a letter urging the head of the Russian Orthodox Church to persuade the Russian President to stop the war in Ukraine.*

The **Porvoo Communion**, which unites the Anglican Churches in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Iberian Peninsula and Lutheran Churches in Nordic countries, the Baltic, and Great Britain, met in Tampere, Finland, to mark the 25th anniversary of the communion. The Primates' Meeting usually takes place every four years and should have taken place in 2021, but due to the pandemic had been postponed for a year.

In the session on unity, participants shared their horror at the Russian war in Ukraine. All continue to pray for peace and for a just outcome for the people of Ukraine, and for the return of stability to the whole region. At a separate session, the primates and presiding bishops agreed to send a letter to His Holiness Kirill, the Patriarch of Moscow and all Russia, which says:

"Together we want to express our horror at the war in Ukraine, particularly how deeply concerned we are at the renewed systematic targeting of civilians and local infrastructure in your neighbouring country of Ukraine by Russian military. These are acts against humanity, violating the principles of the Geneva conventions, and they bring the war into another level of cruelty and death for the Ukrainian people.

"At this moment, together we call upon you, Your Holiness, to do your utmost to convince the Russian President to immediately halt these attacks and end this war. We as churches should share the joint ecumenical commitments to follow Christ's commission to love and to protect those most vulnerable, and to demonstrate that we all, including Your Holiness, should be peacemakers wherever we are."

"We assure you of our prayers and trust that you will do everything in your power to influence those making these decisions that escalate the war and other decisions made to destabilize Ukraine. For the sake of all, including the soldiers and their families in Russia, we urge your Holiness to do whatever is in your power to bring this war to an end."

The full letter and more information can be found on the SEC website

<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/>

A CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGNED BY SUSAN GRAY



Wishing all our readers a very happy Christmas
and best wishes for the New Year

SUNDAY SERVICES IN DECEMBER

Services will be held both in Church and on Zoom at 10.30 am
Zoom Meeting Number 913-382-1554 Password Housegrp
Please remember to mute yourself during the service.

Date Sunday	4 December Advent 2 (Purple)	11 December Advent 3 (Purple)	18 December Advent 4 (Purple)	25 December Christmas Day (White)
Celebrant	Rev David Cameron	Rev Neil Heavisides	TBA	TBA
10.30 Service	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist
Stewards	Pauline Waugh	Andrew Long	Janet Stack	Brenda Hadcroft
Eucharistic Assistants	Graham	Hanan	Jenny	Celia
Readings	Isaiah 11:1-10 Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12	Isaiah 35:1-10 James 5:7-10 Matthew 11:2-11	Isaiah 7:10-16 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-end	Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-4 John 1:1-14 or Isaiah 9:2-7 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-20
Reader	David Hamblen	Bryan Stack	Sheena MacDonald	Gillian Kingslake
Intercessor	David Simmons	Louise Benson	Andrew Long	Celia Fisher
After-service Coffee	Sheena MacDonald Kate Ross	Brenda Hadcroft Janet Lewis	John Brooker Joyce James	
Other events	There will be a said Eucharist on Wednesday December 7th 11.30am			
	There are plans for a family Carol Service, late afternoon on Christmas Eve, led by Andrea, including members of St Andrew's Church. More details will be given in church and on the All Saints website.			

SUNDAY SERVICES IN JANUARY

Services will be held both in Church and on Zoom at 10.30 am
Zoom Meeting Number 913-382-1554 Password Housegrp
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Date Sunday	1 January 2 nd Sunday of Christmas (white)	8 January Epiphany (white)	15 January 2 nd Sunday of Epiphany (white)	22 January 3 rd Sunday of Epiphany (white)	29 January Candlemas Presentation of Christ in the Temple (white)
Celebrant	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
10.30 Service	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist
Stewards	Joyce James	David Hamblen	Tracey Conway	Celia Fisher	Kate Ross
Eucharistic Assistants	Louise	Graham	Hanan	Celia	Catriona
Readings	Isaiah 63:7-9 Hebrews 2:10-end Matthew 2:13-end	Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12	Isaiah 49:1-7 I Corinthians 1:1-9 John 1:29-42	Isaiah 9:1-4 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Matthew 4:12-23	Malachi 3:1-5 Hebrews 2:14-end Luke 2:22-40
Reader	Gill Hamblen	Richard Kingslake	Janet Stack	Graham Caie	David Simmons
Intercessor	David Hamblen	Sheena MacDonald	David Simmons	Louise Benson	Andrew Long
After-service Coffee	Volunteers welcome	Tracey Pauline	Fiona Gillian	Kate Sheena	Jane Brenda
Other events	There will be a said Eucharist on Wednesday January 11th 11.30am (not January 4 th)				

The Editor for the February edition will be Janet Stack. Please send articles to janet.stack@btinternet.com by **Sunday 22nd January, 2023.**