

The United Benefice of Bengeworth, Hampton, Sedgeberrow and Hinton-on-the-Green

Welcome  **ST. PETER'S BENGEWORTH**  **EVESHAM**

Worshipping Jesus in a Growing Community - www.bengeworthchurch.co.uk

Pewsheets for Sunday 10th December 2017

Welcome: We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our services and events, especially if you are new to the area or visiting us for the first time. Please stay for coffee/tea afterwards so we can meet together.

Today's Services - Second Sunday of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion (said) <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>
10.00am	Parish Eucharist <i>Rev's Mark Binney</i>
Readings (overleaf)	Ros Harvey & Dave Cockram
Intercessions	Lucy Vincent-Daviss
Hymns: Green book	102; 538; 831; 249; 429
Special Collection	The loose plate collection today will go to support the Friends of the Holy Land .
4.00pm	Candlelit Memorial Service and the lighting of the Tree of Light
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church

This Week's Church Diary

Mon 11	11.00am 7.30pm 7.30pm	Funeral of Linda King in church Avon Singers Concert in church Bengeworth PCC Standing Committee
Tue 12	10.00am 1.30pm 1.45pm	Holy Communion in church Bengeworth Academy rehearsal till 2.30 Funeral of Harry Hughes at Worc Crem
Wed 13	1.15pm 2.30pm 3.00pm	St. Richard's School rehearsal Funeral of Geoffrey Street at Chelt Crem Communion at Austen Court
Thu 14	10.00am 1.30pm 7.00pm	St. Richard's School Carol Service in church Bengeworth Academy rehearsal till 2.30 Asum Youth Group in church
Fri 15	10.00am 7.00pm	Bengeworth Academy Christingle Service Church Choir Practice (Bostock Room)

Next Sunday, 17th December - 3rd of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion (said) <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>	Readings (Advent 3, Yr B) ◆ Isaiah 61. 1-4, 8-11 ◆ 1 Thessalonians 5. 16-24 ◆ John 1. 6-8, 19-28
10.00am	Parish Eucharist <i>Rev'd Canon Michael Grylls</i>	
4.00pm	Christmas Carol Service with Blessing of the Crib "The Dawn of Hope" - St. Luke's telling of the story of Christ our Light coming into the world	
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church	

Thanks for the Presents...



The staff at the Children's Centre asked me to pass on their thanks for the Christmas gifts. We provided gifts for specific children and many other gifts. I delivered 66 parcels in all. Once again, on behalf of everyone at the centre, and the families who will receive the gifts, "Thank you". *Marie Bomyer*

Cleaning Rota 2018

The new cleaning rota for next year is available for collection at the back of church. Thank you to all those who help - and to Jenny Law for organising us.



Memorial Service & Tree of Light



Our annual **Candlelit Memorial Service** will be held **today, 10th December at 4pm**. We have invited the families of those who have died during the past year, and the commemoration will include the names of those whose funerals we have taken during that period. Our Tree of Light will be lit during this service. If you would like a light to shine in memory of a loved-one, please contact Sandra Cockram 01386 832676 today.

For our Prayers this week

- + the tensions caused over the status of Jerusalem; for the present crisis to kickstart a roadmap to a just and peaceful solution for the Holy Land;
- + Zimbabwe and her people; for the rebuilding of that nation and hopes of a more democratic future;
- + Those responsible for negotiating the UK's future relationship with the European Union; for the safeguarding of the peace in Northern Ireland;
- + those who work in the retail trades and all the extra pressure on them at this busy time of year; the businesses of Evesham and district; those companies struggling with the current uncertainty;
- + security officials around the world having to be constantly on the alert; those policing big events this month;



For those who are sick, in special need or housebound: Janet Bailey, Beattie Ballard, Pearl Bradley, Daniel Crockford; Richard Emson, Sylvia Emson, Betty Gadsby; Barbara Line, James Lynch; Judith Smart; Ken Smith.

For those who have died, and all who mourn them: Violet Smith; Linda King; Harry Hughes; Geoffrey Street; Hannah Huckfield



Our Benefice is part of the Asum Group of Parishes

Large print service and hymn books are available at the back of Church. Please ask the welcomers - or help yourself!



This church has an audio loop system

CHURCH CONTACTS

Benefice Office, normally staffed 9.15am to 1.15pm Mon-Fri. Call Elaine or Nick on **01386 446381** or email: office@hamptonchurch.org.uk

News Extra - Sunday 10th December 2017

from around and beyond our Churches

This week



A Christmas Concert by The Avon Singers

In aid of A.C.E.S.
(Aid for Children of EL Salvador)

St Peter's Church, Bengeworth
Monday 11th December at 7.30pm

Tickets available on door £8
Seasonal Refreshments



Sedgeberrow Coffee Morning & Christmas Fayre



Saturday 16th December 10am,
in church

Coffee & Mince pies; Raffle; Adult
& Children's Tombola; Christmas
Decorations and other Stalls



Everyone welcome

All glory be to God on high...!

Evesham Parish Carol Service
at All Saints

including choir from Prince Henry's High School
Friday 15th December at 6.00 pm



Carol Singing at The Fairfield

Saturday 16th December

For details contact Sarah 429122
Led by Fairfield Church - Come and
join in!

Carolling in our Benefice

Sunday 17th December

Carol Service 4.00pm @ Bengeworth
Carol & Christingle 4.00pm @ Hampton



Sunday 24th December - Christmas Eve

Crib Service 3.00pm @ Hampton
Crib Service 4.00pm @ Bengeworth
Crib & Carol Service 6.00pm @ Sedgeberrow

Did you know? Our Pewsheets and
the Newsheet Extra are available
online (2 pages in one document) each
week by Friday lunchtime at
www.hamptonchurch.org.uk - click on 'Downloads'



Notes from our Diocese

The brand new 'A Church Near You' website
is now live: www.achurchnearyou.com. The
site receives more than 13 million
page views each year! If you are
away - and want to find out what's
going on in local CofE churches,
this is the place to look!



We are looking for someone with a rural
perspective to serve on the **Diocesan
Investment and Glebe Committee**. Do you
know someone who might be interested?
Please call Diocesan HQ on 01905 20537.

Gambling Consultation:

General Synod member,
Sarah Brush would like to
draw attention to and
encourage participation in the
Government's consultation on
fixed odds betting terminals. [www.gov.uk/
government/consultations](http://www.gov.uk/government/consultations). Have your say. Our
General Synod is calling for a cut stake on
Fixed Odds Betting Terminals to £2 from £100.



Holland House (Cropthorne) is
offering delicious freshly cooked **Christmas
lunches or dinners throughout December**. In
a wonderfully peaceful atmosphere with roaring
fires and good company. For more information
please call 01386 860330 or e-mail
enquiries@hollandhouse.org. Lunch
on Wednesday 20 December will be
followed by carol singing.



#GodWithUs - the Church of England's Advent
and Christmas campaign - has started! Watch
the first video and sign up to join the Christmas
Journey on the website.

Care Home Ministry Update

The next service at **The Hawthorns** will be a
Communion (shared from the 10am service at St.
Andrew's) this Wednesday 13th December, 3pm.

There will be **Carol Services** at our Care Homes next
month - and we would be very grateful for help with
singing and helping people to follow the words:

- ⇒ The Hawthorns - Tues 19th
December, 2pm
- ⇒ Austen Court - Thurs 21st
December, 6pm

