

NOTICES

The **Advent Carol Service** takes place on Sunday December 9th at St Mary's, Old Dilton. Please would you add your name to the list in All Saints' or Holy Saviour, if you are able to provide some mince pies.

The 'Beautiful Windows' of All Saints' Westbury

This booklet, that would make a excellent Christmas gift, will be available to purchase at the Christmas Tree Festival and in All Saints Church on all Saturdays in December 10am—4pm and from the church after service. Price £5.

Mothers Union thanks all those who gave items for the Salisbury Womens Refuge. They were gratefully received.

Thank you to all who arranged and help at the recent Christmas Bingo evening and the Christmas Coffee morning. The Bingo evening raised £154 and the coffee morning £320 for All Saints Church funds.

Music at All Saints' Westbury

It is with deep regret that Brian Martin has resigned as our Director of Music, with immediate effect, due to a severe deterioration in his eyesight. He may occasionally play for weddings or funerals but playing for Sunday worship is no longer feasible for him. Please pray for Brian as he comes to terms with this life-changing development. PCC discussed the situation at its meeting this week and believe we need to consult widely on the way forward for our musical provision. In the short term we will be working hard to find cover for the major services through Advent, Christmas and beyond but organists are a rare breed and we may need to use other resources from time to time. Please pray for our choir and instrumentalists as they continue to serve us through their musical gifts. If you know of organists, pianists and others who may be able to help please sound them out and let Rhona, Ruth Hann or other PCC members know.

There is a collection being taken for Brian and a card to sign. If you wish to make a donation please see Ruth Hann or bring it to the team office by the 16th Dec. Thank you

Warminster & District Food Bank. Donations of

- cereals,
- Instant mashed or tinned potatoes
- tinned milk pudding

Please take items to All Saints' Church, Holy Trinity Church Or DIRECTLY TO Crosspoint.

Christmas Request

Warminster and District Food Bank fill 'goody bags' at Christmas for families in need. Please consider donating items such as mince pies, Christmas cake, Christmas puddings, bars of chocolate, chocolates, good quality biscuits.

This month there will be a combined '**Pints of View'** held at the Hollies on Wednesday 19th December at 7pm

Fully Alive Group will not meet during Advent. The first meeting in 2019 will be at 2.30pm on 11th January at Crosspoint.

Exploring the Bible Group, meet at Crosspoint, in the Market Place. All are welcome. For further details please contact Lyn Weekley

Westbury Prayer Network. Telephone requests in confidence to Lynette Weekley (858361).

Dilton Marsh Prayer Group. If you would like to join the prayer group, or have a prayer request, in confidence, please contact Susan on 01373 672280

Worship next Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion - A/S
9.30am	All Age Communion—A/S
10.00am	Café Church—WJS
10.00am	Holy Communion—H/T
11.00am	Holy Communion H/S
12.30pm	Holy Baptism—A/S
4.00pm	Advent Carol Service—O/D
6.00pm	Evening Service— M/C
7.15pm	Silent Prayer—A/S

Key: A/S - All Saints, Westbury

H/S - Holy Saviour, Westbury Leigh

WPH - Westbury Parish Hall

M/C - Methodist Church, Westbury

WEB - West End Baptist Church

WLCH - Westbury Leigh Community Hall

B/W - All Saints, Brokerswood

H/T - Holy Trinity, Dilton Marsh

Mem - Memorial Hall, Dilton Marsh

URC - United Reformed church,

WJS - Westbury Junior School



WHITE HORSE TEAM MINISTRY

Notices for the week:

2nd—8th December 2018

Welcome to Worship

There is some provision for children at each of our churches, please feel free to make use of the facilities provided.

8.00am	Holy Communion - A/S
9.30am	Parish Communion—A/S
10.00am	Holy Communion—H/T
11.00am	Holy Communion H/S
4.00pm	Christingle Service—A/S
6.00pm	Evening Service— M/C
7.15pm	Silent Prayer—A/S

Monday:
6.30pm Rotary Carol Service—A/S

Tuesday:
9.00am Morning Prayer— Lady Chapel A/S
2.30pm Town Prayers— Methodist Church

Wednesday:
9.30am First Steps to Worship –A/S
10.30am Holy Communion – A/S

There are a number of large print hymn books and service books available at all churches. If you would benefit from using one please ask the sides-people.

Offertory cards are available now in each of the churches. You are invited to place one in the collection plate during the service if you are giving by other means but wish to be included in the offertory.

NOTICES FOR PEWSHEET MUST BE EMAILED OR SUBMITTED TO OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 2PM FOR INCLUSION THAT WEEK.
office@whtministry.org.uk

The office is open on Monday and Friday 1.30- 4.00pm .

Advent Sunday — 2nd December 2018

Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Reading : Jeremiah 33. 14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Gospel : Luke 21: 25-36

There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near.

So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Advent Wreath

WEEK 1

People of God: Awake!

The day is coming soon when you shall see God face to face. Remember the ways and works of God.

God calls you out of darkness to walk in the light of his coming. You are God's children.

Lord, make us one as we walk with Christ today and forever. Amen



Visio divina

Visio divina shares roots with the ancient practice of lectio divina instead of words we use images.

Through the Advent period, there will be two suggested pictures which can be found online one traditional and one contemporary. Choose one that captivates you the most.

Search: The Annunciation by Fr John Giuliani

Search: The Annunciation Fra Angelico

Look at the image and let your eyes stay with the very first thing that you see. Keep your attention on that one part of the image that first catches your eye. Try to keep your eyes from wandering to other parts of the picture. *Breathe deeply and let yourself gaze* at that part of the image for a minute or so.

Now, let your eyes gaze at the whole image. Take your time and look at every part of the image. See it all.

Reflect on the image for a minute or so.

Consider the following questions:

What emotions does this image evoke in you?

What does the image stir up in you, bring forth in you?

Does this image lead you into an attitude of prayer? If so, let these prayers take form in you. Write them down if you desire.

Offer your prayers to God in a final time of silence.

**All readings are taken from NRSV
Readings for next week**

Reading: Malchi 3. 1-4

Gospel: Luke 1 68-79