



Tuesday 24th December 2024

Christmas Eve

4.00 p.m. Crib Service
 11.30 p.m. Midnight Mass

Collect for Midnight Mass

Eternal God, who made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of your one true light: bring us, who have known the revelation of that light on earth, to see the radiance of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Service Readings for Midnight Mass

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 (*p.290*)
 Romans 16:25-end (*p.161*)
 Luke 1:26-38 (*p.54*)

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All-Age Family Communion

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Please pray for

... Shirley Parfoot, Rupert Tear, Lucy Wallis and Roger Young.
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Post Communion Prayer

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God our Father, in this night you have made known to us again the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him until the day dawns and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts. To him be glory both now and for ever. **Amen**

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God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord. **Amen**



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We're now on the home straight. Those of you who have not yet given, please do so as soon as possible and by the end of the year at the latest. We're aiming to raise £300,000 towards the cost of the project in order to attract grant funding in the new year. Please give as generously as you possibly can!

A huge thank you to our wonderful flower team who have made the church look so special this Christmas – as they do throughout the year. Thank you!

The Office over Christmas: The office will be closed from Christmas Day through to Sunday 5th January. Trish will be back at her desk on Monday 6th.

Weekday Services over Christmas: There will be no Morning Prayer or Thursday Communion during the week beginning 29th December.

Daily Readings for the rest of this week

Thurs 26th Ps. 13, Jeremiah 26:12-15, Acts 6

Fri 27th Ps. 21, Exodus 33:12-end, 1 John 2:1-11

Sat 28th Ps. 36, Genesis 37:13-20, Matthew 18:1-10

Service Readings for Sunday 29th December – First Sunday of Christmas

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Colossians 3:12-17 and Luke 2:41-52

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We wish you a peaceful and very happy Christmas





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