



REACHING WIDER... *with the compassion of Jesus*

REACHING DEEPER... *into the heart of God*

Sunday 1st December First Sunday of Advent

St Aidan's

10:30am Morning Worship

Leader: Alison Ashton

Preacher: Andrea Beeston

Reading: Luke 1 verses 1-25

St Joseph's

9:00am Morning Worship

Leader: Derek D'Souza

Preacher: Joshua Blunt

10:30am Morning Worship

Leader: Pam Teece

Preacher: Joshua Blunt

Readings: Isaiah 53 verses 1-6 &

1 Peter 2 verses 21-25

St Philip's

9:00am Morning Worship

10:30am Holy Communion

Leader: Janine Wright

Preacher: Nick Smith

Reading: Luke 1 verses 1-15



Sunday 8th December

St Aidan's

10:30am

Holy Communion

St Joseph's

9:00am & 10:30am

Morning Worship

St Philip's

9:00am

Holy Communion

10:30am

Morning Worship



PARISH NOTICES

Parish Weekly Prayer Gathering Monday 2nd December between 7.00 and 7.30 pm. We are holding weekly gatherings to focus on prayer during and for the vacancy. These are at St Philip's and will also be available on Zoom for those that cannot make it in person

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72418971704?pwd=bJ2n8ZgZSyQD4TSZQwE1Um9nlhGZyt.1>



St Philip's Tuesday's 9.30-11.30 am. Come and enjoy fellowship and free refreshments.

St Joseph's Tuesday's 12.30-2.30pm come and enjoy a safe warm place, get to know people, have a hot drink and a small bite to eat.

The Well Reverse Advent Calendar If you want to support this please pick up your Reverse Advent Calendar, available in all three churches.



iKnowChurch

iKnow Church is a communication and information tool which PCC have decided is a good way to improve how we communicate, manage information and coordinate events across our churches and parish, and also keep in contact with visitors and those in our community that we come into contact with. You may have received an email (or will shortly) to set your password and update your profile, please do this, especially the section about how you are happy receive communications and also the box for Data Protection. Everyone will also be given a Data Protection form to complete to ensure we are GDPR compliant. Please speak to Joshua, Nick or Julie (Parish Office) if you want more information.

PARISH CHILDREN & YOUTH

Little Gems (0-5 yrs) Mondays 1:00 – 2:30 pm at St Aidan's
St Joseph's Playgroup, Tuesday & Thursday mornings for 2-4 year olds
Stay & Play, Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00 am at St Joseph's
Adventurers, Wednesdays, 4-5:30 pm at St Joseph's
Busy Bees, Thursdays, 9:30 – 11 am at St Philip's
JAM Sundays at St Philip's 10:30 am service
Path, Sundays at St Philip's 10:30 am service
Young Adults Sundays at St Philip's, 6:30 – 8:00 pm (Ages 15-22 yrs)



Bible studies Monday 2nd December 7:30pm and
Wednesday 4th December 1:30pm

Light Lunch Tuesday 3rd December 12 noon, please sign
the list if you are coming.

Christmas giving to The Haven Cash donations need to be in church by
December 1st, and unwrapped gifts for the ladies (eg chocolates, toiletries)
by December 15th. Thank you.

Men's breakfast There will be no Men's Breakfast in December. The next
one will be on January 25th at 8.30am.

Dates for carol singing

Wednesday 18th December 2.00-3.00pm at
Cedar Lodge

Friday 20th December 11.00am-1.00pm at
Hickson's. Penn Road



Oasis Service Wednesday 4th December 11:00 am.
Please join us for tea or coffee after the service.

The Hub Wednesday 4th December lunch is served at
12.30pm, costing £4.50 for 2 courses plus tea and coffee.



1st December 2:00-5:00pm. Hopefully,
you have heard about our Kick Start
Christmas event, it promises to be a great
afternoon connecting with our community.

There will be gift stalls, refreshments, live music and children's activities. Don't
forget to invite your family, friends and neighbours.

Operation Christams Child We sent 51 filled shoeboxes to bless a child this
Christmas. Thank you.

Save the date: On Sunday 12th January we will be presenting the Mission
Action Plan (MAP) to the church family. Hopefully, you are aware that the
leadership team have been working on the MAP over the past 16 months,
this process has finally come to and end. To ensure that all members of the
church are aware of the plans we have decided to have **ONE service on
this date at 10am**, following the service we will have a bring and share
lunch followed by a presentation



Carpet Bowls Thursday 5th December 12:30-2:30pm.
We are holding our Christmas charity table, please come and support us.

St Joes Café will be open on Saturday 30th November 11:00am to 2:00pm and Saturday 7th December 10.30am to 1.00pm

Pre-owned & greeting cards sale Saturday 7th December 10:30am-1:00pm.

Christmas flowers Chris Perry would appreciate cash donations towards the flowers. Thank you

St Joseph's Church Family Christmas Party
Saturday 14th December 10.00am-2.00pm.
Children's gifts, visit Santa in his grotto, Christmas snacks, arts & crafts, games, face painting and Christmas Karaoke. Everyone welcome.



PENN FIELDS PRAYERS

Prayer for Advent

Gracious Father, this week, we begin the journey of Advent. This is the season of expectation and anticipation, a time of preparation and confession. Help us to be 'Advent People', people with hope, ready to do your will. Give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light. Send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas, we have so much to do, help us to seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day as we look forward to your holy birth. Amen

Parish Office will be closed Thursday 5th December in the morning but will be open in the afternoon from 1.00-4.00pm.

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