



DORCHESTER
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St Peter's, St Andrew's, St Mary's,
St George's, St Simon & St Jude

26th November 2017

Christ the King

Collect

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Readings Ezekiel 34. 11-16, 20-24 Matthew 25. 31-end
Ephesians 1.15-end

Post Communion

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer during the week in Dorchester & West Stafford

Monday—St Peter's 9.15am, St Mary's 5.30pm

Tuesday—St Mary's 9.00am

Wednesday—St George's 9.15am, St Andrew's 4.30pm

Thursday—St Peter's 9.15am & noon, St Mary's 5.30pm

Friday—St Mary's 9.00am

Responsorial Psalm : Psalm 95 v1-7

Response: O come let us worship and bow down and kneel before our Maker.

- 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving
and be glad in him with psalms. (R)
- 3 For the Lord is a great God
and a great king above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth
and the heights of the mountains are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land. (R)
- 6 Come, let us worship and bow down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God;
we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. (R)

Sudan Prayers

At the inauguration of new Province of Sudan and of Archbishop Ezekiel Kondo there was encouraging reaction from government officials in Khartoum, who very publicly expressed willingness to work with the Anglican church. We pray this willingness will be expressed for the peoples of Sudan.

This evening - 6.30pm Evensong at St George's

Tuesday 28 November

9.30am Holy Eucharist at St Mary's—**cancelled**, due to Funeral Eucharist of Peter Woodward at **10.30am**

Wednesday 29 November

5.00pm Contemplative Prayer Group at St Mary's

Thursday 30 November

10.00am Said Eucharist at St Peter's

10.00am Holy Communion at St George's

Sunday 3 December Advent Sunday

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| St George's | 8.00am | BCP Holy Communion |
| | 10.15am | Advent Carol Service |
| | 4.30pm | Christingle |

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| St Mary's | 8.00am | Holy Eucharist (said) |
| | 9.45am | Holy Eucharist (sung) Toy Service |
| | 6.00pm | Taize |

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| St Peter's | 9.00am | Holy Communion |
| | 10.30am | Sung Eucharist |
| | 6.00pm | Darkness to Light—An Advent service |

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| St Andrew's | 10.00am | Parish Communion |
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Please let Claire McClelland (tel: 570733, email: clairemcclelland@icloud.com) know of names you wish to be included below. Names will be listed for one calendar month and can be re-submitted by ringing Claire.

Our aim is to ensure this important ministry of Intercession remains up-to-date Please remember to use the Prayer Request Book in your church.

For your prayers this week: Brianna & Braxton, Michael Pain, Betty Appleyard, Hannah, Tilly, Christine Peake, Edmund Clancy, Ed Pope, Rae Kozary, Joan Hodgkins, Dee Few, Stephen Hutchings, Jan Taylor, Tony Wheeler *and all those who are cared for in Dorset County Hospital, Community Hospitals and Hospice.*

Those who have died recently: Trevor Brown, Peter Woodward, Richard Allen, Beryl Meyers, Nancy Childs

Those whose years mind falls this week: Anthony McDermott, Joyce Maxwell, Edna Fincham, Barbara Buswell, Karen Galloway, June Hogarth, Chris Dufall, Sherrill Fell, Dot Williams.

St Peter's Church

Service this morning at 9am and at 10.30am: Rev Claire McClelland.

Anthem at 10.30am: King of all ages, throned on high –*Isom*

We welcome baby Tilly Shaw and her family as they celebrate her baptism.

Christmas Market: 2nd December, 10am-1pm

If you are bringing **home-made goods** for the Market, it would be a huge help if they could arrive **at church from 2pm onwards on Friday 1 December. Do invite friends and family to the event** – there will be a Father Christmas for children to visit and the choir will be singing too. There are **small flyers available today** so if you can take some and pass them on to friends or display them somewhere suitable please do take some.

Many thanks to everyone who has donated raffle prizes, including local businesses: Plaza Cinema, Tesco's and House of Dorchester chocolates. Also to Poundbury Garden Centre for donating a Christmas tree.

Advent Sunday 3rd December: Darkness and Light – a candlelit service for Advent at 6pm – all welcome

Church cleaning: Due to the Christmas Market church cleaning will be on Saturday 9th December at 9.30am.

Jim Philips Memorial Bench: Jim's friends have put a bench in his memory just down from St Peter's on Cornhill and we will be gathering to bless it on Saturday 9th December at 10.30am – all welcome.

Any items for Pews News? Please ring Claire McClelland on 01305 570733 or email on clairemcclelland@icloud.com

Churchwardens: Val Potter on 264416 and Helen Lange on 561410
Find St Peter's on Facebook at www.facebook.com

St Andrew's Church, West Stafford

To celebrate St Andrew's day on **Thursday 30th November** there will be a service of Midday prayer at 12 noon followed by a Bring and Share lunch in church. Please put any donations of store cupboard groceries; pasta, rice, tinned meat and vegetables for distribution in to those in need in Crossways in the box at the back of the church

Next **Sunday 3rd December** is **Advent** Sunday there are a limited number of places for Sunday lunch together on that day. Please sign the list at the back₄ of the church

St George's Church Sign up, sign up! If you would like to read at the **carol service 4:30 Dec 17th** please choose a reading and sign the sheet at the back of church.

Pink Freewill giving envelope packs for 2018 are now available at the back of church for those of you who partake in the scheme

If you would like to help at the **Midnight Communion 11pm Dec 24th** or **Christmas Day 10:15** by reading, intercessions or serving, please sign up on the list on the Rota board at the back of Church.

Sponsor one of our new hymn book and choose your favourite hymn ready for our **Songs of praise January 21st 10:15**

Come along and bring a friend too There are lots of activities happening over Christmas, why not ask a friend or neighbour to come along with you. Please also take some flyers and cards so people know what's happening.

Midday Prayer with prayers for healing **Tuesday December 5th 12 noon** with a light lunch after if you are able to stay.

Explore or Refresh. If you would like to join the Alpha course, or know someone who would, please ring the Parish office, or pick up a form from the back.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Richard Ellerby will be held here at St George's on **Thursday 14 December** at 11.30am to which you are very welcome. Please be praying for Rosemary and the family.

Carols on the Green, 6pm Friday 1st December. The first of the season and (we think) the best! Come along, sing carols and celebrate God becoming man in Bethlehem. Even better, invite family, friends and neighbours to sing and hear about the day that changed the world. And after you've sung the best of the best, see the Christmas Tree Festival in the church. (It won't rain, will it? But if it does, Carols on the Green happens in the church.)

St George's Christmas Tree Festival will take place in church on 1st – 4th December.

Admission is free but donations for programmes welcome. There will be Coffee and cake available to buy from the Christmas Café throughout the weekend. Come and enjoy the beautiful trees and the wonderful atmosphere. The festival is open Friday 1st 7 – 9pm, Saturday 2nd 11am – 7pm, Sunday 3rd 12 – 4pm and Monday 4th 12 – 4pm.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE. St George's on Sunday 3rd December at 4.30pm. Everyone welcome.

We will be holding our usual **Christmas Day Lunch** in St George's Church Hall at 1 p.m. The cost will be £8 per person. All are welcome but please contact Val Scriven (265177) to book your place.

"**Lunch Club members are reminded that on Saturday, 2nd December** we shall be meeting at the Junction Hotel, 12.30 for 1 p.m. for those who have booked. If you have not already booked and would like to attend please contact Val on 265177. There will of course be no lunch at the Church hall that day."

CALLING ALL COOKS Can you help us provide edible support when people need it the most? Our new Food for Friends initiative has already supported people through the happiest and saddest of times with homemade meals and cakes. We now have a new opportunity to cook coming up, so it feels like a good time to invite more people to join our friendly team of chefs and bakers. No kitchen qualifications needed just a willingness to put your heart in to creating some wholesome food every now and then. Please contact anita_eley@yahoo.co.uk / 07967 984391 if you are interested in cooking, or if you know of someone who could do with this kind of support. Thank you! Anita

Thursday Group meets on the 2nd Thursday of most months in St. George's Church Hall. Please see details on **team notice board**.

St George's Facebook page: @StGeorgeDorchester

St Mary's Church *The Sanctuary Lamp Candle is given by Di House in memory of her brother Martin whose years mind falls at this time. Also by Jan Milree in thanksgiving for the birth of her grandson Jack.*

Anthem: Let all mortal flesh - Cleobury

Prayer Ministry will be available in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel after the 9.45am service for yourself or others, or prayer requests can be put in the book outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. **Thursday evenings, 6.00-7.00**, St Mary's Office Hour in Church Vestry, off Alexandra Road, to organise weddings or baptisms. Just drop in. **Facebook users please follow St Mary's Dorchester** and help us all to keep in touch: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-Dorchester-672844449522662> Alternatively you can click on the link on St Mary's page on benefice website.

A craft group meet 2-4pm in the choir vestry Monday afternoons.

Contemplative prayer group Wednesday at 5pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel Come and join us for 20 minutes of silence, all are welcome. The Contemplative prayer group which meets in the Quiet Space will now meet every Thursday at 6pm

The Funeral Eucharist for Peter Woodward will be on Tuesday 28 November at 10.30am

Church Cleaning will take place on Thursday 30th November from 10am to 12 noon. More brass cleaner etc needed. Come for coffee, biscuits and chat.

After the service on 3 December the new worshipping community photograph will be taken by Richard Budd

ST MARY'S CHRISTINGLE PREPARATIONS A working party will be getting together to prepare the Christingle oranges etc on **Saturday 9 December** at 10.30am in the Choir Vestry, and extra hands are always very welcome. If you would like to help us and enjoy some good company (and refreshments) please let Ellie, Trudy or Cynthia know. We look forward to seeing you. Thank you. Susan and Jill.

Delivery of our Christmas leaflets will take place on **Sunday 3rd December** at 2pm. As always this will be followed by refreshments at the Rectory. I am always very grateful for your help so if you are unavailable on that day, please take a bundle to deliver at your convenience. Thank you in anticipation of many hands. Kath Joslin Tel: 268803

Tea by the Tree will this year be held on Saturday 9th December at 4pm. This is a lovely occasion, a time for laughter and friendship amidst the hustle and bustle that Christmas always brings. There will be some music and entertainment. There are no tickets, all we ask if possible is that you bring a plate of sweet/savoury food to share. There will be a list at the back of the church. If you are unable to do this, don't worry! Everyone is welcome. Any queries please see the usual suspects; Ellie, Trudy, Jan, Philippa, Joyce Rosemary or Kath

TEAM NOTICE BOARD

Men's Breakfast – 2nd Saturday of the month rotating around different venues in Dorchester. Next Meeting **9 December 2017 at Taste Restaurant, Trinity Street, Dorchester.** All welcome to join us at the Restaurant for fine food and conversation. Please contact Kenneth Addison for further details on 250808.

Ladies Breakfast The Christmas Champagne Breakfast will be at the Wise Man Pub In West Stafford on **9th December** at 9.30am. Cost £19 a deposit of £10 is required. Tel : Maureen Shaw on 01305 261771

HOME BIBLE STUDY GROUP: 7.30 –9pm at 30 Grosvenor Road, we shall be studying St John's Gospel. Contact Celia Robertson on 257612.

Wed 29 November—Dorcas MU Bible study group meet at 10am at 2 Colliton Walk Details 260259

Healing Services. . The Meditative Communion with Prayers for Wholeness and Healing at St Mary's will now be on the 2nd Sunday of alternate months. **St George's will be having Midday prayer with Prayers for Healing on Tuesdays on alternate months followed by a light lunch of soup and rolls.** Please see the full lists of dates on the poster in the Churches.

MONDAY CLUB – ST MARY'S HALL, ALEXANDRA ROAD.

THE THURSDAY GROUP ST GEORGE'S CHURCH HALL FORDINGTON

The Thursday Group will be holding its Christmas meeting on Thursday, 14th December (2.15 pm – 4.00 pm) at St. George's Hall, Fordington. There will be carols and songs, a brain teasing quiz and a raffle. The afternoon will also provide the perfect opportunity to meet with friends over a cup of tea and a mince pie. (Entrance fee £1). For more information contact Vernon Moffet 259755

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ALPHA COURSE Dorchester and the Winterbourne Team Ministry are running an Alpha course at St George's on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm starting on 17th January. We believe that everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone's welcome. It runs in cafés, churches, universities, homes—you name it. No two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things in common: food, a talk and good conversation. If you are interested in exploring faith and would like to join us please phone the Parish office 01305 250719.



*The
Quiet
Space*

Lunchtime Holy Communion - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 12.30pm. Everyone is warmly invited to this reflective and informal service in the style of the Iona Community. Next date **20th December** Further information on The Quiet Space www.thequietspacedorchester.

St Peter's home-made Christmas Market on 2 December 10am-1pm. Seasonal food, gifts, carol-singing and visit Father Christmas for an early present!

On Advent Sunday, December 3rd at 3pm, the Occasional Singers (director Dr Richard Hall) are giving a **concert of music for Advent** in St Mary's church. Entry is free, and there will be a retiring collection for Parkinson's UK

25th November – 10th December 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE (GBV). I would like to signpost you to the **BIBLE REFLECTION – Let's talk about it** on the website www.themothersunion.org/content/16-days-activism-2017 which is the Old Testament account of the rape by Amnon of his half-sister Tamar in **2 Samuel 13** and is, for obvious reasons, often used as an example of the evil of GBV and God's condemnation of it.

Remnants - Does God work best with small numbers? What does he do with the left-overs? Three evenings looking at what Remnant might have meant in the Old Testament and in the Church today. **Thursdays 14 December, 21 December and 11 January 7.00pm at the Rectory**. Wherever you worship, you will be very welcome, but please let David Bowen (01305 263584) know if you intend to join in (just in case we are overwhelmed) Put the dates in your diary now!

Dorchester Strollers: *Monday 27 November - 10.30am Brownsword Hall
Tuesday 28 November—2.15pm North Square*

Next week's readings

Isaiah 64 1-9 Mark 13 24-end
I Corinthians 1 3-9

For your information, if you need to communicate a change of information: for example the change of a service time that would need to be updated in Pews News, Parish Magazine or Benefice Website, please can you email using the following address; news@dorchesteranglican.info

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