

## **SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

Second Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Parish Eucharist (*live-streamed*)  
11.30am Holy Baptism  
4.00pm Christingle

## **MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

10.30am – 1.00pm Big Clean      7.45pm-9.30pm Bellringers Practice Night

## **TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

9.00am Morning Prayer      2.00pm Mothers' Union Meeting

## **WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

9.00am Morning Prayer      9.30am Toddler Time Christmas Party

## **THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

9.00am Morning Prayer      10.00am Holy Communion  
11.00am Carol Service for Dementia      2.00pm Lower Schools Carols

## **FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** *Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304*

9.00am Morning Prayer      6.30pm Leighton Young Singers Club  
6.45pm Trebles Choir Practice      7.30pm Adult Choir Practice

## **SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** *John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591*

9.00am Holy Communion      7.00pm Mayor's Carol Concert

## **SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Parish Eucharist (*live-streamed*)  
11.30am All Age Communion  
6.00pm Sung Evensong with Benediction

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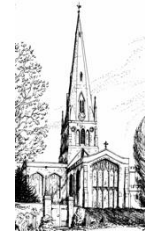
# **All Saints Parish Church, Leighton Buzzard**

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## **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

### **Second Sunday of Advent**

We warmly welcome all visitors and newcomers to our church. If any of you are from other denominations and are accustomed to receiving Communion in your own church you are welcome to here. For the hard of hearing the church is equipped with a loop system. Switch to T please. Gluten free wafers are available by prior arrangement.

**The news sheet is for you to retain and use for reference and prayer**

**THE ADVENT WREATH: Advent 2: The candle represents The Prophets – who foretold the coming of God.**

### **Today's services**

**8.00am Holy Communion**

**9.30am Parish Eucharist**

*Readings: RCL: Year C: Page: 675*

*Setting: New English Folk Mass*

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### **Advent Prayers for the lighting of the Advent Wreath**

*Collect:* O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Baruch 5: 1-9

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 1: 3-11

Gradual Hymn: 18

Gospel: Luke 3: 1-6

Preacher: Roger Collor

Intercessions: Roger Collor

Offertory Hymn: 310

Anthem: Like a candle flame - Wearmouth

During this time please observe a period of quiet reflection, as we receive Communion

Communion Hymn: 457

Post Communion: 15

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**11.30am Holy Baptism** Luca Michael Cielo Soliven, Aria Lena Shepherd,  
Halle Mae Shepherd, Georgia Emily Welsh, Arron Lee Shepherd

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**4.00pm Christingle**

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**IN YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE REMEMBER**

*Sick:* Owen Butler, Ben Colbert, Josh Redman, Katrina Boyce,  
Fr. Stephen Heard, Ian Macpherson, Gilda Robinson, Ros Boon,  
Brian Bainbridge, Molly Bowerman, Rob Stonier, Megan Kirk

*RIP:* Derry Alan Tew, Alan Frank Cross

*Year's Mind:* George Lee, Derek Williamson, Kathleen Meredith,  
Brian Willett, Peter Eglesfield, Edie Skevington, Edna Carpenter  
Dorothy Scammell

*In our Team:* Pray for uniformed groups

*In the World:* Pray for The Children's Society

*In the Diocese:* Pray for Churches in the Deanery of Luton

*In the Wider Church:* Pray for The Church of the Province of Burma

**NOTICES:**

**HELP REQUIRED AT CHRISTMAS SERVICES:** If you would like to help by being a Reader at the Festival of Lessons and Carols or the Epiphany Carol Service, or sidesman or fire-watcher at 5pm Carols by Candlelight on Christmas Eve, please sign up on the sheets on the noticeboard.

**CHRISTMAS DAY PROCESSION:** If you are coming on Christmas morning, children may bring one of their new toys and join the procession at the beginning.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES:** Please take a card detailing the services over the Christmas period, and also give one to a neighbour.

**CHRISTMAS CLOSURE:** The Coffee Shop will be closed on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December, but will reopen on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December.

**COFFEE SHOP:** The Coffee Shop is in need of home-made cake on a regular basis. We are happy to pay for the ingredients. Cake donations should also list the ingredients (not the recipe). Please contact a manager if you can help in this way, or give your name in to the parish office.

**LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024:** It is with great thanks that this charity has received 17 shoeboxes and a wonderful number of beautiful knitted garments, from you at All Saints. They will either be packaged and sent to the poor in eastern Europe or will be sold in the charity's retail outlet to generate much needed funds. This year's shoeboxes are already on their way to be delivered to people in their homes in time for Christmas. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to this marvelous result; for your time and generosity.

**JANET & MARK WENBORN** would like to thank everyone for the good wishes and gifts on their recent move. If you are ever near Beaminster in Dorset, please do get in touch for a coffee and chat. [J.wenborn@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:J.wenborn@tiscali.co.uk) 07981 289719

**PULFORD SCHOOL:** A reminder that we have a card scheme in place, with regard to meeting the Religious Affiliation criteria, for applications to attend Pulford School. For more information, or to obtain a card, please speak to a sides person or the Parish Office.

**PULFORD PRE-SCHOOL:** The next prospective parents open afternoon for Pulford Pre-School is 14<sup>th</sup> January between 3.45pm and 4.15pm. Please contact the school for more information.

**PULFORD SCHOOL FOUNDATION GOVERNOR:** We have a vacancy for a Foundation Governor at Pulford School. This is a wonderful opportunity to support the amazing work our school does and make a positive difference to the lives of its young people. This post is open to anyone, regardless of background or employment history. For more information, or for an application form, please contact the Chair of Governors, Edward Price at [chairofgovernors@pulfordschool.org](mailto:chairofgovernors@pulfordschool.org) or catch him after a service!

**CRAFTY NATTER:** There is no Crafty Natter meeting on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. The next meeting is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January.

**CAROL SERVICE FOR DEMENTIA:** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 11am. An informal Christmas Carol sing-a-long for those suffering with dementia, and their carers.

**HELPERS NEEDED:** SET is looking for people to help with the serving of refreshments at the following events: Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December 18.00 – 20.30 Mayor's Carol Concert; Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 18.00 to 20.30 Nine Lessons & Carols. If you can spare a few hours to help at either of the above, please email Richard Parsons [eparsons77@gmail.com](mailto:eparsons77@gmail.com) or call on 07395 051176.

**LUMOS LIVE CONCERT:** Discover your love for candlelight concerts by experiencing classical adaptations of your favourite artists. 'A Michael Bublé Christmas Candlelight Experience', Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 7pm. For more information and tickets, please visit <https://lumoslive.co.uk/events/>

**BIBLE BOOK CLUB:** The next meeting of the Bible Book Club will be at 7pm in the Chesterfield Room, upstairs in the Dorothy Hall suite, entry round the back of St Barnabas Church Hall, on Friday 10th January 2025. We will be discussing the Gospel of John, and the letters of John, if you have time.

**Vicar: Preb. David MacGeoch**

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*Rest Day - Monday*