SUNDAY 15th 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

MONDAY 16th DECEMBER

9.00am & 11.00am Pulford School Rehearsal 10.00am Leedon School Rehearsal 7.00pm Leedon School Carol Concert 7.45pm-9.30pm Bellringers Practice Night

TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER Eglantyne lebb, Social Reformer, Founder of Save The Children', 1928 9.00am Morning Prayer 9.00am Pulford School Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY 18th DECEMBER

9.00am Morning Prayer 9.45am, 11.00am, 2.15pm Pulford School Christmas Services

THURSDAY 19th DECEMBER

9.00am Morning Prayer 10.00am Holy Communion 1.00pm Leighton Middle School Rehearsal

FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER

9.00am Morning Prayer 9.00am Leighton Middle School Rehearsal 11.00am & 1.30pm Leighton Middle School Service 6.30pm Leighton Young Singers Club 6.45pm Trebles Choir Practice 7.30pm Adult Choir Practice

SATURDAY 21st DECEMBER 9.00am Holy Communion 4.00pm Lumos Rehearsal

7.00pm Lumos Concert

Fourth Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY 22nd DECEMBER

8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Parish Eucharist (live-streamed) 6.00pm Lessons & Carols

We would like to politely request that you turn off your mobile phones or switch them to flight-safe mode.

All Saints Parish Church, Leighton Buzzard

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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 3: The candle represents John the Baptist, who proclaimed the Saviour.

Today's services

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Readings: RCL: Year C: Page: 679 Setting: New English Folk Mass 12 Introit:

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Advent Prayers for the lighting of the Advent Wreath

Collect: O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

I st Reading:	Zephaniah 3: 14-end
2 nd Reading:	Philippians 4: 4-7
Gradual Hymn:	57
Gospel:	Luke 3: 7-18
Preacher:	Geoff Huskisson
Intercessions:	Stacey Major
Offertory Hymn:	280

Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord always (anon) During this time please observe a period of quiet reflection, as we receive Communion Communion Hymn: 277 Post Communion: 408 11.30am All Age Communion Hymns: HON 53, 98, 601, 605 6.00pm Sung Evensong with Benediction NEH Hymn: Т Responses: Ferial Office Hymn: 2 Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis: Set A 10 Hymn: 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, Kerry Sykes RIP: Derry Alan Tew, Jennifer Vieyra, Megan Kirk, Dawn Liscoe Year's Mind: Terry Spencer, Simon Munford, Cynthia Jury, Keith Biggerstaff In our Team: Pray for the U3A In the World: Pray for the powerless in society Pray for Churches in the Deanery of Sharnbrook In the Diocese: Pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa In the Wider Church:

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 24th December, but will reopen on Friday 27th 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.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the 'Big Clean'.

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 14th January between 3.45pm and 4.15pm. Please contact the school for more information.

CRAFTY NATTER: There is no Crafty Natter meeting on Friday 20th December. The next meeting is Friday 17th January.

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

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 Email: <u>vicar@allsaintslb.org.uk</u> Tel: 01525 373217 / 07949 401942 Rest Day - Monday