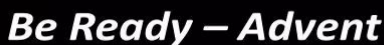


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Notices for the week commencing November 30, 2025.



Matthew 24:36-44

Sunday November 30 – First Sunday of Advent.

10.00am Sung Eucharist *Celebrant The Revd Ian Whitley*

Readings: Isaiah 2: 1-5.(686) Romans 13: 11- end (1140)
Matthew 24: 36-44 (994)

5.00pm Informal service at St John's

Sara's organ voluntaries for this Sunday morning service are: -
(Prelude)

Lob sei dem allmächtigen Gott - BWV704: Johann Sebastian Bach

Wer nur den lieben Gott läßt walten - BWV691: Johann Sebastian Bach

Wer nur den lieben Gott läßt walten - BWV690: Johann Sebastian Bach

Wo soll ich fliehen hin - BWV646: Johann Sebastian Bach

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme - BWV645: Johann Sebastian Bach
(Postlude)

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland - BWV599: Johann Sebastian Bach
Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottessohn - BWV601: Johann Sebastian Bach

Monday December 1 – Our **Christmas tree** is being delivered and in the evening decorated with baubles and lights, all welcome to join the small team scheduled to do this task (especially people over 7 feet in height).

Tuesday December 2 – **PCC (Parochial Church Council)** meeting in the Miller Room at 7.30pm.

MID WEEK SERVICES

10.00am Wednesday (December 3) Healing & Eucharist service

9.00am Monday to Thursday Morning Prayer on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81989590555?pwd=MUNnb0NWaUpUbHBiMnQzVm9wd0Q4UT09.> Passcode 149674

8.00pm Wednesday Compline on Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85819135342?pwd=Tjhha0VLTUVJkUjRYVkJpWTUzMVZCUT09> for Compline passcode 126768

Saturday December 6 – **Wedding of Jessica (Vicky's daughter) and Morgan** at 3.00pm in church.

Saturday December 6 – **East Grinstead Choral Society** presents the **Christmas Oratorio** (Parts 1, 2 & 3) by **J S Bach** sung in German at St Swithuns Church, EG at 7.00pm. Music Director Phil Wilcox, professional soloists and the New Meridian Baroque orchestra. Tickets £20 www.egcs.co.uk or available at the door.

NEXT WEEK AND FUTURE EVENTS

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday December 7 – Second Sunday of Advent.

8.00am Said Eucharist at St John's (3rd & 5th Sundays at Lingfield)

10.00am Sung Eucharist & Toy Service (with Little Ps Sunday Club)
Celebrant The Revd Ian Whitley

Hymns – **46** (On Jordan's bank.) **646** (God is working.) **45** (O come, O come.)
Carols for choirs 2 (The truth from above.) **75** (Long ago.)

Readings: Isaiah 11: 1-10.(696) Romans 15: 4-13 (1141)
Matthew 3: 1-12 (967)

5.00pm Informal service at St John's

Sunday December 7 - **Toy Service** at 10.00am supporting **Stripey Stork**, a wonderful organisation that provides much-needed gifts to local families. A **Stripey Stork** flyer and the wish-list poster are available for viewing at the back of the church. Please bring a gift from the wish-list to be blessed during this service. Unfortunately, this year we are unable to accept monetary donations, as there is insufficient time to purchase gifts.

If you are unable to attend the service, you are very welcome to drop off your donation during the week. Toys can be:

- Left in the pew by the vestry door at any time the church is open, or
- Brought during office hours: Monday & Tuesday: 4:45pm – 6:45pm and Saturday: 8:30am – 11:30am

Thank you, as always, for your generosity and kindness. Your gifts will help bring joy and comfort to children who need it most this Christmas.

Monday December 8 – Next **Messy Church session**. Lots of help needed to set up, run the craft tables, and clear way after, please come and join in, starting at 3.30pm. Set up will commence at 2.30pm for tables and facilities.

Thursday December 18 – ‘**Carol Singing in the Pubs**’ our annual bashing the ears of those we can find and persuade them to part with money for **Crisis at Christmas Appeal**, <http://www.crisi.org.uk>. We will meet at the Greyhound at 6.30pm. All welcome, singer or not (preferable!).

Sunday December 21 – A **Service of Nine Lessons and Carols** at 4.30pm. Followed by mulled wine and mince pies (well it was last year!), all welcome. A service sheet will be available.

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesdays – ‘**Pop In**’ 10.00am to 12 noon in the Miller Room. Join us for a coffee/tea and a chat.

Also, on Tuesdays - ‘**Tiny Ps**’ stay and play group (0-3 years old) from 10.00am to noon, during week term time. Brenda.

Saturdays – **Community Warm Hub**, will be weekly to March 9.00am to 11.00am, please speak to Ian if you are able to volunteer to assist with staffing.



The Inclusive Church logo.
We are a member of this organisation.
See our Mission Action Plan (MAP) Priority One goals on the Miller Room notice board.

OTHER INFORMATION, ALSO SEE NOTICE BOARD

Christmas Flowers - If you would like to remember a loved one at Christmas and contribute to the now considerable cost of flowers, there are envelopes at the back of church for any contribution and the name(s) to be remembered. The roll of Christmas remembrance names will be noted by the main flower arrangement.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday December 7 at 10.00am	Little P's and Toy Service
Monday December 8 at 3.30pm	Messy Christingle
Sunday December 21 at 4.30pm –	A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
Christmas Eve Wednesday 24 at 3.00pm and 5.00pm -	Boom Crib Services
Christmas Eve Wednesday 24 at 11.30pm	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day at 10.00am	Family Service with Communion
Sunday December 28 at 10.00am	Parish Eucharist
Wednesday December 31 at 10.00am	New Year's Eve Healing Service

East Grinstead Food Bank – The EG Foodbank urgent needs are: - toothbrush single (adult), porridge 500g, basmati rice 500g, kitchen roll, toothpaste, toilet rolls (pack of 4), Pringles, Christmas iced cake bar 400g, Christmas Cadbury chocolate selection box, Christmas tinned ham 340g, Christmas tubs of chocolates 600g, Christmas chocolate biscuits, Christmas Family Circle 400g, and Jacob's biscuits for cheese 300g.

For you diary - Sunday April 12, an event to raise funds for **St Catherine's Hospice**. As a follow up to our visit this week we are letting people know that an event to raise funds for the hospice will be held in the church on this date next year. Hazel, Gill and Sue.

Our Thanks – To all those (too many to mention) who organised and ensured the smooth running of our two recent annual events – **Christmas Markets and Stir-up Sunday**. It is not what you see on the actual day but the considerable amount of preparation, planning and clearing up after that may not be obvious, but is essential. To ensure the event happens, and the success of the day. Thank you.

Prayer Requests - Please pray for Alison Penny, Zoe Smith, Brian Bell, Barbara Bell, Jenny Holroyd, Jessica Townley, Vanessa Francis, Evelyn Smith and husband Michael Smith, Alison Irlam, Gerry Loney, Spiros Savvides, Anne Cowie, Joy and David Maitland, along with all whose names have been placed on the prayer board.

Rest in Peace - We remember Angus Rackham, Stanley Anthony, and all who have died recently. We recall Christine Taylor, Tatsuo Nakada, Mike Thomas, David Probett, Ed Burrows, and all whose anniversary falls at this time, including others known only to us.

Notices for inclusion in the pewsheets commencing Sunday December 7 should be emailed to Peter Beynon plbeynon441@outlook.com, or the Parish Office, not later than the preceding Thursday please.