Notices

Sunday November 27th at 10:00am the service in St. Stephen's at the School will be an Opening Worship Service reflecting on the Jesse Tree. This paves the way of the lineage of Jesus as we prepare to celebrate Advent and Christmas.

Following the service there will be a ploughman's lunch in the school when some of the 14 Pilgrims from Kent in the party of 21 will be reflecting upon their time in the Holy Land. They have returned this week and with John Richardson and include Carol and Alan Gupwell and Diane Daniels.

Also, by November 27th PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE LISTS IN CHURCH WHICH ROTAS YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE INCLUDED IN FOR SUNDAY SERVICES AT ALL OUR CHURCHES IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.

John Richardson with the Churchwardens and those who prepare Rotas are looking f for new people to join the regular contributors to the tasks and responsibilities of cleaning at All Saints, and in all the churches serving coffee, leading intercessions, Reading lessons and being welcomes as sides persons and stewards. There will be a training session after Christmas to refresh and update what is required as we return to some normality in these post Covid days with increasing congregations.

Archbishop Courtenay School

Archbishop Courtenay school had a good day with the Spiritual Inspection of Anglican Methodist School's Inspector. We should receive a good outcome, so we thank all the staff for their efforts.

The Parish of All Saints With St Philip, Maidstone and St Stephen, Tovil



Sunday 27th November 2022 Advent Sunday

10.00am The Jesse Tree for Advent St Stephen's at Archbishop Courtenay School

Next Week's Service

Sunday 4th December 2022
The Second Sunday In Advent
10.00am – Parish Eucharist at St Philips

Collect

Almighty God,

give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O Lord our God.

make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

More Services in December

No Choral Evensong in December

- 10am Sunday 11th December Parish Eucharist All Saints
- 4.30pm Saturday 17th
 December Carol Service at All Saints
- 10am Sunday 18th December Carol Service at St Philips

Christmas Eve

- 3.30pm Saturday 24th
 December Christingle Service at All Saints
- 5.00pm Christingle Service at St Philips
- Midnight Mass 10.00pm St Philips
- Midnight Mass 11.30pm All Saints
- Sunday 25th December Christmas Day 10am Parish Eucharist at All Saints.

Special prayers

Matt 5.3 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven'

Paul Crease, Daphne Holland, Nigel Gunyon, Mary Wheeler, Jane Sadler, Ray Stephens, Debbie Proctor, Roger Doe, Sue Marks, Pamela Hocking, Graham Jarvis, Kelly, Claire & Family, Allan Seeley, Michael Costen David Gilles, Laura, Gary Moses

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