

## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY in ADVENT

Parish of All Saints with St Philip  
Maidstone & St Stephen, Tovil

### 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. **Amen.**

### POST COMMUNION

We give you thanks, O Lord,  
for these heavenly gifts;  
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit  
that when your Christ comes again  
we may shine as lights before his face;  
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

### BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon  
you, scatter the darkness before your path, and  
make you ready to meet him when he comes in  
glory ; and the blessing + of God almighty, the  
Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among  
you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent

**At the 8.00 am Eucharist** we use the readings  
for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent which begin on page  
51. The service starts on page 237.

**At the 9.30 am Choral Eucharist** we use the  
Printed Order of Service. The choir sing the  
service to the Sumsion in F.

Introit Anthem:

This is the record of John Gibbons

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Isaiah 35. 1 - 10

Reader: Jane Stevens

**Gradual Hymn: 170 Lo, in the wilderness**

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson James 5. 7 - 10

Reader: Simon Mold

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has  
sent me to bring good news to the poor.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Gospel: Matthew 11. 2 - 11

Preacher: Christopher Morgan-Jones

Intercessions: Roger Doe

**Offertory Hymn: 9**

**Lo, he comes with clouds descending**

*(During this hymn the collection will be taken)*

During communion the choir sing:

Sleepers wake Bach

Hail blessed Virgin Mary arr. Wood

**Final Hymn: 6 Hark the glad sound**

*Everyone is invited to stay for refreshments  
at the back of the church after the service*

**Monday**                      **16<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

**Tuesday**                      **17<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

8.30 am                      Eucharist at St Philip's  
10 am – Noon              Coffee & Chat at St Philip's

**Wednesday**                **18<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

10.30 am                      Eucharist at All Saints  
10.30 am – Noon              Seedlings at St Philip's

**Thursday**                      **19<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

12.30 pm                      Eucharist at All Saints

**Friday**                        **20<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

**Saturday**                      **21<sup>st</sup> December 2013**

4.30 pm                      **Festival of Nine Lessons and  
Carols at All Saints**

**Sunday**                        **22<sup>nd</sup> December 2013**

### **The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent**

8 am Eucharist said at All Saints  
**9.30 pm Parish Eucharist at All Saints**  
**11 am Carol Service at Philip's**

Readings for the Parish Eucharist:

Isaiah 7. 10 - 16  
Romans 1. 1 - 7  
Matthew 1. 18 - end

The next **Choral Evensongs** at All Saints will be at  
6.30 pm on 19<sup>th</sup> January and on 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

**PLEASE TAKE THIS  
AWAY WITH YOU**

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**We pray** for Samuel James, Michael Walsh, Sue Busby, Ken Bridges, Jane Wearne, Kelly Browncey, Leyton Gayle, the Hughes family, Jeff Fernet-Randall, Richard Sibley, Jill Grant, the Chapman family, Muriel Hynes, Claire, Peter, Joe Daniels, Jane Critchley, Andrea, Iris Duke, Daphne Holland, Brenda Hope, Avril Majewski, Michael Greenstreet, Pearl Caney, Jean Williamson, June, Annett, Sandy Kane, John Matthews, Chris Payne, Sharon and Eira.

**We pray** for those who have recently died, and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time.

The Bishop of Dover will conduct a Service of **Confirmation** in the Parish Eucharist at All Saints at 9.30 am on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2013.

**Christingles** will be made in All Saints on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December after the morning service. Please come and help us make the 200 which are needed for the children of this parish.

### **The Collect for Advent**

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. **Amen.**