

## NOTICES

### Services across the Team next week –5<sup>th</sup> December

9.30am	St Peter's	All Age Worship
9.30am	St James'	Parish Communion
11.15am	Enmore Green	Parish Communion
11.15am	Margaret Marsh	Parish Communion
6.00pm	Motcombe	Reflective Evening Communion

**Thank you** to all who helped, prepared, washed up, and served lunches on the Orientation and Interview days. A lot of hard work went into this at very short notice and with little detail, however it was a great success albeit somewhat over catered – but we could not have helped that. You know who you are, and thank you.

**Annual pre-Christmas Church Deep Clean.** Please come and help with this year's pre-Christmas deep clean of St Peter's. Not all of the regular team will be available and any help will be appreciated. As ever a list of jobs requiring attention from 5 to 30 minutes will be displayed. Come along, contribute to the work, then tick off the item and leave with a great sense of satisfaction! The cleaning sessions will be held on Monday 6 December, 1415 to 1615 and Tuesday 7 December 0930 to 12 noon.

**St Peter's Angel Tree** Please take a leaflet from the back of church for more details.

**Christingle: Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>** at 4pm at St James' Church. If you plan to attend the Christingle service in St James' Church at 4 PM on Sunday 28 November, as you leave today please take a collecting candle from the box near the church door. Its use will make a contribution towards the cost of the Christingles and help The Children's Society's work with needy children. Please take a collecting candle if you wish to help without attending the service. It can be handed in any time before Christmas. Thank you.

**Team Office** The Team Office will be closed for the day on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December (and on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December)

### Dates for your Diary:

**29th November** – Late Night Shoppers' Christmas Carol Service – the church will be open from 6pm with the service beginning about 6:30pm

**19th December** – 4th Sunday of Advent - Last Sunday before Christmas - there is the Christmas Street Market in Shaftesbury and we will be offering:

9:30am – Parish Communion

12 noon to 3pm - Stories Round the Christmas Tree and other activities for children. This will be suitable for children up to the age of about 9 or 10. Please note that the children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. The details of the afternoon will be displayed outside the church on 19th December and will also be available on the pew sheets from 5th December.

6pm – Nine Lessons and Carols Service

# SHAFTESBURY TEAM

## St Peter's Church, Shaftesbury

### Notice Sheet



### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Advent Sunday

9.30am Parish Communion

*Jeremiah 33:14-16*    *1 Thessalonians 3:9-end*    *Luke 21:25-36*

Readers: Gill Hunt & Sarah Hunt    Intercessor: Sam Skey

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

9.30am All Age Worship

*Malachi 3:1-4*    *Philippians 1:3-11*    *Luke 3:1-6*

Readers TBA    Intercessor: Emma Smith

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

9.30am Parish Communion

*Zephaniah 3:14-end*    *Philippians 4:4-7*    *Luke 3:7-18*

Readers: David Pearson & Margaret Pearson    Intercessor: Sarah Hunt

If you are new to St Peter's or visiting today, please make yourself known to one of our team so that we might get to know you better.

### The Diary

Please see our calendar on our website: [ShaftesburyCofE.org.uk/stpeters](http://ShaftesburyCofE.org.uk/stpeters)

Wednesdays    10.30am    Holy Communion

### November

28<sup>th</sup>    3.00pm    Baptism of Eliza Louth

29<sup>th</sup>    6.30pm    Shopper's Christmas Carol Service

### December

3<sup>rd</sup>    Team Office Closed for the day

10<sup>th</sup>    Team Office Closed for the day

19<sup>th</sup>    6.00pm    12 noon Stories around the Christmas Tree in church  
Carol Service

### Team Office is open:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9am – 12 noon

Tuesday: 2.00pm – 5.00pm

**Tel:** 853060 **Email:** [office@shaftesburycofe.org.uk](mailto:office@shaftesburycofe.org.uk)

Items for the Team Pew Sheet should be emailed to the Team Office by 12 noon on Thursday

## 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 forever.

## First Reading – *Jeremiah 33.14-16*

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

## Second Reading - *1 Thessalonians 3.9-end*

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

## Gospel - *Luke 21.25-36*

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things

have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

## 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.



## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**For the sick:** Jill & Eric Sellgren, Barbara Skull, Tony Selwood, Jeremy Spoor, and Clive Thomas, and for all residents in our local care and nursing homes and for the staff there who care for them.

**For those who have died.**

**For our community.**

**For the world:** For all places where there is conflict and in particular for Syria, Turkey, Iraq, and the Middle East for peace and concern for all people.

**For our link diocese of Lui** in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. For their Bishop, Stephen and all who are part of God's church in that place.