

## Update for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

### Morning Prayer is held every weekday morning 8.30am in our Chapel

(Please note there will be no morning prayer from 25<sup>th</sup> Dec until 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2025)

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

The readings this week are **Zephaniah 3: 14-end, Philippians 4: 4-7 and Luke 3: 7-18**  
**At 8am** we gather for a **traditional BCP Communion Service** Revd. Buffy will lead and Peter Mitchell, our Licensed Lay Minister (Reader) will preach.

**At 10am** we gather for a **Holy Communion with groups for Kids and Youth at Ten.**, Revd. Buffy will lead and preside and Peter Mitchell, our Licensed Lay Minister (Reader) will preach. This service will be live streamed. All are welcome to stay for refreshments served in our church hall after.

ALL SAINTS  
**KIDS**  
AT 10AM  
ALL SAINTS  
**YOUTH**  
AT 10AM



At **6pm** we gather for our annual **Carol Service**. Join with us for a traditional mix of Carols and Readings followed by refreshments and mince-pies in our church hall. Do bring a friend, family member or neighbour as we reflect together on God's salvation story. At this service we will be taking up a collection for the Rowans Hospice.

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

The readings week are **Micah 5: 2-5a, Hebrews 10: 5-10 and Luke 1: 39-56**

**At 8am** we gather for a **traditional BCP Communion Service** Revd. Buffy will lead and Canon Jeanette Power will preach.

**At 10 am** we gather for **Morning Worship**. Revd. Buffy will lead, and Revd. Emma will preach. There are no groups for our young people and children. All are welcome to stay for refreshments served in our church hall after.

### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 3pm and 5pm - Crib Services

This year we are holding two Crib Services – so you choose what time suits you best! Come and sing your favourite Christmas Carols and listen to the story of Christmas. You're welcome to come dressed as a nativity character, ready to join in! There will be a collection for the work of The Children's Society.

The  
Children's  
Society

No child  
should feel  
alone

## Stop Domestic Abuse – Thank you.



Thank you to all who gave so generously to our gift collection last Sunday for the work of Stop Domestic Abuse. We gathered more than 200 gifts for women and children, plus several hundred pounds on gift cards which will make a difference and share joy this Christmas. THANK YOU.

## Waterlooville Food Bank Collection box

Thank you to all who place food items/toiletries in our collection box. As we approach Christmas can we ask that items donated have a festive feel. Items like Christmas crackers, Appletiser, Shloer and other fizzy non-alcoholic drinks, boxed cheese biscuits, chocolate yule log, boxes of chocolates, stuffing and gravy, children's chocolate selection trays, cheese straws, mini chocolate rolls etc. Please remember the food bank asks that **no** alcohol is gifted.



## Countdown to Christmas!

Each day during Advent we'll be posting a link to an Advent/Christmas song, hymn or carol - each different in style, some new, some old - but all sharing the joy of knowing Jesus. Hope you enjoy! ([facebook.com/allsaintsdenmead](https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsdenmead)) You don't need to be a member of Facebook; you can just log in and view each day.

## Alpha 2025:

**Alpha 2025**

**Starting**

**Wednesday 15th January**



We will be serving a delicious hot meal each week to all those attending Alpha. If you could help by preparing a meal for about 20 (something like a shepherd's pie, or fish pie, or chilli, or lasagne) please speak to Revd. Buffy on 07747 819918 [curate@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk](mailto:curate@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk)

ALL SAINTS  
CHURCH  
DENMEAD



CALM and BRIGHT

## Guess how many stars!

Our amazing flower team have been at work again and created the most fabulous Christmas floral arrangements across the church – they look wonderful, thank you!

So, the challenge this year is to count how many stars you can spot across all the arrangements (inside the church, chapel, porch and outside the porch) The church will be open each day from 9am till dusk.

You can pick up an entry form from the table in our welcome area, and once completed, post in the red-letter box. There will be a £20 prize for the winner!

## **Saturday February 22<sup>nd</sup> - Quiet Day**

Quiet Days are a wonderful time to reflect, pray and just be. All are welcome to come to All Saints Quiet Day at Wisdom House, Romsey. The day will start at 10.00am and run until 16.30pm. Canon David Lindsay will lead us. The cost this year is £31.50, this includes a simple lunch, with tea, coffee and biscuits available throughout the day and tea and cake will be served before we leave.



If you would like to attend, please contact Karen in the Parish Office to be added to the list, Karen will also be collecting the money, but payment by bank transfer is available. Parking is limited at Wisdom House, so we will car share.

If anyone would like to know more, maybe you are not sure what a Quiet Day entails, please contact Kim Markham 9224 0150 or email [kim@markhams.me.uk](mailto:kim@markhams.me.uk) **We need to know numbers and have payment by Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January, please.**

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