

## Prayer for the Vacancy

God our Father, you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His body in this place: Send us your Holy Spirit at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision and energy and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community. Give your heavenly wisdom to those who are to choose a new incumbent for this parish, that she or he may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people, ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your Son, Jesus. **Amen.**

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE – IMPORTANT



**If you are feeling unwell**– please let Polly know. We can help with shopping, visits or any other supportive action you may need.

The key points regarding service protocols at St Mary's are:

- All pews now back in use, parishioners free to choose their own seating position in church but are asked to be mindful and respectful of others
- We will be leaving the back door open as long as the weather allows – **please come dressed appropriately as it can get chilly.**
- No longer a need to pre-register attendance.
- Parishioners are encouraged to continue to wear face masks in church including during hymn singing
- Communion will continue to be given in one kind until further notice, and the sign of the Peace will be shared without physical contact
- As we have resumed the collection plate parishioners who contribute through Planned Giving are welcome to take a laminated token from the basket near the entrance and pop into the Collection pouch. That way all donations can be included in the blessing and thanksgiving for the offertory plate

## St Mary's, Stoke D'Abernon

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## Advent Sunday



### Services during November/December at St Mary's

<b>Nov 28th</b>	10am	Parish Eucharist <a href="#">Revd Mike Branscombe</a>
	6pm	Choral Evensong for Advent <a href="#">Jane Hiley</a>
<b>Dec 5th</b>	10am	Choral Eucharist <a href="#">Revd Rosemary Mason</a>
<b>Dec 12<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Parish Eucharist <a href="#">Revd Jolyon Trickey</a>
	6pm	Evensong <a href="#">Anthony Metcalfe</a>
<b>Dec 19th</b>	10am	Parish Eucharist <a href="#">Ven Martin Breadmore</a>
	6pm	Service of Nine Lessons & Carols <a href="#">Jane Hiley</a>
<b>Dec 24th</b>	5pm	Crib Service <a href="#">Revd Mary Beth Hawrish</a>
	11pm	Midnight Service <a href="#">Fr Gerard Mee</a>
<b>Dec 25th</b>	10am	Festive Parish Eucharist <a href="#">Revd Rosemary Durward</a>
<b>Dec 26<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Joint Service at St Andrew's, Cobham

**Rector:** Parish in Vacancy

**Parish Administrator :** Polly Zabari  
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**Church Wardens :** Sue Prentice  
Ian Read

### New to St Mary's?

If this is the first time you are joining us please introduce yourself to the Church Wardens or sides people. Members of all Christian churches are most welcome to receive Holy Communion. We like to be able to contact new members and visitors, so please let us have your contact details. Please send us your name, address, telephone and email address to our parish administrator on 01932 866005 or [admin@stmarysstokedabernon.org.uk](mailto:admin@stmarysstokedabernon.org.uk).

Please use the blue Gift Aid envelope if you would like to make a donation. We also accept contactless payments at the back of the Church – please ask a Warden. The WC's are located in the Church Hall. We hope you enjoy the service.

## Collect for the Day

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**

<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Minister :</b>	<b>Revd Mike Branscombe</b> <b>St Andrew's, Cobham</b>
<b>Reading :</b>	1 Thess 3 : 9 - end
<b>Gospel :</b>	Luke 21 : 25 - 36
<b>Hymns :</b>	24, 26, 28, 29
<b>Mass Setting :</b>	Mass of St Thomas



We will be **servicing coffee** after the 10am service today. Please stay behind and chat with friends.



We are starting a **Advent Bible Study/Prayer Group** each Wednesday morning from 1<sup>st</sup> December in the Church Hall. Please come for coffee at 10am and the study will start at 10.30am. All welcome.



The **St Mary's Christmas lunch** will take place on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm**. The sign up sheet is at the back of the Church or you can call Polly on 01932 866005 to hold a space. We are asking for a £12.50 donation to be paid **by 30<sup>th</sup> November** to secure your space. (cheques to PCC of Stoke D'Abernon) This is a popular event and spaces are strictly limited to 40. *Profits from the lunch are being shared between Cobham Foodbank and Crisis for Christmas.*



The next Discussion Group meeting is on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December **at the earlier time of 2pm**. The meeting will be held at the home of Audrey Binyon, 6 Bray Road, Stoke D'Abernon. All welcome.

## 6pm Choral Evensong

**Minister :** **Jane Hiley, Warden of Readers**

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**Reading :** Isaiah 2 : 1-18

**Gospel :** Matt 24 : 1 - 28

**Hymn :** 32

**Responses :** Byrd

**Psalm :** 9 vv 1-8 Nares

**Canticles :** Gibbons : Short service

**Anthem :** Philippians 4: 4-7

*Rejoice in the Lord always,*

*and again I say rejoice.*

*Let your moderation be known unto all men.*

*The Lord is at hand.*

*Be careful for nothing;*

*but in every thing by prayer and supplication*

*with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God.*

*And the peace of God,*

*which passeth all understanding,*

*shall keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Rejoice in the Lord always,*

*and again I say rejoice.*

**Hymn :** 31

**Organ voluntary :** Gibbons – Fantasia of four parts.

## Reverse Advent Calendar

This is the final week for the Reverse Advent Calendar – if you would like to contribute but don't have the time or energy to do the shopping, please let Polly know. For a donation of £40 the shopping can be done, and donated, on your behalf. **Please don't forget this week's items :**

28<sup>th</sup> Nov Small Christmas cake

29<sup>th</sup> Nov Mince pies (consider gluten free)

30<sup>th</sup> Nov Christmas chocolates



*Please ensure all items donated are within the "best before date" otherwise they cannot be used by the Foodbank.*