

Spotlight Link Newsletter.

Week Commencing 18th December 2016.

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Team Rector.

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282278 **Team Vicar**

Welcome to St Matthias & St George Parish Church

Service for Sunday 18th December Advent 4.

9-00am Eucharist CW led by Fr Glenn.

10-30am Sunday Stars in hall Nativity rehearsal.

Service for Tuesday 20th December.

10-00am Said Eucharist CW led by Fr Glenn.

Services for Christmas as shown below.

Nativity Play & Christingle Service Christmas Eve 6-00pm

We are really looking forward to this year's Nativity Angels, Shepherds, Kings Mary & Joseph are needed. so if you are able to come along this Sunday and following up to the event we would love to see you 10-30-11-45am in the hall, or ring Irene for more information on 01527 894179. The proceeds from this service will go to a very worthy charity, The Children's Society

Log onto our website for more information.

www.astwoodbankchurch.org.uk

Christingle help.

We shall be preparing the Christingles in the hall on Thursday 22nd December from 3-30—5-00pm. and we would appreciate some help with this task and any donations of soft sweets or marshmallows.

Decorating the Church.

Rhonda and her team will be decorating the Church on Thursday 22nd December starting at 10-00am and would like some assistance and donations of foliage would be helpful. Please ring Rhonda on 893560 for more information.

Toy Service Sunday 4th December.

Irene would like to say a big **thank you** for your generous gifts of toys, which are being passed to the children of prisoners at Hewell Grange.

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Christmas Hub.

The Redditch Winter Night Shelter has been renamed RADIATE REDDITCH and a note explaining this is posted on the notice board at the back of Church, Essentially this does cover the work carried out last year but now aims to extend its cover for longer in future. As in previous years we have made a donation of £50-00 towards this worthy cause. If anyone feels they could be of further help please read the note RADIATE REDDITCH on the notice board and contact Sharon McCall if you are interested .

We continue to pray for Mick Bolt, Jean Green, Philippa Kreuser, Alex, Mike Lawes, Karen & Dale Roberts, Kath Moody, Colin & Alison Daines, Marion Lee, Edna Weale, Jean Lees, Duncan Glover, Kate Vicos Joyce Thomas, and Margaret Emms together with their families at this time.

Pastoral Care. If you know anyone requesting a pastoral visit or Home Communion please contact Irene Hamilton on 894179.

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Saturday 17th December.

Carols in the park. 4-30pm. At Astwood Bank Park.

Tuesday 20th December

Carol singing around the village starting at Retreat Street Community Lounge at 6-00pm

Saturday 24th December. Christmas Eve.

6-00pm Nativity & Christingle in Church
10-00pm Celebration Mass led by Fr Glenn.

Sunday 25th December. Christmas Day.

10-30am Eucharist All Age Celebration service led by Fr Glenn.

Sunday 1st January 2017 Circumcision.

9-00am BCP Eucharist led by Rev Barry Jones.

Please note NO Family Service.

Tuesday 10th January 2017

P.C.C. Meeting in the Hall/Vicarage at 7-40pm with HC in church at 7-00pm which is open to all.

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