

# PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Coming to Faith, Growing in Faith

WELCOME TO TODAY'S WORSHIP

SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Thank you for coming to church today, for choosing to worship God.

You are most welcome in St. John's Church today.

Refreshments are available after the service, please join us.

Welcome to the Salvation Army who join us in worship today.



## READINGS

### TODAY

Isaiah Ch. 40 VV. 1 – 11.

2 Peter Ch. 3 VV. 8 – 15a.

Mark Ch. 1 VV. 1 – 8.

### NEXT WEEK

Isaiah Ch. 61 VV. 1 – 4 & VV. 8 – 11.

1 Thessalonians Ch. 5 VV. 16 – 24.

John Ch. 1 VV. 6 – 8 & VV. 19 – 28.

Vicar  
Team Rector  
Churchwardens

Rev. Can. Tony Bundock  
Rev. David Williams  
Mrs Pat Rushmere  
Mr Dick Field

01844 347741  
01844 344784  
01844 345452  
01494 562231

## COLLECT

*O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power  
and come among us,  
and with great might succour us;  
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness  
we are grievously hindered  
in running the race that is set before us,  
your bountiful grace and mercy  
may speedily help and deliver us;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honour and glory, now and for ever.  
Amen*



## PRAYER NOTES

- † The sick of this parish and those people known to us who need His grace: Irene Foord, Ruth Barclay and Mary Mines.
- † Justice, mercy and grace for migrants. Safety for Christians and peoples of all faiths in danger.
- † Resolution for the peoples of the Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Nigeria, and peace in Gaza and Turkey.
- † Peace, healing and mercy for the people of Syria.
- † Our mission and ministry in the community.
- † Thanks for our church community and our shared faith.
- † May communities of all faiths bring understanding that you call for love and peace, never hatred.
- † Thanks for our vicar, PCC and churchwardens.

## WORSHIP IN ST JOHN'S CHURCH

TODAY

8:00 am Said communion using BCP  
10:00 am Sung communion with Junior Church

TUESDAY

9:30 am Said communion

### Toy Service

**TODAY - 10<sup>th</sup> December**

Thank you for bringing new, unwrapped presents, for children, which will be distributed by the Salvation Army.

### Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

**NEXT SUNDAY - 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm**

### Worship in St John's – Advent and Christmas

---

Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6pm	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	3.30pm	Crib Service with Shepherd Little
	11.15pm	Midnight Mass of the Nativity
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8am	BCP Holy Communion
	10am	Parish Communion with Carols
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	St John the Evangelist

---

## Shepherd Little

This year, the Junior Church children will be taking the lead in our Crib Service on Christmas Eve with the Nativity story of Shepherd Little written by Sara Ridgley and Gavin Mole. If you know any children who would like to take part then just come to the Crib Service dressed as a shepherd, a king, an angel, a star or a camel! The only other thing you need to bring is your singing voice and either gold, frankincense or myrrh (well, every church needs to raise funds!)

