

## **St. Michael and All Angels Church, Colehill**

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### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Advent Sunday**

**8am Holy Communion**

**9.30 Parish Eucharist**

**3.45 Christmas Event**

**5.15 pm Film Night in Church**

### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

2.0 0 Prama Carol Service

7pm Silent Prayer

### **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30 CWs meeting

8pm Reordering Committee

### **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

8.00am Morning Prayer

12noon – 1.30 Centre Rendezvous

8-10pm Open the Book Planning Meeting

### **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

8.00am Morning Prayer

No Community Choir

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30-11.15 Cherubs Parent and Toddlers

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

**2nd Sunday in Advent**

**8am Holy Communion**

**9.30am Parish Eucharist**

**4pm Christingle Service**

**Don't forget - Carols by Candlelight**  
**6pm Sunday 17th December, followed by**  
**mulled wine and mince pies.**  
**Do invite your friends along!**

### **ST. MICHAEL'S MONTHLY PRAYER DIARY**

**Please pray this week –**

For peace makers and peace-keepers  
For victims of the recent terror attack on a  
mosque in Egypt

For the people of S. Sudan, Yemen  
and Nigeria, facing famine.

For the people of Zimbabwe  
For Rohingya Muslims displaced by  
persecution in Myanmar

For the Brexit negotiations and our  
relationship with the EU

For our schools as the busy season of  
concerts, parties and services approaches

For charities working for the relief of need  
both at home and abroad

#### **Gunilla Vincent**

holding St Michael's Cross.

#### **The sick & infirm & others in need:**

Sheila Spenceley, Sheila Soper,  
Joe West, Louise, Natasha, Richard Boyce,  
Vicki Piper, Colin Smith  
Jane, Samuel Thomas

**RIP**

Jill Taylor

### **CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SERVICES**

#### **Sun 24<sup>th</sup> December**

Advent 4/Christmas Eve

No 8am service

9.30am Parish Eucharist (Said)

4pm Crib Service

11pm First HC of Christmas

#### **Christmas Day**

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am All Together Communion

#### **Sun 31<sup>st</sup> December**

No 8am service

9.30 Parish Eucharist (Sung)

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**CHRISTMAS EVENT TODAY FROM 3.45PM!**

- \* **Crafts \* Christmas Market \* Refreshments \* Music \***
- \* **Lighting of the Community Christmas Tree at 5pm \***
- \* **Family Film at 5.15pm – 7pm in Church \***

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**FACEBOOK @ CHRISTMAS**

Find us on Facebook:

St Michael's Church Colehill

Please share our service and events with your Facebook friends. Thank you.

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**# GOD WITH US : REFLECTIONS FOR ADVENT**

Join us in celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, who is God with us, during this wonderful season.

Sign up for your Christmas journey with 13 short reflections via e-mail, free from the Church of England. [www.churchofengland.org/christmas](http://www.churchofengland.org/christmas)

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DELIVER CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Please can you help deliver the church Christmas cards to the community - pick up a street or two from the piles at the back of church. They need to be delivered by Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that there is a mistake on the last service listed, which is on New Year's EVE, not New Year's DAY. Apologies for this oversight, but I imagine no one would turn up at 9.30am on 1 January anyway!

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**ST. MARY'S CHURCH, STURMINSTER MARSHALL CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December 10am-4pm \* Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 11am-4pm \* Free Entry**

The Crowfoot Family have once again entered a Christmas Tree for St. Mary's Christmas Tree Festival. This year their tree is decorated in aid of **Wimborne Food Bank**. Please come along and vote for your favourite Christmas Tree, and spare a few pennies for your favourite charities.

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**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: THANK YOU**

Many thanks to the Vicar and Churchwardens for agreeing once again that the offerings on Remembrance Sunday be donated to the Royal British Legion for the support of veterans and their families. A total of **£372.13** was raised, the second highest in recent years. Philip Horobin

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**SOUTH SUDAN – CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE AFTER CHURCH DURING DECEMBER**

Where possible I will put them in church each Saturday evening to enable those attending the 8am service an opportunity to buy. I am also happy to deliver to anyone if that makes it easier. Thanks to the hard work of my team of helpers we were able to sell a further **£75** of cards at the "Wimborne in Bloom" Charities Fair recently. We have already sent out **over £500** and are well on our way to raising another £500 this year. Thank you, we couldn't do it without everyone's support  
Jill Beech 01202 882197

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**SAVE YOUR STAMPS FOR SOUTH SUDAN**

Please remember to save your stamps this Christmas (and throughout the year) for South Sudan. There is a brown collection box at the back of Church and a collection point at Hayeswood First School. Thank you!

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**WIMBORNE FOODBANK**

With Christmas fast approaching, please spare a thought for those who find Christmas especially difficult when there is no spare money for Christmas items. The Foodbank would welcome any edible treats for us to be able to supplement the food parcels in the coming weeks. Chocolate coins, biscuits, puddings etc. all appreciated. (No alcohol, fresh or homemade food please)  
Donations by the 9<sup>th</sup> December. Jill Beech 01202 882197

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## PARISH LUNCHES

A huge **thank you** to all those who contributed a salad or pudding to the recent Parish Lunch. £575 was raised for church funds and a good time was had by all!

We were pleased with the general format and intend to repeat it on future occasions if that is your will. Next time, we hope to ask 20 different cooks to contribute food.

Please let me know if you'd be willing to be one. **Barbie Watson**

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## COLEHILL COMMUNITY CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT: 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER @ 7.30PM

An evening of contemporary music & traditional Christmas songs performed by Colehill & Ferndown Community Choir at **St Mark's Church**, New Road, West Parley, BH22 8EW.

Adults £8.50 and under 16's free. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets includes after concert party in the church centre with drinks and nibbles.

The bulk of the proceeds will be donated to the Bus Stop Club, a charity that supports people in crisis. A donation will also be made to St. Mark's Church and to St. Michael's Church, Colehill.

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## WIMBORNE QUAKERS : THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018

Wimborne Quakers will be holding an Ecumenical Meeting for Worship **on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.15 for 7.30pm** at the Town Hall as part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

The evening will begin with an explanation of Quaker worship and will then last approximately 45 minutes. Worshippers from all other Wimborne Churches are warmly invited and also to join us for tea/coffee afterwards.

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## WIMBORNE WIN ON WASTE

Save your waste and help good causes! Take any of the following items to

**Wimborne Library \* Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2018 \* 10.30am to 12noon**

(if you are unable to make this day and time, items can be left with the library on the Friday)

- Christmas wrapping paper-clean, flat (WWF Poole Volunteer Group)
  - Calendars only those with animal pictures (WWF Poole Volunteer Group)
  - Christmas cracker novelties and hats (Dorset Scrapstore)
  - Empty tubs of Celebrations and similar sweet tubs (The Get Togethers)
  - Sweet biscuit wrappers – e.g. digestives etc. (Ideas2Action)
  - Cleaning product items - washing up liquid tops, pumps, sprays, empty disinfectant wipe packets (Ideas2action)
  - Empty/broken pens, biro, felt tips, highlighters, board markers, mechanical pencils, empty Tippex bottles (Research into Brain Tumours)
  - Ring pulls (Purple Community Fund)
  - Printer ink cartridges – any make (Wimborne Win on Waste)
  - Milk bottle tops –plastic (Priest House Museum)
  - Cardboard kitchen rolls (Wimborne Library)
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## DONATE IT

Donate IT will be receiving redundant computers and peripheral equipment for recycling or re-use at **Church House, Wimborne on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm-3.30pm.**

They are government inspected and guarantee to permanently clean all hard drives before re-using or recycling. More information, see John Spatchet.

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## VICAR OF DIBLEY THEATRE TRIP: 2<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2018

I am planning a Church trip to see "The Vicar of Dibley" at the Tivoli theatre on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.** Tickets cost £15, payment is required upfront.

If you would like to go please, contact me before Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December on **01202 885746** or **boyles4@hotmail.co.uk**. Thanks, **Sharon Boyle**

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## DEADLINE FOR WEEKLY NOTICES

The deadline for the weekly notice sheet is Thursday morning. Please e-mail **stmichaels.pa.colehill@gmail.com** or leave a written notice in the office for Catherine's attention.

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## 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 for ever.

## Isaiah 64:1-9

**O** that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence— as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil— to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people.

## 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

**G**race to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Mark 13:24-37

**‘B**ut in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.’ From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

**NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS:** Isaiah 40:1-11; 2 Peter 85:1-2,8-13; Mark 1: 1-8