# In Touch



# Sunday 1st December 2024 1st Sunday of Advent

#### Collect

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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Jeremiah 33.14–16 1 Thessalonians 3.9–end Luke 21.25–36

O Lord our God,

Amen.

10.00am Family Communion

### **Post Communion Prayer**

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. Amen.

'O come, O come, Emmanuel'

### **Prayer List**

Mark Freeth
Kuldip Dhadda
Philip -Karen's Dad
Peter Vallis
Jean & Mike Rose
Alaina Parsons
Mary Beard
Carol Leonard
Andy Jackson
Tim Taylor
Gary Cartlidge
Francesca Weal

Liz Nolan
Gill Barrett
Tyler Shilling
Jenny Sparks
Pat Smith
Terry Blackshaw
Barry Walker
Libby Havercroft
Helen Phipps-Wiltshire
Lee Roberts
David Kinchen

#### Those who mourn the loss of

Joyce Hardy Susan Jones Rosemary Evans Arturo Barone Muriel Shaw

#### This Week at St Lawrence

Mon 9.00am Toddlers
Weds 9.00am Toddlers
NB no Morning Prayer this week
Thurs 10.00am Welcome Café
Fri 6.00pm Choir Practice

### Next Sunday 8th December 2nd Sunday of Advent

Malachi 3.1–4 Philippians 1.3–11 Luke 3.1–6, 15-18

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am Family Praise

10.30am Parish Communion

4.15pm Messy Church: Christmas

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#### **Notices for 24th November**

Would you like to have a short Bible passage and prayer for each day of Advent? Sign up to the Church of England's app 'Everyday Faith'.

The shoe box total has gone up to 85 following a further delivery from Bovingdon Primary Academy - a great achievement.

In October we launched our 'Patience' appeal to the congregation. If you haven't picked up a brochure pack yet, please come and collect one this Sunday. Then please prayerfully consider your response and return the appropriate form to the Project Office.

It's that time of year for the **Children's Society** collection boxes and donations. Please let Helen Campbell know if you'd like her to collect your box, or you can leave it in church this Sunday or next Sunday. If you have given online, please let Helen know.

#### Christmas dates for your diary:

8<sup>th</sup> December: Messy Church Christmas craft making. 4.15pm in the

Hall

22<sup>nd</sup> December: **Nativity service** 10.00am

22<sup>nd</sup> December: **Carols by candlelight** 6.30pm

24th December: Crib Service 3.00pm

24th December: Midnight Communion 1100pm

25<sup>th</sup> December: **Christmas Family Communion** 10.00am

Thank you for your DENS donations, please keep them coming. The second Sunday of each month has a particular focus on foodbank donations. In addition to our DENS collections, we are supporting local families with regular food parcels. Please donate the following items if you can:

Helping Rebuild Lives

- Tea, coffee, sugar, squash
- Breakfast cereals
- Washing up liquid
- Laundry tabs
- Biscuits
- Table sauces and condiments

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