



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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Weekly news update 4 December 2020:

Please pray for:

- Our preparations for Advent and Christmas
- The sick: including Lizzie St George and Rachel Hellen and Eric Burbridge
- RIP: Kath Rickards, Helen Pitcher, Ann Hales-Tooke and Maureen Ling and from the Book of Remembrance, Charles Craske and Dorothy Walker

St Andrew's Virtual Advent Calendar!

Throughout Advent, St Andrew's will be journeying online together through **stories of promise and hope** in the Bible, leading up to Christmas Day. At 4:30pm on St Andrew's social media, there will be a **daily short video** telling a story of promise and hope, using some words and a Jesse tree picture decoration. **You can get involved** - watch along as we journey, or even record one of the daily clips for us to use! If you'd like to record, you'll be provided with the decoration for the day and words to read to tell the story – **get in touch with Hannah via email if you're interested!**

“Virtual Christingle”

We will be having a 'Virtual Christingle' on Sunday 13 December at 4pm. You can join us on zoom, or if you prefer not to be seen by others, you can watch the live streamed service on YouTube. The links will be on the church website. This year we will make our own Christingle from home as part of the service. All you need, apart from an orange and a piece of sticky tape, can be found in one of our Christingle bags which will be available to collect from the church porch from this coming Sunday (6th). This is a great service to invite others to, so do let others know and pass on a bag to whoever would like one. As in previous years we will be supporting the Children's Society - if you would like to donate please use this link:

<https://thyg.uk/CUS042205>

#Prayer for the nation

Please continue to pray for our nation each evening at 6pm

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2020-11/PftN%20Booklet%20spreads.pdf>.

Church Administrator

Linda, who has been our part-time Church Administrator since April 2015, will be giving up the post to start a new full-time job (in Cambridge) at the beginning of January, but will remain very much part of the congregation. The PCC has agreed to pay Rachel a day a week to cover most of the Church admin work until the church and the hall get “back to normal”.

Volunteer(s) needed

We are looking for a volunteer (or volunteers) to help deliver printed copies of the weekly news sheet and sermon to 8 members of our congregation who do not have access to the



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internet. You would pick up the addressed envelopes from the office and deliver them on a Monday (if possible). Please let Rachel rachel@standrews-hall.co.uk know if you can help. This would start in January. Many thanks.

Next Sunday (13 December) is the third Sunday of Advent. There will be an 8am Holy Communion service (BCP, in church & livestreamed), a Parish Communion service at 10am (in church & livestreamed) and a Christingle service (on zoom & livestreamed) at 4pm.

Chesterton News December edition

The December Chesterton News is available to download below:

<https://www.standrews-chesterton.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Chesterton-News-December-2020.pdf>