



ST ANDREW'S, CHESTERTON

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Weekly news update, 17 December 2021

We had a lovely Community Carols last night – a large attendance but all sensibly distanced and keeping safe... We are not cancelling any services yet but keep the matter continually under review. Please keep an eye on the church website or the noticeboards outside church for any changes. The only service you need to book for is the **Nine Lessons and Carols** on Christmas Eve: please don't turn up without a ticket. This Sunday will include our Junior Church Nativity at the 10am **All-age Communion**. Thursday's **Crib Service** is especially suitable for young children.

We will be sending out further communications on the next two Fridays, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. They will have links to the services which are live-streamed (N.B. the 8am Communion on 26 December will not be live-streamed).

The **Chesterton Chimes** for December/January can be found [here](#).

This Sunday, 19 December: 4th of Advent

[8.00am](#) **Holy Communion BCP** (live-streamed and in church)

[10.00am](#) **All-Age Communion and Nativity** (live-streamed and in church)

You can download the service sheet to either [view](#) on screen or [to print](#).

5.30pm **Quiet Communion** (church only)

Next Week's Diary

Monday 20 to Friday 24 December

8.00am **Morning Prayer**

Monday 20

10.45am **Christmas Coffee Morning** in the Hall

Tuesday 21

12.15pm **No Holy Communion Today**

Thursday 23

4.00pm **Crib Service** (in church)

Christmas Eve

6.30pm **Nine Lessons and Carols** (live-streamed and in church)

11.30pm **Midnight Eucharist** (in church only)

Christmas Day

8.00am **Holy Communion BCP** (live-streamed and in church)
10.00am **All-age Communion** (live-streamed and in church)

Next Sunday, 26 December: 1st Sunday of Christmas

8.00am **Holy Communion BCP** (in church only)
10.00am **All-Age Communion** (live-streamed and in church)
5.30pm **No Service**

Please pray for...

Joan Andrews

From the book of remembrance: Ada Masters, Doris Mary Wells, Sladden Bridgeman Wells
RIP: Brian Pratt, Geoffrey Coulson, Clifford Smith, Julia Owen, Michael Craven, Derek Allen and Sandra Lawlor.

St Andrew's News

Monday Coffee Mornings Christmas Gathering will be held on **Monday 20 December** from 10.45 to 12noon. Donations are £1 - come and enjoy tea, coffee and a mince pie. The coffee morning will return on Monday 10 January 2022 at 10.45am.

For Advent we are collecting money for the **Children's Society**. Children (and adults!) are invited to take one of the 'candles' from the back of church and fill it up with coins during the season.

Church Communications

The PCC meets about 8 times a year but we also have a number of PCC subcommittees which also meet made up of a mix of PCC and non-PCC members who deal with a lot of the finer detail and make proposals which come to the full PCC for a decision. For some years Deborah Bick has led the Communications group as Chair very effectively and proficiently but Deborah has had to step down due to increased family commitments. This group has also lost some key members recently and so we are looking for fresh membership and a new Chair to take us forward to the challenges we have only just begun to address: the Church website, social media, posters, consistent messaging etc. Do you have expertise or a passion for communications matters in the digital age? If so please make yourself known to Nick or the churchwardens if you'd be interested in taking a part in this group. Thank you.

Patricia Abrey, PCC secretary