

Collect for the 3rd Sunday before Advent

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

(or)

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings

This Sunday: 3rd Sunday before Advent (12th Nov)

Wisdom of Solomon 6.12-16
Canticle: Wisdom of Solomon 6.17-20
1 Thessalonians 4.13-18
Matthew 25.1-13

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday before Advent (19th Nov)

Zephaniah 1.7,12-18
Psalm 90.1-8[9-11]12*
1 Thessalonians 5.1-11
Matthew 25.14-30

Our Prayers

We pray for:
In Churches Together: Our Lady & St. Peter's RC
The residents of Court Close, Lucas Close, Wagg
Close, Glendyne Way
Our supported charity: Tear Fund

The Parish Office

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Wednesday at 10.30 am

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The Parish Church of St. Swithun, East Grinstead with St. Barnabas & St. Luke NOTICES SHEET

Sunday, 12th November 2017 3rd Sunday before Advent Remembrance Sunday

8am	The Eucharist
9.30am	SUNG EUCHARIST
6.30pm	Evening Prayer

Monday 13th November

9am	Music Bus in <i>St. Swithun's Hall</i>
8pm	Men's Relax

Tuesday 14th November

10am	"Teddies" at <i>St. Luke's</i>
8pm	The Eucharist in <i>St. Swithun's Hall</i>

Wednesday 15th November

10am	The Eucharist at <i>St. Swithun's</i>
10am	Tea & Toys in <i>St. Swithun's Hall</i>
2.30pm	Mothers' Union in <i>St. Swithun's Hall</i>
8pm	Standing Committee Meeting in <i>St. Swithun's Hall</i>

Thursday 16th November

11am	Healing Service at <i>St. Barnabas'</i>
8pm	Pilgrim Course in <i>St. Swithun's Hall</i>

Friday 17th November

10am	Friday Fun in <i>St. Swithun's Hall</i>
12pm	Funeral of Cherry Orman at <i>St. Swithun's</i>

Saturday 18th November

10am	The Eucharist at <i>St. Luke's</i>
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Sunday, 19th November 2017 2nd Sunday before Advent

8am	The Eucharist
10am	SUNG EUCHARIST
6.30pm	Evening Prayer

NOTICES

Christmas Shoeboxes – Today is the final date for collection. Many thanks to everyone who has supported this project. *Barbara Jones 300593*

Mothers' Union meet this Wednesday (15th) at St. Swithun's Hall at 2.30pm for Christmas parcel packing for Gatwick Detainees. *Barbara Jones 300593*

St. Swithun's Church 100 Years Ago
Caroline has compiled a booklet of extracts from the 1917 Parish Magazines, to mark Remembrance Sunday. Copies are available in Church. (*Small donations to St Swithun's are welcome*). If you would like an electronic copy of '1917', or 1914, 1915 and 1916, please email Caroline & Steve: *archivist@metcas.me.uk*

Daylight and other Bible reading notes.
Please could you let me know asap if you wish to cancel or change your annual order for Bible Reading Notes. Thank you, *Sallyanne: 312141*

Autumn leaves!

There will be another leaf clearing session next Saturday, 18th November from 9.30am. Do come and help if you can. Many thanks.

The Real Advent Calendar – Following on from the success of The Real Easter Egg, I will be ordering some Fairtrade Advent calendars soon, £4 each. They contain a chocolate each day and the story of Christmas in a booklet. If you would like one, please let me know **by 12th November** at the latest. *Deborah 314147*

Advent Fair – Sat 25th November

Make sure you keep this date free and tell all your neighbours and friends! Donations of new, unused gifts as well as bottles of wine/spirits, cakes and preserves will be very gratefully received. There will also be a stall selling books and jigsaws. Please leave donations at the Parish Office or give to a member of the organising team - *Tony, Deborah, Jane Phipps or Kate*

“Sun, Sea, Moon and Stars”

Saturday 25th November 7pm

Meridian Voices will be performing a varied selection of music inspired by the elements from composers including Haydn, Grieg and Cecelia McDowall. The choir includes some familiar faces from St. Swithun's and the music is beautiful so do come and join us! Tickets are £10 and are available from the Parish Office.

Healing Service at St. Barnabas' is on Thursday 16th November at 11 am.

Forest Players present “The Handyman” - a drama by Ronald Harwood in Forest Row Village Hall **21st to 25th November** at 7.45pm (doors and bar open 7.15pm). Tickets £10 (concessions available) from John Freeman *01342 323640*

Icon Painting Workshop at Burrswood
Groombridge, Kent TN3 9PY 01892 865988
27th November - 1st December

This five day workshop will give participants the opportunity to paint a Christmas themed Byzantine Icon of either the Archangel Gabriel or the Virgin Mary. Tickets £365 or see website for options for including a four night stay.

Christmas Coffee Morning

St. Barnabas' – Sat. 2nd December 10am

Cake stall, raffles, and other attractions. Please book the date now.

Service of Lessons and Carols

St. Barnabas' Sun. 10th December 4.30pm.

The service will be followed by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies.

Cantu Amici Christmas Concert



Tues. 12th December 7pm

Tickets priced at £10 will soon be available from the Parish Office for this popular annual event. The ticket price includes refreshments after the concert and all proceeds go to charity, so please save the date!

Bring and Share Community Lunch at St. Barnabas' – Thurs. 14th Dec. 1.15pm

Everyone most welcome. Please let Betty (*326710*) know if you would like to come or if you need transport.

Crib Service dressing-up box Do you have any old clothes or other bits and bobs such as tights and checked tea towels that could be used as children's costumes for the St. Luke's Crib Service? If so, we'd be very grateful if you could give them to Alice or bring them to the Parish Office. Many thanks.