

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

<b>Tuesday 17th December</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Claire's Court School Christmas Carol Service <i>Christmas Eucharist at Altwood School</i> <i>Celebrant: Fr Jeremy</i>
	<b>2.00pm</b>	Claire's Court School Christmas Carol Service
<b>Wednesday 18th</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Eucharist in the Birinus Room</b> with refreshments Celebrant: The Revd Dr Judith Thomas
	10.00am	All Saints School Rehearsal
	<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>All Saints School Christmas Service (1)</b>
	3.15pm	<i>Christmas Service at Larchfield Care Home</i> <i>Jeanette &amp; the Pastoral Team</i>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>All Saints School Christmas Service (2)</b>
<b>Thursday 19th</b>	8.00pm	Choir Practice
<b>Saturday 21st</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Eucharist of Our Lady</b> Celebrant: Fr Jeremy
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	<b>THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	
	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b> Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy Crèche
	11.30am	Rehearsal for Crib Service Open the Book
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>SUNDAYS@SIX</b> <b>Service of Nine Lessons &amp; Carols</b> followed by seasonal refreshments in the Parish Centre

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**PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS BOYNE HILL**  
**Sunday 15th December 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
*Please take this pew sheet home with you to look at the readings again,*  
*and to remind you of the events taking place.*

**8.00am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)** Collect and Gospel as below.

**Celebrant & Preacher:** *Fr Jeremy*

**EPISTLE** James 5: 7 – 10

Be patient, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

**10.00am THE PARISH EUCHARIST & CHRISTINGLE WORSHIP FOR ALL**

**Service:** *Christingle & The Parish Eucharist* **Hymns:** *Ancient & Modern*  
**Celebrant:** *Fr Jeremy*

Organ Prelude

Angel Voices

*D Terry*

**Hymn**

**39 Hills of the North, rejoice**

**THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

**26 Advent 3 John the Baptist, by his preaching**

**COLLECT FOR ADVENT 3**

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare the way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

**Amen**

**Gradual Hymn**

**74 Like a candle flame**

**GOSPEL**

Matthew 11: 2 - 11

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to Jesus, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.' As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft

robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.'

Sermon Fr Jeremy

#### **BLESSING AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE CHRISTINGLES**

**We sing** Shalom my friend, Shalom my friend,  
Shalom Shalom,  
till we meet again, till we meet again  
Shalom Shalom

#### **Intercession Response 404**

**Offertory Hymn 42 Longing for light, we wake in darkness**

**Communion Hymn 712 Lord Jesus Christ**

**Closing Hymn 27 Colours of day dawn into the mind**

Postlude Tuba Tune C S Lang

Refreshments will be served at the back of church thanks to the Tuesday Club

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#### *Father Jeremy's Notes*

**Thank you** to all those who made **Christingles** for today's service. There will be a retiring collection for The Children's Society after both Services this morning. Please put your gift in one of the boxes at the back of the Church.

#### **Wednesday 18th December 10.00am Eucharist**

Please note this will be in the Birinus Room as All Saints School will be rehearsing in the church.

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#### **Other Notices**

##### **Churches Together Christmas Cards**

There may still be a few roads left where cards need to be distributed. Please look and see if you can take a bundle for a road near you. The cards have details of all the Christmas services in town so it's good to get as many out as we can. **Jeanette**

##### **Sidespeople needed for Christmas Services**

We still need a few sidespeople for some of the Christmas Services, particularly the Crib Service at 4.00pm on Christmas Eve. There is a list at the back of church; please sign up if you can help. **Stella Harding**

#### **Carol Singing**

If you enjoy singing Christmas Carols please feel free to join Fr Jeremy, the Pastoral team and me at our final Christmas care home service.

**Wednesday 18th December 3.15pm at Larchfield Care Home.**

Christmas jumpers are optional.

**Jeanette**

#### **Flower Arrangers' Christmas Table & Raffles**

##### **Turn a Holey Floor into a Holy Floor**

Please have a look at the table at the back of church which still has a wonderful array of handmade Christmassy things: ideal for decorations or gifts. All made by our super-talented flower arrangers. All proceeds will go to **The Galilee Project.**

**Raffles:** There are two separate raffles; one for a gorgeous Christmas cake and one for wine. Tickets are £1 per strip of 5 tickets and the books are on the table. Make sure you put contact details on each ticket as well as leaving your money. Raffles to be drawn after the 10.00am service on Sunday 22 December.

#### **INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Please pray for

**Our three church schools, Boyn Hill Infants, All Saints Junior & Altwood:** for the pupils, staff and governors.

**The work of the Children's Society** and Anne Clark, our local organiser.

**For everyone who will visit our Church this week for any Christmas Service.**