

Second Sunday before Advent

Remembrance Sunday

*Acts of Remembrance readings will be decided
by the Minister taking the service.
NRSV Lectionary readings inside*

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Collect

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God
and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power
and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and
glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Please take this copy of Pew News away with you for reference during
the week.

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THE HUB — By Revd. Canon David Baldwin

I would like to begin by congratulating Julie Steele of Broadwindsor on her Confirmation by Bishop Karen last Saturday in Salisbury Cathedral. It was a lovely service at which 11 candidates were confirmed and 1 was baptised in the beautiful font.

On Advent Sunday 28th November there will be a Advent Carol service at 6.30 pm in St Mary's Beaminster led by Dr Peter Nardone - the new Director of Music and Organist - and the choir. If anyone would like to read one of the lessons please let me know.

Thank you to everyone at Hooke and Salway Ash for the lovely Coffee Mornings last Tuesday, it was good to see the fellowship and friendship at these events.

I have been asked if I could repeat the articles on Advent books from two week ago as many of our churches did not have services that day due to it being a fifth Sunday.

As we approach Advent at the end of November you may like to consider some books that are available to help us through this season. The following are a few of the new books being published this year.

The Art of Christmas: Meditations on the birth of Jesus is by Jane Williams published by SPCK at £9.99. The write up says that it is an excellent book in small format and consists of 20 works of art depicting different aspects of the Christmas theme with a biblical reading and meditation.

Music of Eternity: Meditations for Advent with Evelyn Underhill is by Robym Wrigley-Carr and is the Archbishop of Canterbury's advent Book for 2021 and published by SPCK at £10.99

The Whole Christmas Story: is by Jo Swinney published by BRF at £8.99. This book keeps the reader's attention focused on Advent by gazing at the liturgical season through the lens of Christmas rather than the other way around.

An Advent book of days; Meeting the characters of Christmas is by the Bishop of St Asaph, Gregory Cameron. Published by Canterbury Press at £9.99. This book of days does what it says in the title.

Celtic Advent: 40 days of devotions to Christmas is by David Cole and is the companion to the book we read at Lent this year. It takes us from Advent to Christmas through the eyes of Celtic Christianity.

You can order these books online or why not support our local bookshop Little Toller Books in Beaminster who would be more than pleased to order them for you.

First Reading — Hebrews 10. 11-14 (15-18) 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

'This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds',

he also adds,

'I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.'

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Emergency First Aid Course

Open to all in the Beaminster team. St. Mary's PCC Beaminster will be running a day course in the church at the end of November. There will be 12 places available so if you are interested please contact Vivien (PCC Secretary) on: vivimcmurray@hotmail.com or Tel: 01308 862966

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🌀 the Toilet Twinning Appeal. 🌀
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Gospel Reading — Mark 13. 1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.'

Coming soon... Messy Church Advent!

Saturday 27 November

4-5.30pm at St. Mary's Church, Beaminster

Activities, crafts, songs, games, bible story and prayers



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* church looking fresh and attractive and we would love to welcome *
* new arrangers to the team. We are also looking for someone to take *
* over responsibility for the team. For further information please *
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What's happening in the Team this week

For more details of local events, please see Team News

- Tues 16 Nov** 7pm Living in Love and Faith Course (Week 5)
- Wed 17 Nov** 10am Eucharist St Mary's, Beaminster
- 11-12.30 Walk in Wednesday St Mary's, Beaminster