

Dates for Diaries: Dec 2017

- 06 Carol Singing at Netherclay @ 2pm
- 07 Standing Committee @ 7.30pm
- 09 Ablaze decorating Christmas tree @ 3pm
- 10 Christingle @10am
- 13 Mini Allsorts @ 11am
- 14 Carol Singing at Frethey @ 2.30pm
- 17 last Ablaze for the year @ 10am!
- 17 Village Carol Service @ 6.30pm
- 18 Village Carols outside of the church @ 6.30pm
- 21 School Carols around the tree @ tba
- 21 Carol Singing at Manor @ 3pm
- 24 Crib Service @ 4pm
- 24 Midnight Service @ 11.30pm
- 25 Christmas Day Family Celebration @ 10am

Advent Carol Service hymns:

Come Thou long expected Jesus
Spirit of the living God
O come, O come Emmanuel
Tell out my soul
Great is the darkness
In Christ alone my hope is found
Lo, He comes with clouds descending

Contact for notices - Please e-mail Jess English on Jess.k.english@gmail.com with any notices. Deadline 9am Thursday of each week for the following Sunday (earlier if possible). Please keep them as brief as possible!



St Peter & St Paul - Bishops Hull Keynotes

Welcome to your Parish Church.

We are delighted to invite everyone to stay and join us for tea or coffee after the 10am service – served at the back of the Church.
The Prayer Chapel is available for prayer during the service.

Sunday 3rd December 2017

1st Sunday of Advent

Readings Isaiah 64.1-9 & Mark 13.24-end

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion



Services / Events this week

Wed 03 Dec Prayer Meeting @ 09.15am

Wed 03 Dec Midweek Communion @ 10am

Wed 03 Dec Netherclay Carol Singing @ 2pm

Services next week

Sun 10 Dec Holy Communion @ 8am & Christingle @10am

Wed 13 Dec Midweek Communion @ 10am



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Prayers for:

- Those living in this Parish, especially in **Mountway Close and Wren Close**.

Perhaps you could use this prayer at the start of each day this week:
"Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ".

Notices

Thank you:

- To our Prayers of Intercession team!

Prayer Chapel – your prayer space

We have left the long strip of knitting up in the Prayer/Lady Chapel, if you would like to add your prayers to it then please do so over the next few weeks. Many of you put your prayers into it as it was being knitted, and we feel that we would like to leave it up for a little longer. Belinda Luke

Taunton Youth for Christ

There is a new leaflet at the back of the church giving you the latest details, do take a copy. Thank you. Gerald Lush

Christmas Cards to the Parish – available NOW!

These are available at the back of church to be posted out to all homes within the Parish – do consider taking a pile or two to deliver. If possible, we would like all cards delivered by tomorrow 4th December!

Netherclay Nursing Home Carol Singing

Join with us in taking the good news of Christmas to Netherclay House **this Wednesday** 6th December at 2.00pm

Saturday 9th December @ 10am if you can lend a hand to put up our Christmas Tree, please do turn up at Church. Thank you.

Hallelujah Ladies - "A different sort of Advent Calendar"

As part of our reflections in our missionary work for the Christmas period we are intending to support the Taunton Foodbank through donations. If you would like to contribute to these families in need then do feel free to put items into the box at the back of church. You may also wish to attach a gift tag on them with a message letting families know you are thinking of them at Christmas. There is no pressure whatsoever to take part as we know that many of you will have packed a shoebox, possibly sponsored a child under the Compassion scheme or be involved in other charities. Should you wish to participate there is a list of items required on the box (or you may wish to put in something else). We will be taking all gifts to the Taunton Foodbank after the service on **Sunday, 10th December** so the gifts can be distributed to families during the Festive period.

The 2018 Christian Aid Book Sale...

...will be taking place on **Saturday 17 February 2018** (10-12) at the Baptist Church, Silver Street. We need volunteers to unpack and set out books on Friday (hall is open 4-8pm) and to pack up on Saturday (12-12.30). Some youthful muscle would be particularly welcome on Saturday! Donations of books can be taken directly to the hall on 16 February or brought to church any time from now on - I will sort out what is suitable and dispose of what isn't. Please let me know if you can help or if you need to have books collected. val.traylen@btinternet.com or 254712.

Font Questionnaire – results

Thank you to everyone who returned a form and expressed an interest – a total of 79 responses!

These are the results (in the order of the questionnaire):

1. Keep the present font where it is = 8 votes
2. Keep the present font but move it within the church = 26 votes
3. Replace the present font with a portable one = 9 votes
4. Move the present font outside the church = 6 votes
5. I do not mind what is done with the existing font = 16 votes
6. I do not mind what is used in place of the existing font = 14 votes

These results mean that Option 2 is the preferred option, with 21 of those responses suggesting to move the Font to the current Pulpit position. *These results are also on the notice board.*