

Calendar for 9th to 16th December

Sunday 9th December

Second Sunday of Advent

Readings 8am and 10am:

Malachi 3:1-4 (OT p815)

Luke 3:1-6 (NT p57)

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Communion

11:30am - 5pm Christmas Tree Festival

11:30am Holy Communion, **Little Hampden**

Coffee from 11am

6pm Evensong

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11 (OT p612)

Luke 1:1-25 (NT p53)

Monday 10th December

12:30am Advent Lunch, Oldham Hall

6:45-8pm Bell-ringing practice

Wednesday 12th December

10:30am Christmas lunch and Carols,
Abbeyfield

Thursday 13th December

7:30pm Choir practice

Sunday 16th December

Third Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Communion with Christingle

3:15pm Film: The Nativity Story,
Oldham Hall

6pm Taizé in Advent

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Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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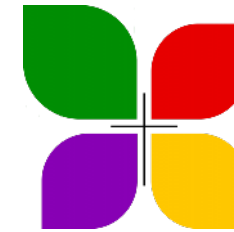
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Items for next sheet by 6pm on Wednesday to
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News or events for website to office (above)



St Peter and St Paul
Great Missenden

St Mary's Ballinger

Little Hampden

Helping one another to Know, to
Serve and to Share God's love.

9th December 2018

Second Sunday of Advent

Please pray this week for:

efforts to overcome climate change

those who are struggling with the
anticipation of Advent

communities dealing with the long-term
effects of natural disasters, accidents and
terrorism

See, I am sending my messenger to
prepare the way before me, and the
Lord whom you seek will suddenly
come to his temple

Malachi 3:1

Come and enjoy an Advent Lunch!

Homemade soup and a sweet seasonal treat with an Advent 'Thought for the Day' from the perspective of different people in the Christmas story

Monday 10th December Shepherds
Monday 17th December Mary & Joseph

Everyone is welcome!

Oldham Hall 12:30.

Please let Elizabeth know of any special dietary needs.

It's Christmas Jumper Day!

Wear your funniest jumper, socks, tie, tights, earrings or whatever in aid of IGNITE's charity ACIC. There's a competition for the best - or silliest!

Christmas Presents for the Old Tea Warehouse

The presents donated already are on display next to the Pulpit but you can still add to these to provide Christmas cheer for the homeless residents at the OTW in High Wycombe. For many this may be the only present they receive, and will show someone cares. We need 60 presents for men (guide price £5-8) such as woollen hat, gloves, scarf, t-shirts, toiletries (no alcohol or after shave please), card games etc. If your gift contains biscuits or sweets, please label to avoid diabetic problems. If you prefer to buy for one of only 4 women residents – check first with Parish Office, and label clearly please. Please wrap your present in suitable paper and deliver to the Parish Office by 13th December at the latest. Thank you.

Sponsor a Tree

There's still time to sponsor a tree at today's Christmas Tree Festival. See one of the team or speak to Rosemary 727 893.

Celebrate Christmas with Lighthouse

The Gathering Singers and The Friends of Heatherton Singers are once again putting on a Christmas Concert in aid of Lighthouse. This is the third annual concert and includes traditional carols, songs, instrumentals and readings for Christmas. 7:30pm Monday 17th December at St Peter & St Paul. Tickets from Samways and Costcutters in Prestwood or by calling Heatherton House School 726 433.

Lighthouse Christmas Quiz

The theme this year is Mini Beasts. Entry £1 towards Lighthouse funds - the quiz made nearly £1000 last year. Copies are available from the office and the closing date for the competition is 13th January.



Christingle - next Sunday

Next Sunday's 10am Parish Communion will include Christingle, supporting the Children's Society for the work they do for children and young people in need. This year is the 50th anniversary of Christingle.

Next Sunday - The Nativity Story

We're showing the film The Nativity Story, directed by Catherine Hardwicke, in the Oldham Hall at 3:15 for 3:30 with tea and mince pies.

Woodlands Carols - can you help?

We're singing carols at Woodlands on Tuesday, 18th December, at 2pm.

Can you join us? Speak to Wendy.

Val Eaton-Griffith's funeral

Val Eaton-Griffith's funeral will be at 1pm on Wednesday 19th December at St Peter & St Paul.

Support the Church with your Christmas shopping

Do your online shopping through Easyfundraising: register on their web site easyfundraising.org.uk and search for "St Peter and St Paul's Church, Great Missenden" then any order you place through them will result in a small donation to the Church. They have thousands of retailers including Amazon. You can transfer to another good cause at any time.

Peace on Earth Christmas Card

The card was designed by Jane Coulson who guided its creation at Family Praise in November. We are selling these at £2.50 per pack of 5 to raise money for ACIC.



During today's worship

During Communion, prayer is available in the Lady Chapel

Please ask at the door if your children would like books and quiet toys

Inductive Loop – Hearing Aids to 'T' setting

Please drive carefully through the churchyard as pedestrians are coming from the top and bottom gates as well as from parked cars. Look out for children playing after the service

Parents, please make sure children are playing safely

Please don't leave anything precious in your car – it might be stolen