

**Calendar for 5th to 12th
December 2021**

Sunday 5th December – Advent 2

8am service led by The Reverend Deiniol Heywood from Holy Trinity,
Prestwood

- Readings: Malachi 3.1-4; Philippians 1.3-11; Luke 3.1-6
- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **St Peter and St Paul**
- 10.30am** 'Caring Together' Service – **Great Missenden Baptist Church** or join via Zoom from 10.15am (Meeting ID: 849 7037 2015 Password: service). Please note there will be no service at St Peter and St Paul.
- 11.30am - 5.00pm** Christmas Festival at **St Peter and St Paul**
- 6.00pm** Evensong at **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 8th December

- 10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share in church at St Peter and St Paul. Please contact Catherine James for details (timandcatherinejames@gmail.com).

Sunday 12th December – Advent 3

8am and 10am services led by The Reverend Ashley Mitchell from RAF
Halton

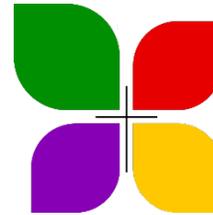
- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **St Peter and St Paul**
- 9.30am** Advent Communion – **St Mary's Ballinger**
- 10.00am** Parish Communion with Christingle and Christmas jumpers (see details below) – **St Peter and St Paul**
- 11.30am** Holy Communion – **Little Hampden**
- 6.00pm** Evensong at **St Peter and St Paul**

STAFF AVAILABILITY:

Please ring Tricia to fix a time for a chat in the week

Licensed Lay Minister: Patricia Neale 863 348 tricianeale8@gmail.com

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**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**

**5th December
Advent 2**

Please include in your prayers:

- those suffering from Storm Arwen and those working to restore things;
- the Covid-19 variant Omicron – precautions, vaccinations and investigations;
- Christians working and worshipping together in the locality;
- our progress towards finding the right new vicar.

'Praise the Lord!
Sing to the Lord a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.'
Psalm 149.1

We welcome The Rev. Deiniol Heywood to lead our 8am service today.

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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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Current Covid Arrangements. Thank you for following the guidance.

- Please only come to church if you are free of the traditional Covid symptoms of high temperature, persistent cough, or loss of taste or smell, and have not been advised to isolate.
- Face coverings are recommended.
- Hand sanitising is warmly encouraged and is available at the door.
- Others may prefer it if we continue to sit apart.
- Communion is at the nave altar following a one way system.
- The collection card reader is contactless.
- The 10.00am service is livestreamed on www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch

Appointment of new Priest: The dates are set for the parish to advertise and interview for our new priest. On Monday 13 December the advert and person specification will appear online including within the parish profile on our own website. Interviews are scheduled for the last week in January.



The Christmas Tree Festival takes place this weekend and we look forward to seeing you there on Saturday 4th December between 10am-5pm or Sunday 5th December 11.30am-5pm. Funds are in aid of Wycombe Refugee Partnership and St Peter and St Paul Church funds. There will be over 20 decorated Christmas trees to see decorated by church, community groups and local businesses, as well as a Christmas Market perfect for a few stocking fillers and gifts and a raffle to win a luxury hamper or one of a dozen other prizes. Our bell ringers will be demonstrating bell ringing – you can have a go and see the bells in motion on videocam.



Don't Forget to wear your Christmas Jumpers to the Christingle service next Sunday at 10am – the collection will be jointly for The Children's Society and Save the Children. Please bring your cards for the Goodbox and any spare change.

Reverse Advent Calendar. Don't forget to try Harriet's Reverse Advent Calendar instead of or as well as your chocolate one. There will be a suggestion for you to think about and maybe act upon each day on the Church website and Facebook page.

Great Missenden Age Concern Thursday Lunch Club invites you to join them at their Christmas Lunch in the Great Missenden Baptist Church Hall on Thursday, 16th December from 12 noon. Please RSVP to Angela Redington (aredington@talktalk.net).

Christmas Presents for the Old Tea Warehouse (OTW). This year, we are again collecting presents for the homeless residents at the OTW (38 men and 4 women, as well as 18 people who live in 'move-on' properties). For many, this may be the only Christmas present they receive. Perhaps you would like to contribute by buying a small gift and wrapping it in Christmas paper? Please let me know if you choose to buy a present for a woman, so we don't get too many. We suggest you spend £8-10 on a present such as: woollen hat/gloves, t-shirts, cards, puzzle books, biscuits, toiletries or make-up for a woman (no after shave or alcohol and please label biscuits and sweets to avoid these being given to a diabetic). A bar of chocolate or bag of sweets works well together with any of the other suggestions. Please bring your donation to the new Parish Office, 102 High Street, Great Missenden, HP16 OBE. I will be delivering the presents to the OTW w/c 20th December. Thank you! Jane (07946 121 325 / jane.h.ray@googlemail.com).

Come and Sing Nine Lessons and Carols at Balliol College, Oxford on Saturday 18th December. Spend a happy day preparing, and then singing, a traditional service of Nine Lessons and Carols. Meet at 10.30am for rehearsals and the service, complete with traditional prayers and readings, will be at 6pm. The day, which costs £65, also includes a two-course Christmas lunch and all your music. Full details can be found at <http://www.choraholidays.com/product/come-and-sing-9-lessons-and-carols-at-balliol-college-oxford-18th-december/>

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