

**Calendar for 17th to 24th
November**

Sunday 17th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent

- 8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Daniel 12.1-3; Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25; Mark 13.1-8.
10.00am Non-Eucharistic Family Service – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
6.00pm Said Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 20th November

- 9.30am** Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.30am Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**
8.00pm Great Missenden Orchestra Concert – **St Peter and St Paul**
(see details inside)

Sunday 24th November – Feast of Christ the King / Sunday next before

Advent

- 8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
MAP will be meeting in the Bell Tower during the service, where the children will be making Christmas eco baubles for the Christmas Tree Festival.
11.30am Matins – **Little Hampden**
6.00pm Choral Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

Further Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated otherwise).

Saturday 30th November and Sunday 1st December – Christmas Tree Festival.

There are no more coffee mornings at St Mary's Church, Ballinger, this year. It is anticipated that these will begin again in the New Year.

The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...

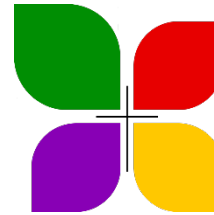
Tinned Meat, Tinned Custard, Cooking Oil, Fruit Squash, Long Life Fruit Juice, Hot Chocolate.

All items must be within BBE date, please.
chiltern.foodbank.org.uk



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St Peter and St Paul, Great Missenden
St Mary's Church, Ballinger
Little Hampden

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

Sunday 17th November – Second Sunday before Advent

Please include in our prayers:

- for peace throughout the world, especially this coming Christmas;
- for all who serve in our armed forces in these turbulent times;
- for the Church of England after this difficult past week in light of the Makin Review;
- for the survivors and victims of abuse;
- for our Episcopal Area of Buckingham as we await the appointment of a new Bishop;
- for the growth of our Youth Group and ministry to children and families.

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.'

Mark 13.5-6

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.

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News and Events

Safeguarding Sunday is this Sunday. As Parish Safeguarding Officer, I'm inviting any who would like to do the Basic Course to let me know and we'll arrange a time for everyone to do this together in the Oldham Hall. Do let me know (or any questions) on safeguarding@missendenchurch.org.uk. Alan Mustoe.

Our Christmas Tree Festival is fast approaching on the weekend of 30th November and 1st December. This has always been a successful event and the money raised is split 50/50 between ourselves and the Wycombe Refugee Partnership. We have been very fortunate this year to have the skills of Jill Stiel and Harriet Lyon, two members of our local community, as organisers and they are full of new ideas and have great enthusiasm for the event. As always, we are in need of help on the festival days and there is a whole board full of the various different ways in which help is needed – serving refreshments, selling raffle tickets, making cakes, selling cakes, offering a warm welcome to our visitors etc. Please take a look and if you are able to help in any way at all please sign up. If you are not in church and would like to be part of a great event, please contact me on 01494 866 443 / 07855 731 186 or email on s.g.ofarrell@gmail.com. Many thanks, Sue O'Farrell.

Christmas Tree Festival Helpers. There are sheets on the boards at church for helpers to sign up to help on both the Saturday and Sunday with teas and lunches at the Christmas Tree Festival. Please sign up if you can help and also to make cakes to serve with teas and coffees. Jeanette Green - 01494 866 794.

Christmas Tree Festival Raffle. After church, please take some raffle tickets to sell, to yourself and to your friends. It's such a simple way to raise some money for church and charity. More details: Alan 07725 909 733.

Chilterns Desk Calendar 2025. Just a quick note to say that these have now arrived and I am able to take orders or sell them on Sunday. Copies with a case are £8, copies without £7. I will aim to have my card reader with me should you wish to purchase that way, but cash or cheques are equally welcome. If you'd like to order copies for me to deliver, please just give me a ring: 07879 427 370. Many thanks, Karen Butler.

Gifts for the Old Tea Warehouse. Frighteningly, we are just a couple of weeks away from the Christmas Tree Festival where there will be a wooden tree waiting to be decorated with wrapped gifts for the residents of the Old Tea Warehouse. So far, we have very few and really need a lot more. If you are able to buy a gift for a man (between the value of £8-10, woollen hat/gloves, T-shirt, cards, games, puzzle books, biscuits or toiletries – no after shave or alcohol) and put your wrapped gift in the labelled cardboard box by the door, that would be wonderful. Thank you. Karen.

Raffle First Prize – Luxury Hamper. Just to remind people who very kindly signed up for items to put into the hamper, that I am collecting these now. If you are able to bring them to church, I would be happy to take them away with me but if they are heavy or delicate, you may prefer me to collect them from you at

home. You have only to call on the above number if that is the case. Thank you again. Karen.

Knitting/Crochet Project making scarves for Ukrainian young people. Do you have some spare wool and time to make a scarf? The Hilltop Ukrainian Community would very much appreciate scarves to give as a gift to 30 Ukrainian young people aged 11-17 years, who have each lost a parent during the war. They will be coming in December from Ukraine to a rehabilitation camp in the UK. Please choose your own design and colours. Scarves need to be ready by 6th December. Thank you! For more information, please speak at Church to Jeanette Green or Carola Clark or contact Christie (knitsbychristie@gmail.com / 07909 094 481)

Calling all budding Baristas! We are extremely low on coffee-making volunteers for after Sunday Service at 10am. Extra helpers are required if this amenity is to continue. The job is not particularly difficult although you do need to be able to stand and wash up afterwards. This would be once every six weeks or so, depending on how many volunteer! Please let me know if you can help. Emma Harris (07976 276 869)

Rotary Club Christmas Boxes. The Rotary Club in Great Missenden has organised for local schools in our area to make up Christmas boxes for those struggling financially in our area. These will contain baby clothes, toys, books, toiletries, socks, household items etc. depending on the age group the box is being prepared for. If you or anyone you know would benefit from one of these boxes, please contact Elisabeth in the Parish Office (01494 862 352 / office@missendenchurch.org.uk)

Don't spend Christmas Day alone! Join us for lunch at Great Missenden Baptist Church Hall, 12.30pm for 1pm with return home about 3.20pm. Local transport can be arranged. To book a space, please call Mary Spooner on 01494 862 431 or email maryspooner127@hotmail.com. Guests, helpers and drivers invited. Please also let Mary know if you can help on Christmas Eve to prepare vegetables and set up tables between 2pm and 4pm.

Eco Tip for November. Green your home. Combat climate change and reduce heating costs by identifying and sealing drafts around your home. Find the gaps that let the cold air in and warm air out (think keyholes, letterboxes, cracks around the edges or bottoms of windows and doors, loft hatches, floorboards, etc.) and fix these gaps using the correct materials and online tutorials. Additionally, place foil or radiator panels to reflect heat into your room. Pray for those who might be experiencing the cold this winter.

Great Missenden Orchestra will be holding a concert at St Peter and St Paul on 20th November, 8pm. The music will include Beethoven Symphony No. 1 and Prokofiev Sinfonietta. Tickets are not being sold, but there will be a voluntary collection at the door on leaving.

Please note, you can subscribe to the online version of the Newssheet by contacting the Church Office by email: office@missendenchurch.org.uk