

Liturgical Colour WHITE

# SUNDAY, 31st DECEMBER, 2023 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Welcome to our Worship

ART BENEFICE – HOLY COMMUNION 10.00 am – Priory Church of St. Mary, Tutbury

Reader: Margaret - Intercessions: Jackie

No Morning Service at: Holy Trinity, Anslow

or St. Mary's Church, Rolleston on Dove

# This morning readings:

Readings: Galatians 4 v 4 - 7 Pew Bible Page NT 202

Luke 2 v 22-40 Pew Bible Page NT 63

We hope you will join us for refreshment after the service. Toilet and Baby Changing Facilities at the back of the church, on the right.

# **Collect for the First Sunday of Christmas**

God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### Please remember in your prayers this Christmastime

#### **Our Communities**

Leyfield Farm Mews, Anslow, Garrett Square, Rolleston, High Street, Tutbury

#### Those in need of our prayers:

O Lord, comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We pray for those who have asked for prayer:

John Farrell and

all who are being cared for in the parishes of the ART Benefice. Give them courage and hope in their troubles; and bring them the joy of Your salvation.

We pray for those who are mourning the loss of a loved one recently, especially Shirley and her family as they mourn the loss of Brian. Brian was an active member of our church family and he will be sadly missed by us all.

His funeral will take place on Friday, 5th January, 2024 at 2.00pm, followed by burial in the Churchyard.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

#### Year's Mind

Leslie Millard, Robert Hutchinson, Maud Oliver, Dorothy Clarke, Marjorie Ball, Amy Jackson Vera McAllister, Leslie Brunton, Robert Fleeman, Raymond Drake, Doris Welsh, Evelyn Sowter, John Jones, Muriel Harrison, Arthur Drake, Mary Hewitt, Samuel Sharp, Sandra Unwin, Margaret McGuirk

### SUNDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024

10.00 am – Worship for All - Holy Communion/Family Service

Led by the Worship for All Team – with Reverend Adam: Presiding

## SUNDAY, 14th January 2024

10.00 am – Common Worship Morning PrayerWardens to lead and preach

Reader: Judith - Intercessions: Rosie

High Altar Flowers: Judith

### **SUNDAY, 21st January 202**

10.00 am - Holy Communion - We welcome Reverend Richard

Reader: Ken - Intercessions: Joycelyn

Hight Altar Flowers: Vacant

### **Priory Church Opening Times**

Thursday 10.00 am - 12.00 noon Saturday 10.00 am - 12.00 noon

Sunday 9.30 am - 12.00 noon – with service commencing 10.00am

#### **PRIORY CRAFTERS**

Every Thursday from 9.30 am.

A variety of crafts help readily given and received.

Or just call for a cuppa and chat!!

All welcome.

PRIORY PANTRY is open every Saturday morning from 10.00 am till 12.00 noon Delicious cakes and savouries on offer, with the addition of Bacon Baps on ome Saturdays

#### **GENERAL FUND RAISING 2024**

The Events and Fund-Raising Team will shortly be meeting to discuss suggestions made at its last meeting in October. We are grateful to the Team who have worked so hard to raise the much-needed funds toward the running of our church and also for the opportunities they create to bring people together to celebrate and enjoy.

Ideas which have been decided upon in the near future but which need date confirmation are as follows:-

February lunch

Ladies pamper and shopping evening – 29th February

Easter Egg hunt during Priory Pantry on Easter Saturday, the 30<sup>th</sup> March

'Watch this space' for further events, lots more to come!

#### **FLOWER ROTA 2024**

The flower rotas for 2024 are on the welcome table. We are very grateful to those who continue to place flowers on the High Altar - if you would like to join the rota, please see Rosemary. Thank you.

# **LENT COURSES 2024 - LISTED BELOW**

Please let Reverend Phyllis know if you will be attending, by Ash Wednesday, 14th February 2024. Thank you.

PRIORY DIARY if you wish to add anything, please let Joycelyn know.

DECEMBER							
Sun	31 <sup>st</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	New Year's Eve	Priory			
Suli	31	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion	Church			
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JANURY 2024							
Sun	<b>7</b> th	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Worship for All – Family Holy Communion	Church			
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion	Church			
Sun	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion	Church			
Sun	28 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion	Church			
Suii	20	10.00am	FEBRUARY	Chulch			
Sun	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Worship or All/Family Communion	Church			
Sun	11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion	Church			
Wed	14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	ASH WEDNESDAY	Church			
Sun	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church			
Mon	19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Lent Course	Church			
	20 <sup>th</sup>	+					
Tue		7.00 <sub>pm</sub>	Lent Course	Church			
Sun	25	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church			
Mon	26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Lent Course				
Tue	27 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 <sub>pm</sub>	Lent Course				
Cura	Ord	10.00	MARCH Worship for All/Family Communion	Church			
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>		Church			
Mon	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Lent Course				
Tue	5 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 <sub>pm</sub>	Lent Course	Church			
Sun	10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church			
Mon	11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Lent Course				
Tue	12 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 <sub>pm</sub>	Lent Course				
Sun	17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church			
Mon	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Lent Course				
Tue	19 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 <sub>pm</sub>	Lent Course				
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup>	10. <sub>00am</sub>	PALM SUNDAY Holy Communion	Church			
Mon	25 <sup>th</sup>		Feast of the Annunciation - Holy Week				
		10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Lent Course				
Tue	26 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 <sub>pm</sub>	Lent Course				
Thur	28 <sup>th</sup>		MAUNDY THURSDAY				
Fri	29 <sup>th</sup>		GOOD FRIDAY				
Sun	31st	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> Holy Communion	Church			
APRIL							
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Worship for All/Family Communion + APCM	Church			
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church			
Sun	21st	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church			



# No Cash?

Scan the QR Code with your phone camera to donate online with a GiftAid option via "Give a Little" to Our Church



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Sun	5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Worship For All/Family Communion	Church		
Thur	9 <sup>th</sup>		Ascension Day			
Sun	12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church		
Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church		
Sun	26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 <sub>am</sub>	Holy Communion	Church		

#### **CHURCHYARD MATTERS**

If you would like information about the churchyard, there is usually someone who can help at the Saturday Morning Priory Pantry, in church 10.00 am – 12.00 noon.

You will no doubt be aware that the volunteers have been working very hard in the churchyard this summer as the whole place looks brilliant. Not only have they been maintaining the newer and easier to maintain parts of the churchyard, they have been tackling the overgrown areas. All of this has been achieved with an ever-growing team of volunteers who have formed a WhatsApp group, which is working well and the members are able to communicate more easily with one another. They would welcome more willing workers, thus helping to keep our lovely, peaceful green space for all to enjoy.





#### **HEATING PROJECT**

We are pleased to say that we now have a new boiler and pipework which runs under the floor on the north side of the church. The old pipes had rusted away and there were many leaks which resulted in that circuit being capped off for the last two winters.

The new boiler is situated in the store cupboard in the vestry and there are lots of copper pipes both in the vestry and down below in the boiler house. The new system will be much more efficient and, we hope, cheaper to run. We should now all be much warmer when in church for services and social occasions.

The estimated cost is in the region of £38,400 including VAT but the VAT of around £6400 should be recoverable. We have been very lucky to obtain grants amounting to £12,000 from Burton Consolidated Charities, the John Bamford Trust and Staffordshire Historic Churches Trust. There is one application still outstanding. Part of the cost has been met from church reserves, generous personal donations and proceeds from the Priory Craft group but there is still a shortfall and work is ongoing to try and source additional funds.

If you would like to make a donation, however small, please have a word with Joycelyn who can give you details of the church bank account.