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Three weeks' Notices for 17 December - 7 January 2007

Sunday 17 December 2006

Advent 3

9.15 am Sung Eucharist

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President and Preacher: Michael Burns

Theme: Our period of preparation shifts from repentance and forgiveness to the freed exhilaration of hope. The coming of Christ is something to anticipate with delight and enthusiasm.

Readings: **Zephaniah 3: 14 – end** **p. 947**
Here we have the image of dancing and singing, a celebration of peace after a war.

Philippians 4: 4 – 7 **p. 1181**
Paul conveys a sense of God's closeness and that they can rejoice because everything is going to be alright.

Luke 3: 7 – 18 **p. 1029**
People take up John's challenge and give up their wrong behaviour.

Hymns

Introit: Hark! a herald voice is calling **NEH 5**
Gradual: Psalm 25 **NEH 528**
Offertory: Lo! He comes with clouds descending **NEH 9**
Communion: Bread of the world in mercy broken **NEH 277**
Anthem: Turn thy face from my sins, make me a clean heart, O God - an anthem for Advent (*Thomas Attwood 1765 – 1838*)
Final: Thy kingdom come, O God **NEH 499**

The Prayer Chapel is always available for quiet and prayer. If you want anything prayed for in the coming week(s) please write details in the diary and there is also opportunity to light a candle for someone

Do stay for coffee or tea in the Hall

11.00am Morning Worship Nativity Play

Dates for your Diary

Today

4.30pm Carol Service, followed by refreshments
Collection for the Peace Hospice

Monday 18 December: Cleaning Team 3

Cranborne School are in Church all day and evening
7.30pm Town Carols at Wyllyotts Centre organized by Churches Together - all welcome. No tickets needed. Anyone to steward?

Tuesday 19 December

10.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Carol singing at Temple Court – all welcome
2.00 – 7.00pm Party at 86 Baker Street – see poster

Wednesday 20 December

9.15am Morning Prayer
2.30pm Wednesday Break Christmas Party in Main Hall

Thursday 21 December

9.15am Holy Communion
10.30am – 2.00pm **OPEN DOOR CAFÉ** (opens again on 11 Jan)
12noon **Open Door Café Carol Service** (20 minutes)
All welcome
2.30pm Mothers' Union attend Carol Service at Christ Church, Little Heath

Friday 22 December Michael's Free Day

9.15am Morning Prayer

Saturday 23 December

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Sunday 24 December: Advent 4/Christmas Eve

10.00am **Said Communion for Advent 4**
4.00pm **Crib Service**
6.00pm **Christingle Service**
11.30pm **Midnight Communion (Carols from 11.00pm)**

Monday 25 December: Christmas Day

10.30am **Christmas Communion – we invite children (old and young) to bring a present to show us**

NO WEEKDAY SERVICES

Sunday 31 December: Christmas 1

10.30am **United Service of Holy Communion**

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Sunday 7 January 2007: The Epiphany

9.15am

Sung Eucharist

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Readings – Isaiah 60: 1 – 6 p. 746
Ephesians 3: 1 – 12 p. 1174
Matthew 2: 1 - 12 p. 966

11.00am

Morning Worship led by Michael Burns
Children's Groups and Crèche also meet

Prayer, News, Action

A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS to you all and many thanks, in advance, for all the work and organisation that will go into our Christmas Services. A great many help in all sorts of ways – some high profile and some less so – but your work and efforts really are appreciated by so many. Thank you very much. Michael.

HELP WILL BE WELCOME with Stewarding and singing at the Services on Christmas Eve – please sign the list!

CHRISTMAS CARDS may be left in the usual place – but please check if there are cards for you! Donations in lieu of postage will be sent to the Peace Hospice.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS have been allocated by the PCC as follows:

ACT 4	£2,500
Royal British Legion	£100
Train-a-Priest-Fund	£200
St Luke's Hospital for the clergy	£100
Wycliffe Bible Translators	£200
USPG	£200
Mission to Seafarers	£200
European Christian Mission	£250
MU Literacy Project	£200
St Alban's Sleep Out	£100
Living Lights Bible Notes	£100

In addition the Children also support Elizabeth in Kayunga, Uganda to the tune of £15 per month.

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Theme: Our period of preparation shifts from repentance and forgiveness to the freed exhilaration of hope. The coming of Christ is something to anticipate, with delight and enthusiasm.

Welcome and Notices

Song: Holy Spirit, we welcome you

Confession and Absolution

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Song: Majesty

(during which the Collection will be taken)

Our Prayers

A Modern Nativity Play

Final Prayer and Blessing

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