

St John the Baptist Dronfield Weekly Newsheet



**December 2nd 2018
First Sunday of Advent
Choir Appreciation Day**

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns
turn us from the darkness of sin
to the light of holiness.
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour,
Jesus Christ,
Amen.

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

Jeremiah 33:14-16 p.749
1Thessalonians 3:9-end p.201
Luke 21:25-36 p.82

Give thanks for our Over 21 Group
Pray for St Philips Church and Revd Joel Bird
Lord, we pray that St John's Christmas Tree Festival may bring to people the joy of Jesus' birth.
Pray for Christian missionaries wherever they are.
Pray for peace in Syria, Yemen, Iraq, Iran, Israel, Palestine, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and other troubled parts of the world.
Pray for Christians persecuted for their faith.
Pray for victims of international trafficking and slavery.
Pray for a safe haven for refugees fleeing from war-torn areas of the world, and for those coping with the effects of terrorism and natural disasters.
Pray for all in governmental authority, at home and abroad, that their governance might be based on integrity and a genuine regard for the welfare of nations.

Items for this service sheet must reach the Parish Office by 10am on the Wednesday before the Sunday of publication.

WELCOME TO OUR FIRST EVER CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL!

**90+ Christmas Trees from
all groups in Dronfield!**

**Open daily to Sunday 9th
December inclusive 2-7.30pm
Stewards are needed to
welcome visitors and provide
refreshments.**

**Please sign on the form at the
back of Church, leave your
details at the Parish Office,
or contact Jill Bethell on
413276**

**This is a wonderful
opportunity to welcome many
visitors to our Church
Please help us to do so.**

**COFFEE MORNINGS FROM
10AM –NOON ON
SATURDAYS 1ST AND 8TH
DECEMBER**

PLEASE NOTE that during the Christmas Tree Festival the church will open at 2pm, with the exception of Wednesday morning when it will open at the usual time for Holy Communion.

CHURCH FLOWERS. Thank you to all who sponsor the weekly flower arrangements for the High Altar and Lady Chapel. We shall be creating a new sponsor list soon for 2019, so please could you confirm if you wish to continue. Due to the sad loss of some of our regular donors we are appealing for additional sponsors. The presence of flowers in church helps maintain a welcoming atmosphere, and provides an opportunity to commemorate a loved one. If you are interested in helping, it would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to Julia Duckworth or Jean Hobson for further information

NEW DAYLIGHT BIBLE STUDY BOOKLETS.
January-April 2019 issue now out. Copies £4.50 on the table at the back of church.

Welcome to our Services

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION

Service led by Revd Peter Bold

Readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16 p.749
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Luke 21:25-36 p.82

9.30am HOLY COMMUNION

Service led by Revd Peter Bold & Mrs Christine Orme

Hymns A&M 30, 42, 147 (omit v4&6), 55

Readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16 p.749
Luke 21:25-36 p.82

Intercessions: Revd Peter Bold

Anthem: His praises we'll sing (Bullard)

11.15am BAPTISM SERVICE

Service led by Revd Peter Bold.

We welcome Ivy Sally Holmes, her family and friends.

6.30pm ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

Service led from the sheet by Revd Peter Bold.

Events of the Week

Christmas Tree Festival Friday 30th – Sunday 9th 2-7.30pm

Sunday 2nd

12-3.00pm Christmas Cracker Crafts in Church Hall

Monday 3rd

9.30am Organ tuning

Tuesday 4th

Prayer & Care Christmas Dinner. Call Don Jacklin
412266 to book

Wednesday 5th

10.00am Holy Communion

8.00pm Organ recital by Nigel Gotteri in church

Thursday 6th

2.00pm Emmaus Bible study group meets at the
Rectory - all welcome

6.15pm Trebles practice

7.00pm Full choir practice

8.00pm Over 21 Group Christmas event

Friday 7th

1.45pm Little Fishes meets in church hall

2- 7.30pm Christmas Tree Festival begins today

Saturday 8th

9.15am Church Ramblers Ashford-in-the-Water
6mils. David Granger 206338

10.12 noon Guides Coffee morning in church

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■ **Sunday December 9th** ■
■ **Second Sunday of Advent** ■

■ 8.00am Holy Communion ■

■ 9.30am Holy Communion ■

■ 5.00pm Christingle ■
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Church Noticeboard

CONTACTS. Church-wardens Jill Bethell 413276,
Andrew MacLaurin 417527, Sue Sanford 417320

PASTORAL CARE Revd. Peter Bold 411531

CLERGY DAYS OFF: Peter - Mondays, William -
Thursdays, Joel - Fridays.

CHURCH WEBSITE. Visit us at:

www.dronfieldparishchurch.org.uk, or contact
angelahall@clara.co.uk

PRAYER AND CARE CHRISTMAS DINNER

Tuesday December 4th at the Wheatsheaf, Baslow.
There are a few places left - for more information
contact Don Jacklin on 412266

CALLYWHITE SERVICES Monday 24th December
2pm (Christmas Carols with residents' families) We
meet at reception between 1.50-1.55. If you know
of anyone who would like to come please let them
know. All blessings - Revd. Carolyn

FOR YOUR DIARIES

**Busy time coming up – our Christmas Tree
Festival runs from 2.00-7.30pm until Sunday 9th,
Coffee Mornings 1st & 8th December 10-12,
Christmas Cracker Crafts on Sunday 2nd, with
Advent Carols at 6.30pm, Organ Recital on
Wednesday 5th, and Christingle at 5pm on Sun-
day 9th!! Then a brief break.....**

ST. JOHN'S NEEDS A NEW CHRISTIAN AID

REPRESENTATIVE! Dronfield Christian Aid
committee organises several fund raising activities
each year for Christian Aid. Members of the
committee come from different Churches in
Dronfield and St John's now needs a new
representative. Can you help? Please contact
Marie Higginbottom on 416445 for more details.

CHRISTIAN AID - As you may have read, Julian
Alderton, my co-representative for this Church on
the CTDD Christian Aid Committee, is leaving the
area, much to my and the Committee's regret.
Julian has been a Committee member for the past
8 years and has been a great help and support,
not only to Christian Aid, but to me sharing the
paperwork and organisation of St John's activities,
and I am sure I can say for all of us "We are very
sorry you are leaving us Julian, thank you for all you
have done and enjoy your new life in Yorkshire."

- Marie