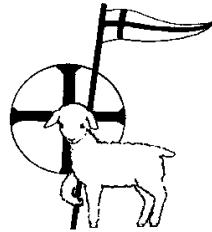


# St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



## NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

### **The Second Sunday before Advent**

Welcome to this historic church at the centre of a lively rural community. Refreshments are served after the 9.30 service. Do take this newsletter away to read later.

### **9.30 a.m. Parish Communion**

Celebrant: The Revd Dr Graham Southgate

Hymns: 398 (tune 395), NHWS 33, 420, 494 (t413)

Readings overleaf

Communion setting: Grayston Ives

God be in my head: Philip Wilby

After this service there is an opportunity to receive prayer either for your own or another's needs in St Andrew's Chapel at the east end of the Church

### **6.00 p.m. Choral Evensong (BCP)**

led by The Revd Joanna Naish

Responses: John Sanders

Hymns: 150; 339; 373 Psalm 89 vs 19-29

The Third Service: Philip Moore

Remember not O Lord, our offences: Henry Purcell

Prelude in C minor: JS Bach

### **SERVICES DURING THE WEEK:**

Holy Communion is said on Wednesday at 1000 a.m. and on Friday at 0800 a.m. in the Vestry

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## The Second Sunday before Advent

### The 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

**Amen**

### First Reading: Zephaniah 1.7,12-18

Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts ‘The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm.’

Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste.

Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save the day of the LORD’s wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

### Psalm 90.1-8, 12

Lord, you have / been our / refuge: from one gene /ration / to a/nother.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or the earth and the / world were / formed, from everlasting to ever /lasting / you are / God.

You turn us back to / dust and / say:  
“Turn / back O /children of / earth.”

For a thousand years in your sight are / but as / yesterday:  
which passes / like a / watch in the / night.

You sweep them away / like a / dream;  
they fade away / suddenly / like the / grass.

In the morning it is / green and / flourishes;  
in the evening it is / dried / up and / withered.

For we consume away in / your dis /pleasure;  
we are afraid at your / wrathful / indig /nation.

You have set our mis /deeds be /fore you:  
and our secret / sins in the / light of your / countenance.

So teach us to / number our / days:  
that we may ap/plly our / hearts to / wisdom

Glory to the Father and / to the / Son: and / to the / Holy / Spirit.  
as it was in the be /ginning is / now: and shall be for / ever / A- /men.

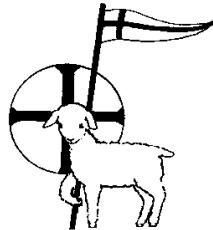
### **Second Reading : I Thessalonians 5.1-11**

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, ‘There is peace and security’, then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or

asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

### **The Gospel: Matthew 25.14-30**

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."



## **THIS WEEK**

### **The late Carol Louise Baxter**

We are sorry to report the death on 9<sup>th</sup> November of Carol Louise Baxter at Salisbury Hospital, formerly resident in The Square, Tisbury. The funeral service will take place this **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 2pm** in St John's Church, followed by burial at Tisbury Cemetery. We extend our condolences to family and friends.

### **Christmas Fair: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November: 1000 - 1200**

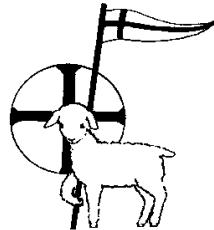
**in the Hinton Hall.** Stalls include food, gifts, books Christmas cards, raffle. Tea/coffee and mince pies. We would love to have contributions and help. There is a list in the church for volunteers who would like to make cakes and help at a stall. Do please sign up!

### **Gift Aid envelopes**

**A collection for the ministry and upkeep of this church is received at all Sunday services.** If you are not a regular giver and pay income tax, please use the blue envelopes in the pews, adding clearly your name and address. If you would prefer to give on a regular basis please contact Paul Naish (870731/ 07929 435474) Please make cheques payable to **Tisbury PCC.**

**Remembrance Sunday:** The Royal British Legion would like to thank all those who took a part in and attended the act of commemoration and the Remembrance Sunday Service. £363.93 was raised which is a significant contribution towards the ongoing care of ex-service personnel and their dependents.

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## **NEXT SUNDAY & BEYOND**

### **SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

**Christ the King [The Sunday next before Advent]**

**8.00 a.m.      Holy Communion (BCP)**

*Celebrant: The Revd John Hamilton*

**9.30 a.m.      Parish Communion**

*Celebrant: The Revd Mark Hayter*

*Readings: Ezekiel 34.11-16; 20-24; Psalm 95.1-7*

*Ephesians 1.15-end; Matthew 25.31-end*

*Hymns 436; 295; 338; NHWS 37*

*Communion setting: Grayston Ives*

*Ubi Caritas: Ola Ghello*

**6.00 p.m.      Prayer and Praise**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**, Tisbury Parochial Church Council meeting in the Hinton Hall at 7.00 p.m.

### **Thought for the week**

Prayer – if the only prayer I ever make is “thank you” it is enough

*Meister Eckhart*

Copies of Grapevine, the Salisbury Diocese newsletter are available at the desk – do take a copy away.