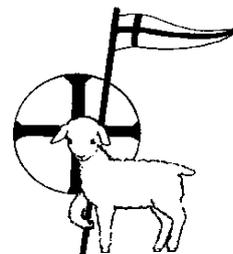


St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 9th December 2018 The Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome to this historic church at the centre of a lively rural community. Refreshments are served after the 9.30 service in the Lady Chapel. Please take away this newsletter to read later. Visit our website www.tisburyparishchurch.org for further information and news.

8.00 am Holy Communion
Celebrant: The Revd Dr Graham Southgate

9.30 am. Parish Communion

Celebrant: The Revd Juliette Hulme

Hymns 5, 12, 16, 9

Kyrie: *Merbecke* Sanctus, Agnus Dei (The Lincoln Setting) *Malcolm Archer*

How beautiful upon the mountains *John Stainer*

After Communion there is an opportunity for private prayer for yourself or someone else. Please go straight through to the St Andrew's Chapel.

Readings overleaf

4.00pm. Christingle Service & Blessing of the Christmas tree

Led by the Revds Joanna Naish and Juliette Hulme. Come and join this Advent festival of light with special "Christingles" made from oranges studded with sweets and a candle to take home. In aid of the Children's Society. All welcome.

THIS WEEK.

Morning Prayer is said on Wednesdays at 8.00am. Holy Communion is celebrated on Wednesdays at 10.00am and on Fridays at 8.00am in St Andrew's Chapel.

Wednesday	12th	5.30pm	St John's School Carol Service
		7.30pm	Healing Service

Forget Me Not Lunch: Wed 12th Dec Hinton Hall.

Doors open 12 noon. Two courses of delicious home made food plus tea/coffee or soft drink. Plus extra Christmas treats! Raffle with great prizes. £10 all in - **In Aid of Alzheimer's Support, Devizes.** Please phone or email Liz Jones if you'd like to come. Tel 870705 lizbeth.jones18@btopenworld.com

Christmas Concert: Friday 14th December

Tisbury Community Choir and St John's Church Band join forces in a Christmas concert. In church Friday 14th December at 7.30pm. Tickets at the door: Adult £5. Child £3. Family £12.

Next Sunday 16th December The Third Sunday of Advent

9.30 am. Parish Communion
Celebrant: The Revd Dr Graham Southgate

The Village Carol Service Monday 17th December: 7.30pm

Do come along to hear the Christmas story told through a sequence of lessons and carols. There's a new carol this year; a setting of *I wonder as I wander* receiving its first performance. Join in some favourite carols including *Silent Night*, and *Hark the herald angels sing*. This is always a popular service so come early if you want a good seat!

The Revd Juliette Hulme, Team Vicar
The Parish Office, Hinton Hall, Church St, Tisbury SP3 6NH
Open this week: Monday – Wednesday: 9.30am – 11.00am.

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The Second Sunday of Advent

The Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord to with whom you and the holy Spirit, be honour and glory now and for ever, **Amen.**

The First Reading: Malachi 3.1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

The Gospel Luke 3.1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah. 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

A collection for the ministry and upkeep of this church is received at all services. Envelopes are provided in the pews if you are able to gift aid your donation. To discuss regular giving please speak to Paul Naish (870731/07587 072900) or e mail sjtgiftaid@gmail.com Cheques should be made payable to Tisbury Parochial Church Council. **Online giving:** You can make an on line donation through our website www.tisburyparishchurch.org/donation.

One voice – Saturday 22nd December: Messums Wiltshire.

This is a free event. Join 200 voices including several local choirs. Bring your voice and best Christmas wishes to raise the roof from 6pm until 8pm. In aid of St John's Church East Window Appeal.

Christmas services at St John's

Monday 17 th December	7.30pm	Village Carol Service
Monday 24 th Christmas Eve	11.30pm	Midnight Mass [The First Eucharist of Christmas]
Tuesday 25 th Christmas Day	9.30am	Family Communion
Sunday 30 th December	<u>10.00am</u>	Area Parish Communion

The Annual Mince Pie Appeal

As we know Christmas is a time for giving. There will be many needy congregational, musical and clerical revellers who will welcome some post-service restoration after the Carol Service on Monday December 17th in the Hinton Hall. Please do donate some mince pies for this post-service occasion – either to a churchwarden or to the Parish Office. Thank you!