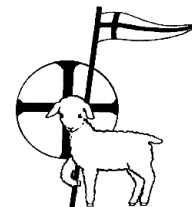


St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 12th November 2023

**The Third Sunday before Advent
Remembrance Sunday**

Today's Services

9.30am Parish Communion for the Third Sunday before Advent

President: Revd Juliette Hulme

Setting: Mass of St Thomas *David Thorne*

Hymns: 334 All people that on earth do dwell; 456 Teach me my God and King; 297 Lord Jesus Christ

During Communion: God himself is present *J Neander*

Final hymn: 485 (omit v4) Thy hand O God has guided

Organ voluntary: Prélude sur Veni Creator *Nicolas de Grigny*

The Revd Juliette Hulme is leading the Remembrance Service at Holy Trinity, Fonthill Gifford, at 10.55 this morning

2.45pm Wreath Laying Ceremony at the War Memorial

3.00pm Remembrance Service at St John's

We welcome as our preacher at this ecumenical service for the whole community of Tisbury the Ven Alan Jeans MBE, Archdeacon of Sarum and Chaplain to the Army Cadet Force.

Hymns are printed on a separate sheet.

Services during the week

Services of Holy Communion are held on Wednesdays at 10.00am St Andrew's Chapel (CW) and Fridays at 8.00am in the Vestry (BCP). All are welcome. Details of online services can be found on our website.

Next Sunday, 19th November

The Second Sunday before Advent

9.30am Parish Communion for the Second Sunday before Advent

President: Revd Juliette Hulme Preacher: Canon Judy Anderson

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Minister: Revd Juliette Hulme

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we pray this week for the ongoing development of those pastors trained with the help of Chalke Deanery.

A prayer of commemoration for the fallen

Father of all, remember your holy promise, and look with love on all your people, living and departed. On this day we especially ask that you would hold forever all who have suffered during war, those who returned scarred by warfare, those who waited anxiously at home, and those who returned wounded, and disillusioned; those who mourned, and those communities that were diminished and suffered loss. Remember too those who acted with kindly compassion, those who bravely risked their own lives for their comrades, and those who in the aftermath of war, worked tirelessly for a more peaceful world. And as you remember them, remember us, O Lord; grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every language, race, and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's kingdom. Amen.



In Memoriam

The funeral of **Stuart Jack** will take place at St John's at 1.00pm on Monday 13th November.

Please pray for his family and friends as they mourn.

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The Collect for the Third Sunday before Advent

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Epistle: I Thessalonians 4.13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13

Jesus said, 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

The Reading for Remembrance: Micah 4.1-5

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

Giving to the church



Thank you very much to those who continue to give regularly to the church. If you haven't committed to regular giving, why not consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme? If you go to www.parishgiving.org.uk you can get onto the secure website and set up a login and password. This will enable you set up your own direct debit (and sign up for gift aid if applicable). Alternatively, you can pick up a leaflet in church. If you require help or advice on giving, please contact Paul Naish, email sjtgiftaid@gmail.com tel 01747 870731. Cheques should be made payable to Tisbury PCC.