

Notices

Jazz Night

A huge thank you to everyone who helped and attended the event. We raised over £800 which will xxxxx

Christmas Draw

It is that time of year again. Please see Kath or Veronica to get your Christmas draw tickets and take some home to sell to family and friends if you can. Tickets are £1.

First prize - £100

Second prize - FAB hamper

Third prize - Roebuck Inn voucher.

Church Fair

Sunday 7th December, after the service

Lots of fun for all the family.

Lots of stalls - craft, games and tombolas.

Refreshments, including bacon butties, and of course a visit from Santa!

Donations for the Fair

All donations gratefully received. Bottles and chocolates for the tombolas, as well as any toiletries/unused gifts/toys for the bric-a-brac stall. There is a sign up sheet for perishables such as bacon at the back of church.

.If you could also donate some time please speak to Steve, Veronica, Kath or Edna.

Ponsettia flowers in remembrance

St John the Baptist Hey



*Receiving & Sharing the Love of God
Everyday*

Sunday 30th November 2025

1st Sunday of Advent

8.00 am - Holy Communion

9.15 am - Holy Communion

Readings & Hymns

Processional	140	Come, thou long-expected Jesus
First Reading		Isaiah 2:1-5
Second Reading		Romans 13:11-end
Gradual	699	The advent of our King
Gospel Reading		Matthew 24.36-44
Intercession		<i>In our need we pray to the Lord</i>
Offertory	150	Crown him with many crowns
Communion	670	Soul of my Saviour
Communion	774	Thy kingdom come, O God
Final	449	Lo, he comes with clouds descending

Advent Candle 1

Advent candles tell their story
as we watch and pray,
Longing for the Day of Glory,
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,
changed for gladness on that Day.

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,

now and for ever.

Post Communion

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee/tea
and biscuits after the 9.15am service
in the Church Hall.*

This Week

Wednesday 3rd December
10.00 am Holy Communion



Our Prayers are asked for:

The World

For the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice & truth. We pray for peace & the laying down of weapons in Ukraine. We pray for restraint on all sides in the violence in Israel, Gaza, Iran, Sudan, Yemen & the Middle East and that the ceasefire holds.

The Church

The new Arch Bishop of Canterbury, the Most Reverend Sarah Mullally. Our Bishops David, Mark & Matthew. Archdeacon Karen, Area Dean Daniel and visiting clergy. All those who work in the background to provide a welcoming Church here at St John's.

The Community of the Parish

Staff & Pupils at Hey with Zion Primary School, Springhead Primary & Junior School. The staff and pupils at Laugh'n'Learn Nursery here at St John's. The staff & residents of Oakdene Care Home, Millfield Care Home.

The street of our Parish – the residents of Station Street.

Anniversary of Death

Jack Heywood, Marion Heap,
Kitty Story and Anne Davies.

The Sick

Hilary, Grace Stansfield, Terence Davies,
Geoff & Hazel Gee and
anyone close to our own hearts.

Please forward any items to be included in the pew sheets by the end of Wednesday each week to
Barbara Ballantyne
pewsheetsjohn@gmail.com
07855 502697

Advent Activities

Advent Compline - Zoom Service

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2nd December

Compline is a relatively short traditional evening prayer, where we hand off the day to God and pray for a restful night.

The 'busy-ness' of the Christmas season can sometimes lose the stillness of 'waiting' through Advent. Join us for 10 mins of prayer and re-set. Everyone welcome.

Zoom links are very long and complex.

To make it easier to connect please email
pewsheetsjohn@gmail.com

and the link and passwords will be sent out.

Sunday 7th December

Church Fair after the service.

Sunday 14th December

2.30pm - Carol Service with 9 lessons and carols followed by mince pies and sherry.

Wednesday 24th December

6pm Christingle Service

11.30pm Combined Parish Midnight Mass at St John's

Thursday 25th December

Combined Christmas Day Service at St Agnes

What do I do at Communion?

If you receive Holy Communion at any Christian Church, you are welcome to receive it here. Otherwise please come forward with everyone else to receive God's blessing, keeping your head bowed. If you are unable to come forward, please speak to a warden to arrange for Communion to be brought to you.

"Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works."
Hebrews 10:24

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