

**12 November 2017**

**The Third Sunday before Advent**

**Welcome!**

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. We pray for the day when all wars will cease, and that there may be peace on earth as there is in heaven.

**Services for Today**

**St Peter's, Winchcombe**

8.00am Holy Communion

*President and Preacher: John Paul Hoskins*

10.30am Remembrance Service at the War Memorial

*Officiant: Bishop Peter Firth*  
*Preacher: Ann Owen*

6.30pm Choral Evensong

*Officiant and Preacher: John Paul Hoskins*

**Christ Church, Gretton**

10.00am Remembrance Service and Holy Communion

*President and Preacher: Rob Pestell*

**St Michael's, Stanley Pontlarge**

No service today

**Today's Readings**

**Morning Service**

Amos 5.18-24 (OT, page 869)

Matthew 25.1-13 (NT, page 27)

**Choral Evensong**

Judges 7.2-22 (OT, page 231)

I John 5.9-17 (NT, page 238)

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## Collect

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.

## Weekday Services (14-18 November)

Services are at St Peter's unless otherwise stated.

<b>Monday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
	12.00pm	Funeral of Alan Lee at Gretton
<b>Wednesday</b>	4.30pm	Evening Prayer at Didbrook
<b>Thursday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
	10.00am	Toddler Service
<b>Friday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion

## Sunday 19 November – 2 before Advent

### St Peter's, Winchcombe

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion

6.30pm Choral Evensong

### St Michael's, Stanley Pontlarge

9.15am Holy Communion

### Christ Church, Gretton

10.00am Morning Worship

## Christingle Candle Collection

Please collect a Christingle Candle money box  
from St Peter's to be filled and brought to our  
Christingle on 3 December.

## **Thank You**

Thank you to all those who attended the Pudding Party. We raised £300.00 for the St Peter's Church clock. It was a great evening.

## **Willing Helpers Needed**

If you would be willing to help make and serve coffee on Sundays after the 10.30am service at St Peter's, please talk to Rachel Merritt (602067). This is an important part of our fellowship and it would be great to expand the team.

Thank you to Anna Hay who is stepping down after many years organising this due to new and exciting commitments.

## **New Assistant Curate**

We are delighted to announce that Rachel Murray will be coming to Winchcombe next summer as our assistant curate. Rachel is currently training at Westcott House in Cambridge and will be ordained deacon in July. We look forward to welcoming her to the parish.

## **St Peter's Church Maintenance Day**

On Saturday 18 November willing helpers are needed for maintenance of the church and grounds. Please contact Stewart Aylward at [maintenance@winchcombeparish.org.uk](mailto:maintenance@winchcombeparish.org.uk).

## **St Michael's Church Maintenance Day**

We also need willing volunteers to help at St Michael's, Stanley Pontlarge, on the morning of Saturday 25 November. Please contact Anne Dean at [oldvic51@btinternet.com](mailto:oldvic51@btinternet.com).

## **Ladies' Breakfast**

From 8.30am on Sunday 26 November the ladies will meet at the Rectory for breakfast. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

## **Waiting for the Light**

Prepare for Christmas with a time of peace and reflection to discover the gifts of the Advent Season. St Peter's Church, Saturday 2 December, 10.00-12.30pm followed by bring and share lunch. Please reserve your place at St Peter's Centre. From 2.30pm we will be making Christingles at St Peter's Centre.

On Sunday 3 December at 6.30pm there will be an Advent Carol Service at St Peter's.

## Music at St Peter's Today

### Choral Evensong:

Hymns: 249, Psalm 82, 186, 187

Anthem: For remembrance – Keith Sparrow

Before the service: Nimrod from the Enigma Variations -  
Elgar

After the service: 'St Anne' Fugue in Eb – J.S. Bach

## Christian Aid Lunch

Helpers are needed for the Christian Aid Lunch on 23 March 2018. Please contact Janet Dufton (303387) for more information.

## Children and Young People

### Christingle Service

The next All Age Worship on Sunday 3 December will be a Christingle. We do hope that you will be able join us.

### Crib Service

Please join us for one of our Crib Services – on Sunday 17 December at 3.00pm at St Peter's, Winchcombe and 24 December 4.00pm at Christ Church, Gretton.

### Toddler Service Dates

Please join us for our Toddler Service at St Peter's on Thursdays at 10.00am. This is an informal service for babies to preschool with stories, music, craft and refreshments. The next toddler services will be on Thursday 16 and 30 November and 14 December.

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