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Intercessions

Please pray for these and their families

Jean Williamson	Vera Alflatt
Revd Kes Grant	Millie Moss
Sam Jenner & Family	Audrey Little
Clive & Andrea Lever	Ruth Crewe
Derek & Sue Parker	Chris CSJD
Dawn Gamble	Daphne Holland
Manuell Family	Nigel Gunyon
Debbie Proctor & Family	Diana Caley
Stella Bridges & Family	Patty
JohnJo Flood	Jane Sadler
Jenny Wooldridge & Family	Paul Crease
Family of late Ann Grant	
The departed and all who mourn their passing	
Ann Grant	Brian Wooldridge
Geoffrey Roscow	Alistair Crewe
Ken Bridges	Carl Proctor

Notices

**The Clergy and Churchwardens wish you
A Very Merry Christmas!**

Thank you - A big thankyou to all of our volunteers in making the Churches look so wonderful over this festive period.

Choral Music – “This month’s Communion motets and Evensong anthems celebrate Christ’s Coming of Birth”

The Wilmington Players – Can confirm they are performing the much loved comedy “Arsenic and Old Lace”. The Wednesday night performance would be on the 1st May at the Hazlitt Theatre.

Deanery Prayer for December - Please see Community and the notice boards for further details.

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23rd December 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

At All Saints

Readings at the 8.00am Said Eucharist begin on page 52 and the service starts on page 237.

**Music for the 9.30am Choral Eucharist
Chancel Service**

NEH 9 Lo! He comes with clouds descending

NEH 15 The Lord will come and not be slow

NEH 19 Come, thou Redeemer of the earth

NEH 21 A great and mighty wonder

During the Administration music will be played on the organ

Concluding organ voluntary

Louise-Claude D’Aquin Noel Suisse

11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Philips

**Please join us for refreshments after
the 9.30am & 11.00am Service**

What’s on this Week

Monday	24th December
4.00pm	Christingle Service at All Saints
5.00pm	Christingle Service at St Philips
11.30pm	Midnight Eucharist at All Saints
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Tuesday	25th December
10.00am	Parish Eucharist at All Saints
No Coffee & Chat back on 1st January	

Thursday	27th December
12.00noon	Said Eucharist at All Saints

Sunday	30th December
The First Sunday of Christmas	
8.00am BCP Said Eucharist at All Saints	
9.30am Parish Eucharist at All Saints	
11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Philips	
11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Stephens	
No Choral Evensong	

Readings for the main Eucharist next week

1 Sam 2.18-20, 26 Col 3.12-17 Luke 2.41-end

CW Eucharistic Readings & Prayers today

COLLECT

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading Micah 5.2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, Whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace. If the Assyrians come into our land and tread upon our soil, we will raise against them seven shepherds and eight installed as rulers.

Reading Hebrews 10.5-10

Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, 'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God" (in the scroll of the book it is written of me).' When he said above, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt-offerings and sin offerings' (these are offered according to the law), then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Gospel Luke 1.39-45

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

Gospel Acclamation (All Saints Only)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his/ paths/ straight, and all flesh shall see the sal / vation / of God. **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia**

POST COMMUNION

Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour fill us your servants with your grace, That in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please take this leaflet away with you!

