Parish of Seale, Puttenham & Wanborough

SUNDAY Supplement www.spw.org.uk



Sunday 24th / Monday 25th December

Revised Christmas Services

Christmas Eve

3.00 pm Nativity Service at St John the Baptist, Puttenham

4.30 pm Nativity Christingle Service at St Laurence, Seale

11.30 pm United Midnight Mass at St. Laurence, Seale

Christmas Day

10.30 am United Christmas Communion at St. John the Baptist, Puttenham

10.30 am Christmas Service (said) at St. Laurence, Seale

Today's Readings

Hebrews 1.1-12; John 1.1-14

Collects

Christmas Night

Eternal God,
who made this most holy night
to shine with the brightness of
your one true light:
bring us, who have known the
revelation of that light on earth,
to see the radiance of your
heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son
our Lord, who is alive and reigns
with you, in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Christmas Day

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FROM THE RECTORY DESK

Dear Friends,

We are sorry about the confusion over our Christmas services this year, but several



key people, myself included, have been ill with Covid. Fortunately, Bishop Paul kindly offered to officiate at Midnight Mass at Seale and Christmas morning at Puttenham. We are most grateful at a time when little help is available with so many people ill. We have cancelled the service at Wanborough and Midnight Mass at Puttenham in the hope that people will attend the services led by the Bishop.

Thank you all for your kind Christmas cards and get-well wishes, which are well received at the Rectory. There was a very generous response to the gifting services with St. Mark's food bank supplied with Christmas table cheer and the women's refuge in Dorking with children's toys. THANK YOU

Such a joy to celebrate the amazing birth of Jesus that earth has once again been touched by heaven's grace and beauty. The miracle of a wondrous gift.

We wish you all a very holy and blessed Christmas,

Rector



Caroline Yarnold, recovering in hospital
Stuart Mayes, recovering at home
Christopher Tuckwell, recovering at home
All our parishioners smitten with Covid
Homeless people at Christmas

The peace of Jerusalem

The birth of our Saviour

Under GDPR rules we need permission to name verbally or in print anyone who is ill and needs our prayers, so please let us know if we can pray for you.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Tue 26 Dec No Shepherd's Rest Café today. Reopens on

Tuesday 29thJanuary

Wed 27 Dec 2.00 pm Bible Hub at The Good Shepherd, The Sands

Studies in John's Gospel

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY – 31st December

Christmas 1

10.30 am United Communion at St. Laurence, Seale

FUTURE EVENTS



Please contact the Rector if you are unable to attend church and would like to receive Communion at home. Also, contact the Rector if you would like a visit from our Lay Pastoral Visitors.

GIFTING TO THE CHURCH

BY BANK TRANSFER OR STANDING ORDER: to the SPWPCC bank account, which is at Lloyds Bank, Farnham, sort code 30 93 20, account number 02210758, (do include your name for reference).



BY CHEQUE: Send to the Treasurer, c/o The Rectory, Elstead Road, Seale, Farnham, GU10 1JA. Contact the Churchwardens for Gift Aid forms and increase the value of your giving.

CONTACTLESS: now available at Seale, Puttenham and Wanborough.

ONLINE: once or monthly by following this link, where you will find a Gift Aid option. **PARISH GIVING SCHEME** To change your regular Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) donation, please write to: Parish Giving Scheme, 76 Kingsholm Road, Gloucester GL1 3BD, email to info@parishgiving.org.uk or phone 0333 002 1260. It helps to include the PGS reference number, which can be found below your address on PGS correspondence. If you would like to start a regular PGS donation, or have any questions, please contact Mike Cloughley, our PGS coordinator: Telephone number: 01252 793639 Email: cloughley@btinternet.com



Please contact any member of the Ministry or Pastoral team if you are anxious, lonely or would like a spiritual or social chat.

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You can contact Anne confidentially if you have any safeguarding concerns.