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Quedgeley & Kingsway



Around the Spire



Christmas & New Year edition

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Sunday 19th
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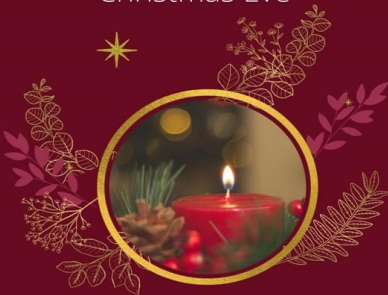
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Christmas Eve 24th
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Your Editor Fr. Hugh



I write this Editorial well in advance because of holidays!

As I write there are two issues which dominate the headlines - THE CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE IN GLASGOW and the latest dilemma of how best to combat the latest surge in COVID CASES.

It is all too easy to watch these dramas unfold and to say – ‘Why don’t THEY do something about it!’

Why indeed! It is very easy to try to provide answers to these cases which dominate our news, but we do not have the responsibility to do so, and to pass judgement on those who do!

By the time you read this Editorial things might well have moved on in both these major topics for good or ill.

Why do I open this Editorial with this scenario?

I do so because all of us do have a responsibility to be involved – BUT HOW? – you may well say!

Now before you chuck this magazine away in frustration, please do look at it this way!

This is a Christian publication which seeks to address issues like these in a measured and balanced way, and here is my suggestion. We understand that this publication reaches at least 700 homes, through the printed format or other means. It is reasonable to assume that it is therefore at least partly read by those who do receive it.

It is with this thought in mind that you, the reader do have a belief of some kind, that I would like to suggest that you can approach this whole very important time in an approach with PRAYER. This applies to YOU who are reading this whether you attend church or not!

To help you to do this, here is a way you might like to approach it in this present part of the Christian Year.

ADVENT – this is the time to PREPARE! It covers the first part of this issue of ‘Around the Spire’ when we recall the journeys made to Bethlehem by those who had been told that there they would find the Babe, born in the most humble way possible – and so they came with their gifts.

CHRISTMAS – which really needs no introduction as through carols. Bible readings. presents, tinsel and all the rest we celebrate what we hold will be for us a happy and meaningful time.

EPIPHANY – the SHOWING – as the whole chapter of this great story comes to its end with another event as these strange fellows also come to see what it is all about!

SO THERE WE ARE!

Do try this as a part of your own journey through this special time –

DO SO BEING MINDFUL OF HOW IMPORTANT – even VITAL IT ALL IS!

Of course, and you would expect me to say this – that you might like to come with others to observe this with us at St James Church here in Quedgeley. You can find details of all our services in this magazine – we would love to see you!

DO HAVE A LOVELY CHRISTMAS TIME – AND THINK SOMETIMES OF THESE NEEDS!

FATHER HUGH

“What is that called?” and
“What is it for?”

By Revd. Fr. Ian Robb



This month we focus on the Church Calendar – the Seasons & their colours.

The Christian Year begins with the Season of **Advent** which usually starts on the last Sunday in November and occupies four Sundays before Christmas. It compresses into those short weeks all the years of promises, of waiting, and hoping, for the coming of the Messiah. It is both a joyful season – the word “Alleluia” is often used – and also a season of penitence as we acknowledge the sinfulness of humanity which brought about the need for a Saviour. So the



colour of Advent is purple and the decoration of the church building is minimal, apart from the lighting of the Advent Candles, one by one, to symbolise the coming of light to a world made dark by sin. During Advent we hear readings from the Old Testament Prophets who were inspired by God to preach about the need for repentance and then to promise the coming of a Saviour who would bring in a new world order. The ministry of John the Baptist is introduced on the third Sunday in Advent - “Gaudete” (Rejoice!) - he is the fore runner of the Saviour who is about to come among his people. The season climaxes with the call to the Blessed Virgin Mary to take a vital part in the plan of redemption by bring the mother of the Word-made-Flesh.

Christmas commemorates the birth of the Messiah, the Son of God, who comes at last to liberate all those who will turn to him. We keep December 25th as the Birthday of Jesus, but there is much more to it than that. This is the day when we celebrate the Incarnation – God becoming Man, taking human flesh and sharing, for a time, in every experience of our existence. St John speaks of “The Word made flesh” - the culmination of all those centuries of prophecy and preaching, when God comes to Earth in human form, thanks to the child-bearing of Blessed Mary. In church, the colour of the season turns to white and gold – colours of light and celebration – carols are sung, and the white candle in the middle of the Advent ring is finally lit. Although the secular world thinks that Christmas is over by 27th December, the season does in fact continue until 2nd February, forty days later, when the child Jesus was presented in the Temple in Jerusalem and proclaimed by Simeon and Anna as “The light to lighten the Gentiles” - the whole world!

Twelve days after 25th December brings us to January 6th, the **Feast of Epiphany** – the word means “revealing, or showing forth” - when we remember the visit of the Wise Men, representatives of the Gentile World, who were inspired to go and find the infant Messiah. It is only in



Matthew's Gospel that we find the account of this visit, but nevertheless it is a most important occasion, signifying that Jesus came, not only as the Saviour of Israel but of the whole world too. The gifts which the Magi presented – gold, frankincense, and myrrh – say what they believed about the child: that he was destined to be a king (whose kingdom was not of this world, but who nevertheless was worthy of a crown); that he was also to be a high priest who would not only lead his people in prayer but would also, by means of his own sacrifice, lead them back to the Father. The necessity of his death would require his body to be anointed with myrrh.

In Epiphany, the colour is white – for celebration, because we shall hear each of the four evangelists give us their version of the revelation of Christ to the world.

But the weeks roll by and so we shall approach the season of Lent. But between Epiphany and Lent we have a short season of “Ordinary Time” when we shall hear about some of the earlier parts of Jesus' ministry. In Ordinary Time our colour is green; we could describe it as God's own colour as it is made by the action of the sun, giving all living plants their living colour. A most appropriate colour for the time of year!

But we must not get too far ahead! For now, let's concentrate on what we are to experience in the next few weeks: the Promise of a Saviour who will rescue us from sin and death; the call to acknowledge that we are not at all perfect and need to repent; thanksgiving that a young Galilean maid was willing to be part of God's plan for the world; the joy that God loves us so much that he is willing to come and share our lives and show us a better way to live.

It was suggested to me some time ago that the gift of Jesus to our world was the only “Gift that keeps on giving”; how true that is! It is only in Jesus that all our wants are satisfied, all our worries are relieved, all our pain is healed, and all our sins are forgiven. If that is not reason enough to rejoice and give thanks....!

A joyful Advent, a happy and blessed Christmas, and an enlightened Epiphany to you all!

Father Ian

More dates from the Christian Calendar next time!

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6).

The Faith We Sing

By Revd. Canon Michael Garland



During the frantic and busy weeks leading up to Christmas, the words and music of Christmas carols, old and new, never seem to be far away. While so many things around us change, carols have a sense of timelessness about them, sharing the message of Christ's birth in a delightful and sometimes challenging way. We are not sure how the word 'carol' came to be associated with these seasonal texts and tunes. It is most likely that the word derives from an old French word used to describe a celebratory song with dancing. It is interesting to note that one of our lesser-known carols highlights the life of Jesus Christ as a dance in much the same way as Sydney Carter does in his well-known song 'Lord of the dance.' Here is the first verse of the carol which quite possibly originated in Cornwall over two hundred years ago:

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day; I would my true
love did so chance
To see the legend of my play, to call my true love to the dance.
*Sing O my love, O my love, my love, my love,
This have I done for my true love.*

This carol has eleven verses in all and as it moves on, so it relates the key moments in our Lord's life – birth, baptism, temptation, betrayal, trial and crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension. It is hardly ever sung in its entirety today except in the musically challenging setting by the Cheltenham-born composer, Gustav Holst.

People often ask when carols first appeared. Christmas hymn or songs about the birth of Christ were sung as long ago as the thirteenth century, but words relating the story of the incarnation are even earlier. St Ambrose, Bishop of Milan in the fourth century, was one of the earliest writers and an Advent/Christmas hymn of his still survives and is in frequent use today. The text is in Latin but the translation to English (by John Mason Neale 1818-66) is given alongside:

Veni, Redemptor gentium,	Come thou Redeemer of the earth,
Ostende partum virginis.	And manifest thy virgin birth.
Miretur omne speculum:	Let every age adoring fail:
Talis decet partus Deum.	Such birth befits the God of all.

Some of our carols incorporate both English and Latin in a style described as macaronic (meaning 'mixed' or 'jumbled.' Here is an example:

<i>In dulci jubilo</i>	<i>(with sweet jubilation)</i>
Let us our homage show;	
Our heart's joy reclineth	
<i>In praesepeio</i>	<i>(in a manger)</i>
And like a bright star shineth,	
<i>Matris in gremio,</i>	<i>(in [your] mother's lap)</i>
<i>Alpha es et O. Alpha es et O.</i>	<i>(You are Alpha and Omega)</i>

This carol is better known to the words, 'Good Christian men, rejoice' or, to be gender sensitive, 'Good Christians all, rejoice.'

In 1582, a collection of tunes and texts was published in Finland, entitled *Piae Cantiones* (pious songs). The tunes include *Puer nobis* (Unto us a boy is born! King of all creation); *Tempus adest floridum* (Good King Wenceslas) though the tune title actually refers to the blooming of flowers in spring; and *Divinum mysterium* (Of the Father's love begotten). A carol known as 'Gaudete' (Rejoice) also made an appearance here, made popular in more recent years by the folk group, Steeleye Span.

The nineteenth century saw the rise in popularity of Christmas carols with printed collections becoming available. *Christmas Carols Old and New* was published in 1878 and included the words and music of seventy carols including: 'God rest you merry, gentlemen', 'The First Nowell', 'See, amid the winter's snow', and 'The Holly and the Ivy'. Interestingly, the tune we associate with 'The Holly and the Ivy' was collected by Cecil Sharp from a melody first heard in Chipping Campden. Gloucestershire has a claim to fame in the world of carols! The nineteenth century also saw the appearance and use of the great Christmas hymns, including Charles Wesley's 'Hark, the herald angels sing,' Frederick Oakley's 'O come, all ye faithful' and Bishop Phillips Brooks' 'O little town of Bethlehem.' The twentieth century saw the traditional Carol Service becoming established in churches up and down the country and all over the world. In 1918, the world-famous 'Service of Nine Lessons and Carols' was broadcast from the chapel of King's College, Cambridge and the pattern of scripture readings recounting the story of faith and salvation, interspersed with carols, is still repeated today, over one hundred years later. The opening hymn in that broadcast service has remained unchanged for 103 years. It is, of course, 'Once in royal David's city,' by Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander, the author of other great hymns, including 'All things bright and beautiful' and 'There is a green hill, far away.'

To say that carols have a universal popularity is, I think, an important truth. A glance at carol books over the last fifty years helps us to understand and emphasise our unity in Christ as we sing and hear carols from so many different places in the world. What is your favourite carol, I wonder? Last year, the BBC asked people in the UK to vote on this subject and the top ten emerged as follows:

1. [O holy night](#)
2. [Silent Night](#)
3. [In the bleak midwinter](#)
4. [Hark the herald angels sing](#)
5. [O come, all ye faithful](#)
6. [O little town of Bethlehem](#)
7. [Once in royal David's city](#)
8. [Away in a manger](#)
9. [Joy to the world](#)
10. [O come, O come, Emmanuel](#)

Whatever your top ten may look like, do enjoy singing and listening to carols this Christmas as we celebrate and rejoice at the birth of Jesus, our Emmanuel - God with us.

If you are reading this 'on line' then click on the links to the carols sung by Kings College Cambridge and enjoy!

Fr. Michael



Richard Cook Leader of Gloucester City Council writes about climate change and effects on Gloucester



Cop 26 in Glasgow proves that we must all seek to find ways to mitigate the climate change issues that look increasingly threatening.

In Gloucester we have noted that only 3% of our space has tree cover. It is well known that increasing the amount of trees is beneficial, because trees absorb carbon dioxide whilst they are growing. In addition, concrete surfaces shaded by a bank of trees can be cooled by up to 20C in the summer. We live in a city that is low lying and at risk of flooding. Trees will reduce runoff by up to 60% if planted in the right place, even during winter when not in leaf.

The County Council is responsible for roads and footpaths within the City and I have arranged to meet with the County's Cabinet Lead Member for Environment with a view to increasing the number of trees along roads. The County Council has promised to plant millions of trees over the next decade. I want to make sure Gloucester helps.

Last year I promised each City Councillor up to 300 trees to plant within their own ward – a total of nearly 12,000 trees across the city. They may choose to plant larger specimen trees rather than the whips promised, but all will do the job of removing carbon dioxide, and, in the right place, they will also reduce air pollution such as nitrous oxide which can cause problems where traffic is heavy for short periods, such as near schools during drop off and pick up times.

Covid has delayed the programme but it should be ready to proceed this winter. **Councillors will be looking for space to plant the trees and help to plant them. Please contact your city Councillor if you can help.**

Others are also working hard to help. Enovert, a company which has taken over the site which used to be the former landfill at Hempsted, have plans to plant 100,000 on 260 acres of the site over the next few years. They will be of a species which can be readily coppiced to provide biomass which can be used to produce renewable energy. That saves the use of fossil fuels to produce energy, which is currently used by nearby businesses.

Tree planting is one of many ways we will improve climate change outcomes. There are others which we will eventually all have to undertake if we are to keep our planet safe.



Cllr. Richard Cook, taking the lead at the beginning of the tree planting project. Councillors have been promised up to 300 trees to plant in their area.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. Luke 2.7

A Christmas Prayer

O mother of all tenderness,
during this holy season we
pray

in thanksgiving for family and
friends -

may we never take them for granted.

We pray for all for whom Christmas brings
little joy but added worry:

comfort them and grace them with your peace.

Give courage to all who suffer oppression,
and make plain the way of help.

Grant to all of us to spread the spirit
of your Son, whose birthday we keep,
through acts of kindness and words of goodwill,
this day and forever more.

Amen



“And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. “ Luke 2 8:13

Tricia's Turkey & Leek Pie

Tasty dish to use up turkey left overs



Ingredients

2 rashers of smoked streaky bacon, chopped

1/4 bunch of fresh thyme leaves

1 kg of leeks (washed, trimmed; white end chopped into chunks, green end thinly sliced)

fresh ground black pepper, sea salt

400g of cooked turkey torn into chunks

1 heaped tablespoon of plain flour + extra for dusting

1 pint of turkey or chicken stock

1 tablespoon of creme fraiche

250gm puff pastry

6 jarred or vac-packed chestnuts roasted & peeled

1 sprig of fresh sage, leaves picked

1 egg, beaten

Preheat oven to 190 c

Method

Preheat your oven to 190c, gas 5.

Fry the bacon in olive oil with thyme leaves for a few minutes, add leeks & fry for 3 minutes, add salt and pepper, cover your pan and simmer gently for 30 minutes, stirring every 5 to 10 minutes. Stir in the turkey and any stuffing if you have it. Add the flour, stir well and then add the stock followed by the creme fraiche and bring back to the boil. Add more salt and pepper to taste. Remove from the heat and sieve the mixture. Leave to drain while you prepare the pastry.

Use a dish approx 15x24cm. Roll out the pastry until it is roughly twice the size of your dish. Crumble the chestnuts over 1/2 of the pastry then shred a few sage leaves over the chestnuts. Fold the other 1/2 of the pastry on top and roll out until it will cover your dish.

Spoon the mixture from your sieve into your dish, spread evenly and cover with the pastry. Then gently score the pastry diagonally with a knife and brush with the beaten egg. Cook in the oven for 35 to 40 minutes or until the pastry is golden and puffed up. When ready re-heat the gravy that you had previously strained to serve with the pie.

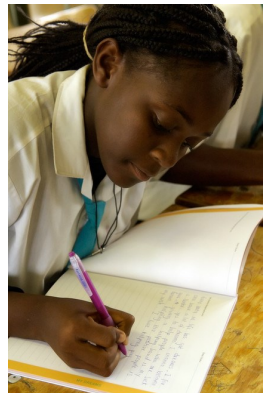
You are writing a Gospel, a chapter each day,

By deeds that you do, and by words that you say.

People read what you write, words faithful or true,

So, what is the Gospel according to you?



Words by Paul Gilbert.



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When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about ." Luke 2 15:16



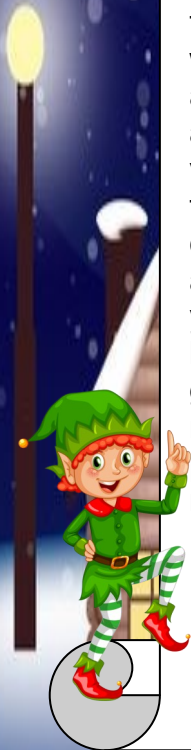
Letter from Father Christmas

Hello Children,

This must be quite a surprise getting a letter from me, as it's always me that gets letters from you, but my elves have just woken me up, shouting, "Santa, Santa, wake up, it has started snowing". You see, boys and girls, here in Lapland it doesn't snow all the time, and when there's no snow, I'm afraid that I get rather tired and fall asleep quite a bit. But now we have lots of snow and all the reindeers are shaking their heads, ringing their bells and getting very excited. My elves are very excited too and are looking forward to get lots of presents ready for me deliver. So my letter is important for me as well as you, because now it's time for you to start writing to me. My elves have lots of fun reading all your letters and getting all the presents ready. I must go now and make sure that the sleigh is all polished up ready for my magical journey round the world to visit on Christmas Eve.

Bye bye children.

Father Christmas.





It has been a busy return to school this September with a few stand out highlights.

The children were so excited to return to St. James Church for Harvest Festival. They took great delight in singing hymns again after a hiatus of 18 months following Covid19 which luckily didn't seem to have affected their enthusiasm! We are particularly grateful to Fr Michael for leading our service.

Similarly, it has been a joy to welcome back familiar faces now we are allowed to have visitors in school again, in particular the return of St. James Open the Book Team. Their story telling is second to none and is a firm favourite with the children here at Clearwater!

The school also received a visit from Member of Parliament, Richard Graham and Cllr Justin Hudson, one of our ward Councillors, and Cabinet Member for Communities for Gloucester City Council along with our Chair and Vice Chair of Governors. The visitors met with children and staff and went into each classroom to talk to our pupils. Year 3 gave a presentation on our school values of joy, compassion, responsibility, respect, community and courage and how they show them both at school and at home. Our Year 4 pupils presented on British values and followed this up with a question and answer session. This was a fabulous opportunity for the children to talk to parliamentarians about how they use British values in their work and the sometimes difficult decisions that they have to make.

The children also heard about the work Cllr. Hudson carried out supporting people throughout the pandemic. Something that the children and our families have done through Harvest collections and support for the Hamper Scamper Appeal for Caring for Communities and People (CCP).

We have been delighted to welcome new families to our Clearwater community with our new reception children settling so well into school. If you or anyone you know has a child looking for a school place next September then please do have a look at our Facebook page and website to see all the amazing learning opportunities that happen throughout the day. You can always book onto one of our Open Days for prospective parents. We would love to show you around our happy, thriving school.

We are now eagerly looking forward to Christmas and hopefully being able to share Christmas festivities with our families – Covid19 allowing!



After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." Matthew 2 1-3

The logo for the 48th Gloucester Scouting Group is a purple rectangle. Inside, the text "48th Gloucester Scouting Group" is written in white. To the right of the text is a faint, stylized white outline of a fleur-de-lis, a common symbol in scouting.

48th Gloucester Scouting Group

Based at the Quedgeley Scout and Guide HQ in School Lane, The Quedgeley Scout and Guide Group is made up of the 48th Gloucester Quedgeley (St. James & Kingsway) Scouting comprising of 2 Beaver, 2 Cub and 1 Scout unit and 1st Quedgeley Brownie pack.

The Quedgeley Scout and Guide Group family is an amalgamation of adult volunteer leaders, young people of all genders and their parents. Over 100 young people aged between 6 and 14 years attend weekly meetings where they enjoy a range of activities learning life skills whilst having fun. Making friends, creativity, imagination, problem solving, physicality, spiritual awareness, camping and residential activities fill our yearly program.

Scouting and Guiding is where the dreams and ambitions of many will begin. Membership gives both adults and young people a chance to develop a sense of adventure, opportunities to experience activities that they may not have done otherwise and has a positive impact. Scouting and Guiding helps to build self confidence and independence within our young people. It encourages them that anything is possible if you commit. Gareth Southgate's first taste for football came when playing for his local Cub pack, Tanni Grey-Thompson the holder of 30 world records and winner of six London Marathons has, in her sporting career won, 16 Paralympic medals of which 11 were gold; she speaks fondly of the time she spent in Brownie Guides.

Within the community you are likely to see us parading on Remembrance Sunday to St. James Church or supporting local events such as Quedgeley Show, fun days and more recently the Memorial Service and Parade for Flt Lt Robert Coventry; visiting our local nursing/residential homes at Christmas carol singing to the residents or bag packing to raise funds for other charitable organisations in the area such as the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal .

To be able to offer more young people the opportunity to join Scouting and Guiding within the community, we are looking for adult assistance across all of our Scouting and Guiding units so if you enjoy interacting with young people and have some spare time available to volunteer, we'd like to hear from you. It's easier than you think and you can fit it around your work and social commitments.

If you would like to find out more, catch us on facebook 48th Gloucester Scouting or alternatively email Stuart Merrick, Group Chairman at stuartme@me.com



Theresa - Our Community Champion



Apart from supporting Tea@2 at St James', Theresa from Tesco Quedgeley is as busy as ever - in just over a month or so she has: -

- ◆ Helped to raise over **£13,000** for the **Poppy Appeal**
- ◆ Raised **£217.44** at a **Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Charity**
- ◆ Collected for the **Gloucester Food bank** **282 green trays** of Christmas hampers and food

In the next few weeks make sure you look out at the store for window displays by Field Court Infant School.

Theresa would like to thank everyone in the community who supported her in these activities. She says 'It couldn't have happened without community support. Everyone has been very generous and the various charities will benefit enormously'. But we all know neither could it have happened without Theresa who is an absolute gem. We hope you have a lovely Christmas Theresa and take that well earned rest!



Advent Sunday –2021

Many thanks to Luis who lit the first of our Advent candles. The Church of England has many family activities to choose from throughout Advent log onto <https://www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/what-we-believe/advent-and-christmas/family-activities-advent-calendar>

When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route. Matthew 2 10-12



We are pleased to announce that the Revd. Dr Mark Siddall has been appointed as our new Priest in charge. Fr Mark is currently curate in charge of the Draycot Group of Churches in the Diocese of Bristol, and he has sent us this short message to be shared with you all:

Dear people of St James and St Mary Magdalene, Quedgeley.

We are very excited to be joining you, worshipping with you, and serving the Benefice of Quedgeley alongside you and your team of experienced ministers in your beautiful church. Our children, Daniel and Emily, are excited to be starting a new school and this move will be a big adventure for us all. We already have a very warm impression of you from our visit on the day of the interview and we are looking forward to moving forward together with you. Please remember us in your prayers as we will pray for you and as we all prepare for a new stage in the life of Christ's Church in Quedgeley together.

Your brothers and sisters in Christ - Mark, Erica, Emily, and Daniel.

Fr Mark's appointment is subject to the completion of the statutory HR processes. Bishop Rachel expects to license Fr Mark here at St James' Church in May next year.

Worship at St James in December & January

December

1st 10am Holy Eucharist : St Andrew the Apostle

5th The 2nd Sunday in Advent 10.30am Parish Eucharist

12.30pm Holy Baptism

8th 10am Holy Eucharist: The Blessed Virgin Mary

12th The 3rd Sunday in Advent 10.30am Parish Eucharist

15th 10am Holy Eucharist: St John of the Cross

19th The 4th Sunday in Advent 10.30am Parish Eucharist

6.00pm Carol Service for All

22nd 10am Holy Eucharist: 4th Wednesday in Advent

**24th Christmas Eve 4.00pm Children's Service around the
Christmas Crib**

11.30pm Midnight Mass of the Nativity

25th Christmas Day 10.30am Parish Eucharist

26th St Stephen's Day 10.30am Parish Eucharist

29th 10am Holy Eucharist: The Holy Innocents

January

2nd The Feast of the Epiphany 10.30am Parish Eucharist

5th 10am Holy Eucharist: Wednesday after Epiphany

9th The Baptism of the Lord 10.30am Parish Eucharist

12.30pm Holy Baptism

12th 10am Holy Eucharist: Aelred of Hexham, abbot

16th The 2nd Sunday after Epiphany 10.30am Parish Eucharist

12.30pm Holy Baptism

19th 10am Holy Eucharist: St Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester

23rd The 3rd Sunday after Epiphany 10.3am Parish Eucharist

26th 10am Holy Eucharist: The Conversion of St Paul

30th The 4th Sunday after Epiphany 10.30am Parish Eucharist

Please note:

The parish Carol Service will take place on Sunday 19th December at 6pm. Everyone is most welcome; we shall try to include lots of your favourite carols, and we shall of course hear the Christmas story.

There will be a service especially for children on Christmas Eve at 4.00pm - adults will be welcome too!



From the Registers

In Holy Baptism we welcome into the Church family:

3rd October Percy Jack Locke

10th October Lilly Staria Hiscock

Maisie Kate Hiscock

24th October Dotty Danielle Christina Cheape

31st October Florence May Tyers

7th November Kit David James Sutton-Jennings

By Funerals we commend into God's keeping:

9th November Vincent Mitchell

16th November John Morrison

19th November Britt McIntyre

*We wish you a Happy, peaceful and
healthy Christmas and New Year.
From everyone at Saint James'
Church Quedgeley*



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