



Sunday 5th December

Lord Jesus, Light of the World; the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people in trouble. Give peace in our hearts at Christmastide and show all the world God's love. Amen.

Christianity Explored is a short course designed to help people explore what the Christian faith is all about, and in particular answer three big questions:- Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus come? What does it mean for us? If you are interested in exploring these questions then do join us on our next Christianity Explored Course **beginning on Tuesday 8th February 2022**. To sign up do contact the Church Office. For more info go to www.christianityexplored.org or look out for the info in church and on our website.

Flower Pot Sunday – TODAY

We have an opportunity to contribute towards the cost of the beautiful flower arrangements that decorate our two churches each week. A flowerpot for donations is at the back of church, also there is the Card Reader at the back of St Saviour's, please state that your donation is for this appeal. Thank you.

Little Flames Christmas Story Friday 10th December 11am St Saviour's

Come and join us for an inter-active telling of the Christmas Story. There will be refreshments and activity sheets after the service. We look forward to seeing you there. A short, fun Service especially for the under 5s.

Toy Service - Sunday 12th December 10.30am St Saviour's

Please bring a **NEW** toy (unwrapped) which will help brighten Christmas for a child who would otherwise have no presents. This year the toys are being distributed by Scratch, a Southampton Christian charity working with families in need, providing toys and gifts for children and young people who otherwise might go without presents. This will have been a particularly difficult year for the families receiving the gifts so your generosity is much appreciated.

Traditional Carol Service - Sunday 12th December 6pm St Nicholas'

A traditional Christmas celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. It will be a ticketed event, tickets available from the Church Office, on 624584.

Christingle Making - Thursday 16th December 10.45am St Saviour's Hall
After the Holy Communion Service at St Saviour's come and join us in CAMEO for Christingle making from 10.45am. There will be mince pies for volunteers.

Christingle Service - Saturday 18th December 3pm St Saviour's
An informal service for the young and young at heart. The collection will support the valuable work of The Children's Society.

Contemporary Carol Service – Sunday 19th December 6pm St Saviour's
All are welcome to this festive Carol Service.

Family Crib Service – Christmas Eve 4pm St Saviour's
A family friendly Service including lighting of the Christmas tree.

Midnight Holy Communion - Christmas Eve 11.00pm St John's, Boldre
Please note the change of venue and time for this Service. Booking is required, please phone 01590 673484 or email bsbbchurches@gmail.com

Christmas Wreaths for sale – Saturday 11th December 9am – 1.30pm outside The Terrace, Brookley Road
Please come and buy one, with all profits going to the Gateway Club to help our adult members with learning difficulties. They will cost £8 each. As we cannot accept payment cards, only cash can be taken.

By-Gone Brockenhurst Book Volume 6
If you wish to purchase John Purkess' *By-Gone Brockenhurst* Volume 6 book, together with the earlier editions, please contact either Jane Forrest on 624287 or Janet McDonald on 622144. Books can also be purchased from Pot Pourri, Streets, Co-op or Cards 'n' Candy in Brookley Road. Books cost £5 each. All monies raised go towards church funds.

Christmas Day Lunch
Sadly, our usual Chef is unable to cook for us on Christmas Day this year. However, we are pleased to announce that the **Forest Park Hotel** has most generously offered to provide us with some lunches (free of charge), which we will deliver directly to the homes of those who require them. These Christmas Day lunches are primarily for the elderly or for those who may not have family living locally. It *may* be possible to arrange for these lunches to be taken in the company of one or two others so that no-one need spend this most special of days alone.

If you would like one of these lunches, or know someone who would benefit from having a special lunch on Christmas Day, please phone either Joyce Kolaczowski (623329) or the Church Office (624584) as soon as possible.

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Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.



Please pray for Simon and all those involved in planning the Christmas services

Pray for those who serve at our CAMEO Coffee Mornings and also the 'Film and Tea Afternoons'; and to those who come. Please pray that those who come may enjoy each others' company and fellowship. Pray also for those who serve the refreshments at both events.

Pray for next Sunday's Toy Service. Pray that many people will remember to bring toys & gifts for those families who otherwise would not receive gifts at Christmas. Pray that many will be touched by Jesus' love.

Please pray for all our Pre-School children and staff as they take part in their Christmas Service on Wednesday and for the Nativity Service on Friday at St Saviour's. Pray for all those who come to watch or take part, that they may catch a glimpse of Jesus.

Please pray for Dan Walker & Simone Paulson getting married next Saturday. Pray that this day may be a celebration of their love for each other, and that God may be at the centre of their marriage.

Pray for all who live in Latchmoor and Waters Green Court.

Mission of the Month – New Forest Mencap, Gateway Club. Dear Lord, We pray that you will be with all our members as they come back to Gateway after such a long break. We pray they can cope with the health restrictions and slight changes of meeting together again, and we pray for our new leader Sarah who will lead us forward into 2022.

Year Of The Bible Scripture Readings

This week's readings are:

2 Timothy 3:10 – 4:8

All Scripture is God-breathed

1 Thessalonians 4:13 – 5:11

The Coming of the Lord

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