

ALL SAINTS'



This week's Newsbulletin

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone

Dear Friends,

I am very pleased to say that this Sunday, 13th December, we really are able to return to our church for our main 10.00am Parish Communion Service. We have the risk assessments in place and we continue to be mindful of our own and other people's safety as the infection rates in our tier are not good.

I hope that if you feel able to you will join us to worship together in Church again but please remember that we can only chat to one another outside and then only in numbers of six or less.

Comfort

At Advent, and especially this year, we wait for the kind of comfort that only God can give. It is the comfort spoken tenderly, offered generously, that wraps around our lives, our minds and our spirits. It's not easy to wait, we are so used to fast speeds thanks to technology and rapid transport. But we know that the eternal God waits with us, accompanying us on the journey of our lives.

This third week in Advent we recall John the Baptist. He, like other prophets before him, looked forward to the coming Saviour and yet they needed to live through the time of waiting and anticipation. Life doesn't always go the way we might plan it, but a deep sense of joy can accompany us in our waiting for the great comfort offered to us in the fulfilment of the promise of his glory revealed in Christ.

*Advent God, Be with us in our journeying,
To the stable and beyond.*

Be with us in our waiting,

In our meeting, however distanced,

And in our travelling together.

Be with us in our worship

And in our praying together,

At home or by ourselves or with one another.

Be with us in our waiting,

*And enable us to experience the depth of your
comfort,*

Through Jesus Christ, Amen.

Hertford AllSaints 'WhatsApp' family group

As things have changed and continue to change rapidly we are adding another 'channel' to our communication plan to ensure we get information

to as many people as possible as quickly as possible.

For those who use WhatsApp, this will be a convenient way to access information quickly.

There are 3 ways to join the group:

1. Phone Nerine Chalmers (07535803529)
2. Email with your phone number (njchalmers@gmail.com)
3. Use the following link
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EojbX3Nrnj9BwwfFCxgMu6>

This will open a page with an invitation to join the chat, and also a link to download WhatsApp if you don't already have it.

Services in December (*subject to change – please check on our website nearer the time*) We are still finalising our booking arrangements and will advise as soon as confirmed

Sunday 13th December

10.00 Family Eucharist

Video: prayers and reflection for Advent 3 on the All Saints website/Youtube

Thursday 17th December 11.00 Holy Communion

Sunday 20th December

Video: prayers and reflection for Advent 4

4.00 Messy Church Christmas on **Zoom**

6.30 A Service of Lessons and Choir Carols by Candlelight **Bookable -**

Christmas Eve

4.30 Crib service on **Zoom**

Christmas Day (Friday)

10.00 am Christmas Communion **bookable**

Video: prayers and reflection for Christmas available on the All Saints website

Sunday December 27th

10.00 Service of Morning Prayer on **Zoom**

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