

TRINITY NEWSLETTER 29th November to 3rd December 2023 (Advent begins)

Usual Worship services: On Advent Sunday, 3rd December, the service at 10a.m. will be led by Local Preacher Matthew Stammers. Afterwards there will be a lunch in the downstairs hall to which all are invited. Payment as you are able with any surplus over costs going to the Buildings Fund. On 10th December at 10a.m. our worship will be led by our own Minister, Rev. Canon Jason Vinyard. We rejoice with him as he has been installed as an Ecumenical Canon of the Cathedral and pray for him in his new role. For other Advent & Christmas services see calendar below.

On 10th December at 5.15 at the Cathedral there will be a service prepared by Churches Together in Bury St. Edmunds in which Trinity will be represented – it will consist of carols, readings and testimony and be preceded by refreshments at 4.30. All are welcome to be there to support our fellow Christians in the town and to be witnesses to the meaning of Advent and Christmas.

A reminder that pigeonholes for exchange of correspondence within the Trinity congregation are on the first floor landing. Think – Christmas messages maybe?

It is time to prepare a rota of **readers for 2024**: Phil Colton asks that if anyone who has been on the rota as a reader on Sundays can no longer do this please let him know; if anyone would like to add their name to this list in the coming year also let Phil know. We do appreciate all those whose reading supports our worship week by week. Other rotas will be prepared and a vote of thanks goes to everyone who organises these and to any who regularly help in the many tasks around our life and worship in any way.

Christmas Fair at The Martins MHA, Vinefields, IP33 1YA, Sat. December 9th 10.30- 12. Stalls, Raffle, Coffee & Mince Pies. Please come and help our fund raising for the Amenity Fund and support for the Home. Donation of items for raffle and cake or bottle stalls gladly received (Val Spencer)

House Group meetings: Monday Dec. 11th at 10.30 at Trinity with David & Josie; Tuesday 12th December at 7.30 (Rev. V.Tong); Wednesday Dec. 13th at Trinity at 11 with Rev. Julie and Rev. Val; On Zoom, with Rev. Val – NO Thursday evenings in December but Christmas Get-Together at Sam Grose's on Saturday 16th Dec at 12.30. Restart on Zoom 11th January.

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9th December 10.30 – 12. At THE MARTINS Christmas Fair (see above)

Advent & extra Christmas services:

10 th December	5.15 at The Cathedral - Churches Together service for Advent, see above
17 th December	6 p.m. Carols at Trinity with Rev. Jason
24 th December	3 p.m. Crib Service with Rev. Julie Minns
25 th December	10 a.m. Christmas Day at Trinity; URC and Northumberland Avenue Methodist Church invited; led by Rev. Jason

Let us know if you have any news or items of interest to share: please send details to Josie Keys before Tuesday evenings if possible *** **And for any fund raising ideas or offers of help** ***