Notices

Memory Christmas Tree

The Christmas tree in the entrance is a 'memory' tree where people can remember loved ones who have died and who they will miss at Christmas. If you would like to remember a loved one there are wooden baubles for you to write their names on and then hang on the tree. Future Dates:

Thursday 25th December: 10 am Holy Communion Service led by the Venerable Jenny Tomlinson, Archdeacon of Birmingham. There will be no JAM Club but an activity will be provided for them to do during the service if they would like to. There will be no refreshments after the service.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact the church warden, Georgina Arnold on 0121 458 1590 or 07107214604

In the case of a fire

If there is a fire, please leave the building by the nearest exit, and assemble in the main church car park at the rear of the church. People attending J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) will be taken to the assembly point by their leaders, so please meet them there.

Safeguarding

If there are any safeguarding concerns in or out of the church, please speak to the Parish Safeguarding Officer Chrissie Price

chrissie.price@blueyonder.co.uk

Please note: if you have a concern you should only speak to the safeguarding officer not other members of the congregation, and you must keep your concern private while it is being investigated. Thank you.

St Anne's email: stannewestheath@gmail.com

St Anne's website: www.stannewestheath.org



St Anne's Church West Heath

Notice Sheet

Sunday 14th December 2025 The Third Sunday of Advent



Welcome to St Anne's Church where we strive to be a home to invite everyone into.

To use the induction loop, hearing aids need to be turned to the 'T' position.

Please ensure mobile phones are turned off or are on silent mode.

Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall after the service.

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Readings for this week:

Isaiah 35 1-10, James 5 7-10, Matthew 11 2-11

Readings for next week:

Genesis 3 v 8-14, Isaiah 9 v 2, 6, 7, Micah 5 v 2-4, Luke 1 v 26—38, Luke 2 v 1-7, Luke 2 v 8-16, Matthew 2 v 1-11, John 1 v 1-14

Calendar

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Sunday 14th	11 am	Family Nativity Service.
December	12:30 pm	Bring and Share Lunch in the church hall.
	2 pm	Christmas Concert in Church. Please
		support our choir and recorder group who
		have spent many hours rehearsing.
Monday 15th		
Tuesday 16th	9:15 am –	Little Stars Stay and Play Group meets in the
December	11:15am	main church hall. This activity is free of
		charge as it is a place of warm welcome.
	2:30 pm	St Anne's leads a Christmas Service at
	-	Austin Rose Care Home*.
	evening	Moving Mindfully Tai Chi and Qi Gong
	7pm	Choir rehearsal in church. (TBC)
Wednesday	10:30 am	St Anne's leads a Christmas Service at
17th December		Redhill Court Care Home*.
Thursday 18th	morning	Church buildings being cleaned.
December	9:15 am -	Little Stars Stay and Play Group meets in the
	11:15 am	main church hall.
	10:30 am	Morning Prayer Service in St Francis
		Chapel.
	11:15 —	The Foodbank is open in the George
	11:45 am	Goodger Hall and refreshments are
		available.
Friday 19th	2:30 pm	St Anne's leads a Christmas Service at The
December	-	Limes Care Home*.
Saturday 20th	11:15 —	The Foodbank is open in the George
December	11:45 am	Goodger Hall and refreshments are
		available.
Sunday 21st	10 am	Family Carol Service followed by mince pies,
December		tea and coffee in the church hall.

^{*}If you are available to go to this service and support the singing please speak to Chrissie.

Prayers

Interregnum Prayer

Almighty Father, who in your love has drawn us together as members of your Church in our parish of St. Anne; during this interregnum especially deepen our love for you and strengthen our fellowship one with another. Hear the prayers of your people and send to us the person who shall faithfully and wisely exercise their role as vicar in our parish, to the good of your Church and the glory of your name; though Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Other Prayers

Please pray for those who are not well especially for Malcolm, Bebe, Barbara (Dean's wife), Brenda A, Robert S, Doreen, Polly, Sandra, Dawn, Paulene, Elsie, Chrissie, Joan, Margaret C, Moses and his son and brother, Pam and her family, Dawn's son Joe and his family KT and Tyler, Elsie's mum, Emma and Tom (Chris Clapham's daughter and husband).

If you have a prayer request please speak to Janet Bradley or email her: janet22bradley@gmail.com, or complete a form and put it in the prayer request box in the entrance to the church. All requests will remain on the prayer list for a month unless you request otherwise.

Thought for the Week: Discuss and Confide by Ian Bradley

It is easy to look at others who appear to sail through life without a faith crisis or even a hiccup. But there is always at least one fact in any person's life that is not known by anyone else.

Those who seem untroubled may be hiding real soul-searching or tragedy, and we should not be too quick to judge by appearances. No one's faith was ever the worse by being shared.

Let us work towards demolishing the 'stiff upper lip', by knowing best when to discuss or confide.