

**Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of
Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe**



**Sunday 16th November 2025 -
Second Sunday Before Advent/Safeguarding Sunday**

Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!

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Collect; Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING; 1 John 3: 16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers and sisters. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us, for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God, and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING; Matthew 22: 34-40

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “ ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ

Post communion prayer; Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

What’s on in our parish?

Informal Evening Service: Join us every Sunday evening at Newport Minster for our new service, starting at 6:30 pm. Come early to enjoy coffee and community before we begin. Each week we gather for a night of worship, prayer, and the Word. All are welcome – we’d love to see you there!

Morning Prayer at The Minster: Monday-Friday at 8.30am. All welcome.

The Minster Knitters group: Will be meeting every Monday, 11am-12.30pm in the Minster Café. All are welcome to come along for a knit/crochet and a natter with Ruth.

Play café: Has spaces available for pre-school children at the Minster on Tuesday mornings from 10.30am-noon. Play café will be open during the school holidays, older siblings are welcome.

Parson’s Pantry: Wednesday mornings, 10-12 noon in Carisbrooke Church Hall. Enjoy a chat over tea, coffee and cake. All welcome.

St. John's Midweek Service: Takes place on Wednesday at 11am. This week the service is Morning Prayer.

St. John's Lunch Club: Every Wed, 11.45am-1pm in St John's Church Hall. £4.50 per person. To book a place, please contact Di Hayman on 07901 553674.

Minster Memory Café: Autumn Timetable is now out and can be found at the back of church for anyone who might enjoy coming along or wanting to find out more.

Food Bank: At St. John's Church Hall from 2-4pm every Wed and Fri afternoon.

Singing for Fun: In the Parish Centre, Wednesday evening at 7pm. All welcome.

Minster Volunteers: We need your help! We have a lot of events and services coming up in Newport Minster over the Christmas period and we need a few more helpers to help welcome guests. Would you be able to volunteer and spare a few hours over the Christmas period to help? If so please speak to a member of the clergy, email cec@cofeheartofwight.org or phone 01983 559257.

Coriolanus by Candlelight: Ad Lib Theatre presents William Shakespeare's Coriolanus in Newport Minster. 28th and 29th November at 7pm and on 30th November at 4.30pm. £10 adult/£8 student. Tickets available from ticketsource.co.uk/ad-lib-theatre.

St. John's Christmas Fayre: Saturday 29th November, 10am-2pm, held in St. John's church hall. All welcome.

Darkness to Light Service: Sunday 30th November at 6.30pm. One service will be held at St. John's and the other at St. Mary's.

The Royal Foundation Christmas Carol Service: Will be happening on Friday 12th December at 6pm in Newport Minster. This will be a fun-filled Carol service that we will be hosting on behalf of the Lord Lieutenant. All are welcome to come along.

Christmas service leaflets: Are now available at the back of church - please do take one for yourself and also some to invite friends and family. It would be lovely to see our churches full over the Christmas season.