



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 7 DECEMBER 2025

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The deadline for notices for the Sunday sheet is Wednesday at 12.00 noon

WELCOME TO OUR INCLUSIVE CHURCH FAMILY

StM&AA's is a member of the Inclusive Church network. We are a church where people are called to come together to explore the mystery of God's love. All of us, without exception, are called by God. A special welcome to all visitors and newcomers. If new, please make sure you pick up a *Welcome Pack* before you leave

LESSONS AND CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday 14th December, 6.30pm. All welcome.

FOODBANK NEWS

Thanks to all who have so generously contributed to the Food Bank collections at StM&AA's this past year. The first collection of the New Year will take place on Thursday 8th January (NOT 1st January). From February the collection will revert back to the 1st Thursday as normal.

ECO CHURCH LIFESTYLERS TIPS FOR DECEMBER

Turn down your heating thermostat by a degree, if you are able, and close your curtains in the evenings
 Get creative: make decorations for Christmas e.g. <https://www.countryliving.com/diy-crafts/g1070/easy-to-make-christmas-ornament-crafts/>

'HOPE AMONG THE RUBBLE'

Expectation, hope, yearning for change, a deep desire for a better world... These are all words or phrases we'd use to describe the period of Advent. This is a new online Advent Course from the Oxford Diocese.

<https://www.oxford.anglican.org/news/lament-hope-and-yearning-.php>

THURSDAY MORNING BOOK GROUP

A book has been chosen for the Advent Season: Maria Boulding, *The Coming of God*. First published in 2001, this text has become known as a modern classic. Thurs 10am

PLEASE JOIN OUR SCRATCH CHOIR FOR CAROL SINGING

GreenGates Nursing Home, Hernes Road - Mon 15 Dec 6.30pm. We will be singing in the corridors, this allows as many residents as possible to hear the carols and maybe make a request. Elizabeth Nuffield Home, Moreton Road- Tues 16 December 3pm. The 'service' of lessons & carols will take place in the dining room

GETTING TOGETHER

On Wed 17th Dec we're inviting members of our community, including our Ukrainian friends, our Monday evening guests, volunteers and members of the congregation, to share a (free) Christmas lunch. You can come and go at any time between 13-14.30 during which lunch will be served. If you would like to come, and we hope you will, please let Michael, Emma or Graham know, so that we have a good idea of numbers



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WHY I LIKE ST MICHAEL'S

Some recent comments from those in the know!

"... jobs for all who want them – and no cliques!"

SUNDAYS

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

1st Sunday of the month:

All-Age Family Eucharist

2nd Sunday of the month:

Sung Eucharist from the High Altar, including the ministry of healing

6.30pm Taizé

In the Lady Chapel

WEEKDAYS

9.00 am Morning Prayer

In the Lady Chapel

Choir Practice

Thursdays 6.30-7.45pm

Contact Duncan Saunderson

dsdsanderson@googlemail.com

Men's Breakfast

1st Saturday of the month

Contact Steve Hunter - 01865 552475

FOR CHILDREN

Godly Play

Every 3rd Sunday of the month for primary school-age children

St Michael's Choristers Age 3+

practise Thursdays in church

in term-time at 5.30 pm and sing on the

1st Sunday of the month

Contact Alice - 07791 328108

Baby & Toddler Group

Tuesdays 10.00 - 12.00 noon

Play for children and chat for carers

Contact Juliet - 01865 552640

FOR STUDY

The CATechesis Group

An occasional meeting by Zoom for study and conversation

Book Group

Meets during various seasons on Thursdays at 10am in the Threshold



PLEASE STAY FOR COFFEE & VISIT OUR
 FAIRTRADE STALL AFTER THE 10AM SERVICE

