



## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 30 NOVEMBER 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

### ECO CHURCH LIFESTYLERS TIPS FOR NOVEMBER

Reconsider your paved-over areas outside your home to reduce your risk of flooding: install permeable paving or beds for vegetables, herbs or fruit trees.-

### ADVENT SUNDAY: PARTNERSHIP LESSONS & CAROLS

This year we St Peter's Wolvercote will host on Sun 30 Nov, 6.30pm. This is a special partnership event. Please do support this service. Mulled wine and nibbles served

### '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. Please register now, available from 30th Nov

### 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. It begins, "God creates in human hearts a huge desire and a sense of need, because he wants to fill them with the gift of himself." The book is available to buy second-hand at various online stores. Thursday 10am

### TOWARDS TOMORROW'S CHURCH

This is the replacement title for the Gambit process. We are preparing for an away day on 28 Feb 2026 to discuss and decide upon the future direction of our church. Please book this date in your diary. Details about locations and timings will be published nearer the time

### 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!*

"... a strong sense of community shaped by the love for God and neighbour"

## 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](mailto: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

